



# 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,

The school year is just flying by. Skycrest students are growing and learning every day, and we are so proud to be a part of their educational experience. Each year, the work we do in elementary school increases in rigor. Your children and the Skycrest staff have proven to be up for the challenge to work toward a school grade of an "A". It is inspiring to watch as your children work hard to learn at high levels and build success in the school setting.

Our Skycrest family continues to grow. Due to the increase of enrollment, we have added two new classrooms. We have added Ms. Bruggeman as a new third grade teaching unit and Ms. Washburn as a new Kindergarten unit. We are thrilled to have these very competent teachers join the Skycrest staff as we work to support children in the learning environment.

Thank you to all the families that participated in the *Color Run* on September 27<sup>th</sup>. The children had a great time and the funds raised help to pay for needs for classroom teachers. Our PTA is a very hard working group of teachers and parents. Thank you, as always for your support.

Each year, our 5th graders do an individual Science Fair project and all other grades do group or class projects. This supports the science curriculum and provides authentic experience in using the scientific method. Students have been the process in class working toward this project. Mark your calendar for our first STEM night on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> - more information will be coming home soon.

Parents, we understand dropping your child(ren) off in the morning can be a daunting task. However, we need your cooperation with procedures in the car circles and in the parking lots. It is very important for you NOT to pass any cars or buses - we have students exiting and entering into vehicles and we do not want anyone to get hurt. It is also important for you NOT to drop off your child on the street to enter into the school - please come through the car circle to drop off. Remember, school gates open at 8:15 a.m. and close at 8:45 a.m. and open at 2:50 p.m. and close at 3:10 p.m. - please be prompt when picking up your child.

Our before and after school programs will begin October 1<sup>st</sup> - your child will receive an invitation for certain programs.

With children in mind,  
Mrs. Pier - Assistant Principal

### Dates to Remember

- 10/10 International Café, 8:45AM  
Media Center
- 10/11 End of First Quarter
- 10/14 **No Student Day - Teacher/  
Student Conferences**
- 10/16 SAC, 3:15PM-4:00PM, Media Center
- 10/21 Red Ribbon Week
- 10/22 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra
- 10/25 Picture Retake (Uniform Only)
- 10/25 PTA/SAC, 5:00PM-6:00PM, Kona Ice
- 10/25 Trunk-or-Treat, 6:00PM-7:00PM
- 10/29 Report Cards come home

### School Guidelines

Remember Skycrest Students to always:

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Safe
- Be an Active Learner

### Spirit Week

Red Ribbon Spirit week will be October 21st through October 25th. Red Ribbon Week is an annual recognition of the importance of positive choices to live a healthy drug-free life. Students will receive a red ribbon and will be able to participate in a variety of activities to support a healthy life style.

## Enterprise Village Volunteers Needed

We are in need of 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents to volunteer this year on October 10<sup>th</sup> for the Enterprise Village field trip.

If you are interested, please contact your child's teacher or Mrs. Paulk in the front office, phone (727) 469-5987.

## Title I Annual Missed Meeting Notification

Date: 9/05/2019

Dear Parents:

We missed you at our Title I Annual Meeting. During our Title I Annual Meeting we discussed the following: Parent-School Compact, our school's and LEA Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP), Title I budget, academic expectations, assessments, Title I Parent's Right to Know, and the Title I Program.

We look forward to meeting you at future school events. Please call 727-469-5987, if you have any questions or concerns regarding our school or our Title I Program.

Sincerely,

Michelle Ladd  
MTSS Coach

## Title I News

Our 2019-2020 Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) has been approved and published. You may view this document in our school's Family Resource Center Notebook located in the Skycrest Family Resource Center in the lobby of our school.

The Title I Annual Meeting was held at our Open House on September 5, 2019. If you were unable to attend this very important meeting and would like information about this meeting, please view our school's website at <http://www.pcsb.org/skycrest-es> or visit the Family Resource Center located in the front office. If you have any questions regarding this meeting, please feel free to contact Mrs. Ladd at 727-469-5987 or drop by our office.

## Title I Needs You!

Every Title I school must have a parent volunteer to be a member of the Parent Advisory Council (PAC). This only requires attending two meetings a year and then reporting back to our SAC meetings.

Please contact Michelle Ladd at 469-5987, if you are interested.

## Library News

Top 6 tips to help children enjoy reading

1. Make books a part of family life.
2. Join your local library.
3. Read about something they're interested in.
4. Read whenever you get the chance.
5. Read favorites again and again.
6. Enjoy bedtime stories.

## Modified Dress Code

Skycrest has the following modified dress code. This dress code supports the Pinellas County District strategic plan to promote student achievement.

- Dark blue, light blue, white or hunter green tops (crew neck or polo style)
- Khaki or navy blue bottoms (includes plain, dark blue jeans, neat in appearance, no holes/tears, **no denim shorts**)
- Socks and tights must be school colors

If assistance is needed meeting the dress code requirements please contact the "Clothes to Kids" organization at 727-441-5050 or the school office.

## BOO!

### **Halloween At the Y Clearwater YMCA**

Join us for:

- A Haunted House
- Games and prizes
- Bounce House
- Candy
- & much more

**When:** Thursday, Oct. 24

**Time:** 6-8:30pm Full Members

6:30-8:30pm Open to the Community

**Price:** \$3 per family. All proceeds benefit our Teen Leaders

**Where:** Clearwater YMCA

1005 S. Highland Avenue, Clearwater  
727-461-9622



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