





SKYCREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

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Mission

Educate and prepare students for college, a career, and life

A Message from the Administration

Dear Skycrest Families,

Skycrest students are growing and learning every day, and we are so proud to be a part of their educational experience. They have already completed their first progress monitoring test to show what standards they know and will learn throughout the year. We hope you have already taken time to meet with your child's teacher and discuss his/her growth. Each year, the work we do in elementary school increases in rigor and your child is up for the challenge. It is inspiring to watch as your child works hard to learn at high levels and build success in the school setting.

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.

With children in mind, Mrs. Pier – Assistant Principal

Dates to remember

10/12 Spirit Night@ Tijuana Flats, 5:00-8:00PM 10/14 Color Run & Picture Retake Day 10/17 No school for students 10/24-28 Red Ribbon Week 10/26 Internacional Café, 8:45AM, Media Center 10/27 Report Cards 10/31 Costume Parade, Book Character Day 10/31 Trunk and Treat, 4:00-5:00PM

School Guidelines

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

- Safe
- On Task
- Accountable
- Respectful

Safety

Please continue to support us in ensuring student safety by dropping your student off no earlier than 8:15 a.m., driving slowly, utilizing our car circle loops with your car tags clearly visible, signing in your child if he/she arrive to school after 8:45 a.m. in the front office, and keeping your child home if he/she is sick.

With your continued support, we can ensure our students and staff are safe. As always, if you have any questions, please call during our office hours from 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Attendance

Regular school attendance is essential for student success, even beginning in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. Missing a day or two every few weeks can cause children to fall behind. Children do not do as well in school when they frequently miss part of or an entire school day.

It is the parent's responsibility to contact the school to report an absence. You can do so by either calling 727-469-5987 or emailing Ms. Vega at vegafaisonz@pcsb.org. Thank you.

<u>Rainy Day Plan</u>

Parents, please have a Plan B on how your child is going home when there is a change of weather.

<u>Contacts</u>

Parents, please report any changes of student contacts to the office, this includes address or phone number changes. You may come into the school with your ID for assistance. Thank you.

Early Releases

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

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

Between 2:00p.m. and 2:55p.m., teachers are still instructing students. It disrupts end of day procedures for the teachers and front office when students leave early.

Art News from Miss Ganthier



<u>International Café</u>

Attention Spanish-Speaking Families,

Please join us at our monthly **International Café on Wednesday**, **October 26th 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. Please view the Skycrest website for a video on more information about International Café. Hope to see you there!

Uniform Policy

Shirts may be

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

<u>No hoodies allowed - crew neck sweatshirts (no pockets) allowed with the colors above</u>

Bottoms may be

- pants, shorts, skirts or skorts (must be midthigh length or longer)
- <u>Colors</u>: khaki, black or navy blue. Neat dark blue denim jeans (no holes) are allowed
- No denim shorts, skirts or skorts
- No leggings



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Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week will be October 24th through October 28th. 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 lifestyle.