



# EAGLE'S EYE



## SKYCREST ELEMENTARY NEWS

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### *Mission*

Educate and prepare students for college, career and life.

### A Message from Administration

Skycrest Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year, the year of Soaring Leaders! Throughout the year we will be sharing information about the 7 Habits of Happy Kids from the Leader In Me framework. Our goal is to empower all students to be leaders in and out of school. I encourage you to discuss these habits with your children and adopt the habits at home as well. Please visit the Skycrest website to find out more information about what it means to be a Leader In Me school.

We invite you to become more involved in your child's education and the Skycrest Elementary community. Consider joining PTA, volunteering at school events and /or joining the School Advisory Council. Important dates and information will be shared on the school website and the Skycrest Facebook page. Please visit them often to stay up to date on all the happenings at Skycrest. We hope you will join us in creating a community of leaders!

We appreciate your support. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the school at 727-469-5987.

Mrs. Caparaso  
Principal  
Skycrest Elementary  
(727) 469-5987



### Dates to Remember

- 09/05 No School, Labor Day
- 09/12 Mid-reports go home
- 09/13 PTA Board Meeting
- 09/14 Conference Night, 4:00-6:00PM
- 09/28 International Café, 8:45AM, Media Center
- 09/30 Color Run



[www.pcsb.org/safetyconcern](http://www.pcsb.org/safetyconcern)

### School Guidelines

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

- Be Safe
- Be on Task
- Be Accountable
- Be Respectful

### Celebrations

Student birthdays can be celebrated but without any food - parents can send in goodie bags or a small pencil/trinket in place of cupcakes. No balloons or food are to be delivered to the front office for a student.

Two class parties are allowed during the school year, usually Winter Break and Valentine's Day.

## What is a Title I School?

Title I schools receive federal dollars to fund the following:

- **Personnel** to help students succeed. At Skycrest, we have a fulltime reading interventionist, a full-time Social Worker, a full-time multi-tiered systems support coach and a part-time reading coach.
- **Academic workshops/family nights** - Literacy night, STEM night, FSA/Middle School information night, and the Art and Student Showcase are offered to students and their families. We provide families with free books and the opportunity to learn strategies to help their children to be better readers, mathematicians, and scientists.
- **Materials for students** - Title I provides students with **planners and compacts**. In addition, money is spent to refurbish classroom libraries, purchase culturally relevant books for teachers to use in their classrooms and buy instructional materials needed to meet the needs of our students.
- **Professional Development** for staff members including a stipend to be paid to all staff who participate in school-based trainings after school. At Skycrest, we will be offering a book study to build teachers capacity in parent engagement. As well as, working with instructional staff after school hours to delve deep into our student data and ELA standards plan focused instruction to meet the needs of our students.
- Provide **intervention kits** to remediate and enhance reading skills for all students. (LLI, SRA, Elements of Phonics, Elements of Vocabulary, are some we utilize.
- **Promise Time program/ELP program** - after school tutoring program. Materials and funds for salaries were provided during the 2022-2023 school year. (Examples - Promise time tutoring groups, and Reading/Math Tutoring)

## Title I News

Our 2022-2023 Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) has been approved and published. You may view this document in our school's Title I Resource Notebook located in the in the front office of our school as well as Skycrest website.

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 Amber Molinaro at 469-5987, if you are interested.

## Uniform Policy

Shirts may be

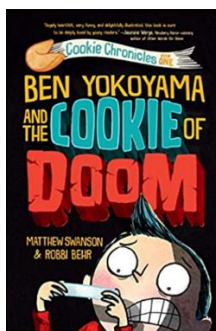
- Polo style, crew neck T-shirts, or Skycrest t-shirts
- **Colors:** red, forest green, navy, light blue or white

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

Bottoms may be

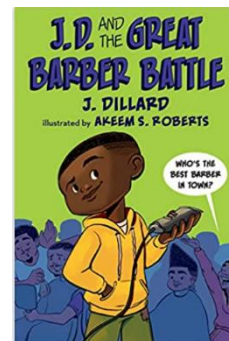
- pants, shorts, skirts or skorts (must be mid-high length or longer)
- **Colors:** khaki, black or navy blue. Neat **dark blue** denim jeans (no holes) are allowed
- **No** denim shorts, skirts or skorts
- **No** leggings

## Readers Are Leaders - Boys Read Book Club



Calling all 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys who want to crush this year's Battle for the Boys Read Book Club!!

If you want to "level-up" your reading game, eat snacks and hang out with friends - this book club is for YOU! Stay tuned for more information.



## International Café

### Attention Spanish-Speaking Families

Please join us for our first **International Café on Wednesday, September 28th at 8:45am in the Media Center**. This meeting is held in Spanish and held monthly. 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. We also want to hear from you what topics you would like to see presented. Skycrest is A Leader in Me School this year, come learn about what this means. The meeting takes place while your student is in class, but younger children are welcome. Join us for some coffee and helpful information. Hope to see you there! **For planning, below are the dates for the rest of the school year (all meetings begin at 8:45am).**

**October 26<sup>th</sup>, November 30<sup>th</sup>, January 25<sup>th</sup>, March 29<sup>th</sup>, and April 26<sup>th</sup>**

## Attention 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents

The students in 5<sup>th</sup> Grade will be attending an all-day field trip to Enterprise Village on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

We need parent volunteers to help work the different businesses with the students at Enterprise Village. We need at least 20 volunteers. You must register online to become a volunteer. **Even if you volunteered last year, you still need to update the information online.** Go to <https://www.pcsb.org> and click on the Community tab and look for Volunteering under the Get Engaged heading to complete the form online. Please note it takes 10-14 business days to be approved. If you have any questions, contact the front office at 727-4695-987.

## Skycrest Student Services

Did you know Skycrest Elementary has a school social worker, a school psychologist, and a school counselor?

We are here to support your child's academic, social emotional/behavioral, and attendance needs. You can reach us by calling Skycrest Elementary School at (727) 469-5987.

We look forward to an amazing year!



There are two important steps to ensure the health and safety of your child.

Please make sure your contact information is updated in Focus and you fill out your school's Clinic Card.

- Pinellas County Schools needs accurate contact information to call and email you about emergencies, health updates and severe weather.
- Your school needs your child's Clinic Card to ensure they have emergency contact info and up-to-date information about your child's health.

Both steps are important to ensure your child's health and safety. If you need help with either process, please contact your school.