



EAGLE'S EYE



SKYCREST ELEMENTARY NEWS

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Mission

Educate and prepare students for college, career and life.

A Message from Administration

Dear Skycrest Families,

We continue to soar! During the first quarter of this school year, our students have already accomplished so much. Students have adjusted to their new grade levels and are charging ahead with their learning. We are excited for students to prove how much they have learned when they take Progress Monitoring 2 in December. As the principal, I continue to be amazed at the work both our staff and students do every day. As we are working hard in school, we need your help at home. Below are important things you can do at home to help your child be successful:

- Attendance-Being in school every day is especially important. Students need to be in school, arrive on time, and stay all day. The Skycrest CST (Child Study Team) will be contacting families who need support.
- Discussion- Please talk to your child about what is going on in school. Ask your child about Dreambox lessons, I-Station work, what his/her reading level is, and what goals are for the end of the year. These are questions students should be asked often and they should be able to talk about.
- Student Engagement: Students who are actively engaged in lessons learn more. Ask your child questions about lessons and encourage him/her to participate and work hard each day.
- Student Progress: Parent/Guardians need to be aware of how their child is doing. If you do not have access to your child's Focus Portal, reach out to the office to help you get connected. Utilize the student planner or class folder to maintain daily communication with the classroom teacher.
- Get Involved: We would love to have you involved at Skycrest. Joining PTA is the first step. By becoming a member, your \$7 dues go to support all the PTA activities at Skycrest. You can become more involved by attending our PTA and School Advisory Council (SAC) meetings. This allows your voice to be heard on the various school issues that are discussed. Volunteering is another fantastic way to be a part of your child's school. Stop by the front office if this interests you.

November is a wonderful month to express thanks. I personally want to thank the entire Skycrest Community for welcoming me into this impressive family. The love and support that is genuinely given to our students every day, is inspiring.

It is great to be a Skycrest Eagle! Keep Soaring!

Mrs. Caparaso

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Dates to Remember

- 11/01 Food Drive Begins
- 11/10 Veteran's Assembly
- 11/16 Great American Teach-In
- 11/16 Parent Meeting 7 Habits, 6:00 p.m.
- 11/21-25 Thanksgiving Break
- 11/30 International Café, 8:45 a.m., Media Center

School Guidelines

Remember the expectations of the whole school are S.O.A.R.

- Safe
- On Task
- Accountable
- Respectful

International Café

Attention Spanish-Speaking Families,

Please join us at our monthly **International Café on Wednesday, November 30th at 8:45am in the Media Center**. This meeting is held in Spanish and each month, we discuss different topics such as academics and community resources. It's a great way to meet other parents, learn what is going on at Skycrest Elementary, and hear about resources available in our Skycrest/Clearwater neighborhood.

The meeting takes place while your student is in class, but younger children are welcome. Join us for some coffee and cookies and helpful information. Hope to see you there!

Skycrest Uniform Closet

Our uniform closet is very low on medium sizes that we loan to students. We are kindly asking for donations of gently used tops and bottoms.

Thank you!

Uniform Policy

Shirts may be

- Polo style, crew neck T-shirts, or Skycrest t-shirts
- **Colors:** red, forest green, navy, light blue or white

No hoodies allowed - crew neck sweatshirts (no pockets) allowed with the colors above

Bottoms may be

- pants, shorts, skirts or skorts (must be mid-thigh length or longer)
- **Colors:** khaki, black or navy blue. Neat **dark blue** denim jeans (no holes) are allowed
- **No** denim shorts, skirts or skorts
- **No** leggings

Health Tips!

As we enter the time of year when respiratory illness becomes more prevalent, please remember these health tips:

- Wash your hands often with **soap and water** for 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact such as kissing, hugging, and sharing cups or eating utensils with people who are sick.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or shirt sleeve - NOT with your hands.
- Clean and disinfect all frequently touched surfaces, such as toys and doorknobs. Increase the frequency of cleaning if someone is sick.
- **Stay home when you are sick or if there are signs of illness.** This is the best way to prevent the spread of illnesses.

Following these tips can help to slow the spread of many illnesses - common cold, flu, enterovirus, and other pathogens that can lead to disease.

If you have any further questions, please contact School Health Services at 727-588-6320. Thank you!

Volunteers

We need you more than ever!

Become a volunteer and help your child's school. Past volunteers will have to reactivate in the system.

Please go to <https://focus.pcsb.org/volunteer> to apply. For assistance contact Ms. Flores at 727-469-5987.



www.pcsb.org/safetyconcern

Salvation Army Canned Food Drive

Did you know in 2021, The Salvation Army was able to provide **12,735** households with food baskets to those in need within our community?

Skycrest Elementary is supporting The Salvation Army annual food drive by collecting non-perishable food items from November 1st - November 11th.

Please help us support The Salvation Army by sending any non-perishable food items to school. These items will go into their food pantry and feed those in need within our community throughout the entire year, and we can't do it without your help!

Suggested Non-Perishable Food Items:

Boxed desserts	Pasta sauce
Pasta	Canned meats
Soup	Dry Cereal
Rice	Canned fruit
Powdered drinks	Canned vegetables
Peanut butter	

Dentistry

A huge thank you to our community partnership with Bee Dentistry for supporting Skycrest PTA!

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