

# 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,

As we enter November, let me take a moment to acknowledge how grateful I am for our incredible Skycrest family. I feel truly blessed to work where I am surrounded by the most dedicated teachers, amazing students, a kind and caring faculty, and supportive families. We all want what is best for our students and I am thankful for all the efforts put forth by everyone collectively to achieve success and growth. I hope during this time of year you will all reflect and give thanks for all that is good in your lives.

As we approach the holiday season and time off from school during Thanksgiving Break and soon thereafter the Winter Break, please use this time to keep your child reading at home, playing math games, and logging in to Dreambox, iStation, and MyON! We will have some challenges and incentives for students who continue to learn at home during these breaks. Thank you for your continued support!

GO EAGLES!!!

Eliza Defant Principal Skycrest Elementary (727) 469-5987



# Dates to Remember

11/05 Picture Retakes, Uniform only

11/17 Great American Teach-In

11/18 Color Run, 4-6:00PM

11/19 Can Food Pick-up

11/22-26 Thanksgiving Break

# School Guidelines

Remember Skycrest school-wide expectations are S.A.R.R.

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

### <u>International Café</u>

Attention Spanish-Speaking Families,

Please join us at our monthly International Café on Thursday, November 18th 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!



www.pcsb.org/safetyconcern

#### Salvation Army Canned Food Drive

Skycrest Elementary is supporting those in need in our community by participating in the Annual Salvation Army Canned Food Drive. During the month of November, classrooms will be collecting nonperishable food items including pasta sauce, canned meals, dry cereal, canned fruit, canned vegetables, peanut butter, boxed desserts, pastas, soups, rice, powdered drinks, and rice.

Donations may be sent in with your child. Thank you for partnering with us to make a difference in our community.

#### 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, skorts or skirts
- Socks and tights must be school colors
- Closed-toe shoes

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

## Skycrest Uniform Closet

Our uniform closet is very low on uniforms that we loan to students - <u>especially smaller sizes</u>. We are kindly asking for donations of gently used tops and bottoms in all sizes. Thank you!

#### Stay Informed

Parents, please take a few minutes to sign into your parent account through the Student Reservation System to update your phone number, and/or address. Important Skycrest and Pinellas County updates are automatically sent to the phone number listed in Focus. Calls made include: when school closes due to weather, events, and student absences.

- Website: <a href="http://reservation.pcsb.org">http://reservation.pcsb.org</a>
- Username: p. last name first initial (i.e. John Smith = p.smithj)
- Select "Change phone and email address only"
- For issues with your password please contact the front office of the school.

Have you moved? If you have updated your address in the Student Reservation System, it has to be verified at your child's school. Please come to the office and submit the required two documents. Acceptable documents include; a lease, closing document, tax statement, or a utility bill for power, water, cable, sewer or land-based telephone, (not a cell phone).

#### Early Releases

Early student release must occur before 2:00PM with prior notice to the teacher and front office.

Students will be dismissed at 2:55PM to their designated pick-up areas.

Between 2:00PM and 2:55PM, teachers are still instructing students. It disrupts end of day procedures for the teachers and front office.

#### Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers for our Annual Color Run on Thursday, November the 18<sup>th</sup>.

If you are interested, please contact Ms. Miriam in the front office at (727) 469-5987.