

Greenwood Elementary

PTA Newsletter

December 2017

Home of the Gators

Principal's Corner

November is a month of thanksgiving and expressing gratitude. I'd like to share some of the things that I am grateful for as the principal of Greenwood Elementary:

- Our students are incredible. I am amazed at their effort in all aspects of their learning. They understand that to "FAIL" at something is simply to make a "First Attempt In Learning" and that failure can be a valuable growing experience.
- The parents, families, and community members who support our school are phenomenal. We are so grateful for the learning support that our students receive in your homes as well as the help that is offered throughout the day by volunteers in our classrooms.
- Teachers and staff at Greenwood are exemplary. It's clear that the adults in our school understand that we are all part of the same team and that we have a responsibility to impact the learning of every student regardless of our official job title.

As the temperature gets colder and colder, please help your children dress appropriately for the weather. Movement and play is an essential part of each day at school and with that in mind, we will send our students outside to recess as often as possible. If the temperature is above 20 degrees, the air quality is healthy, and it is not excessively raining or snowing then we will give the students the opportunity to have an outside recess.

Thank you for all that you do to support the learners at Greenwood. I love being a Gator, and I love working with your students.

With gratitude,
Mr. Killpack

PTA President's Message September 2016

Our Reflections Awards assembly was wonderful! Many students were recognized for their outstanding entries. Congratulations to all who participated. We are excited that Eden Asp's literature entry will be moving on to the District level for judging.

We loved seeing so many of our Greenwood families at the Classic Skate night and Chick-Fil-A spirit night. In December, we will have another Zupa's spirit night.

We have received a large order of school T-Shirts and sweatshirts. These will be available for purchase in the office. Wear them on Fridays to show your school pride!

Keep sending in your Boxtops! We are working to earn enough money to buy soccer goals for the school.

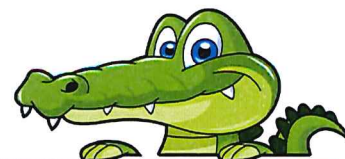
In December we look forward to the Santa Shop! Students and families may shop before and after school to find presents for their family members. We will need volunteers to help make this happen – look for the sign-up genius email to help us out.

We will not be holding a PTA meeting in December.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday season!

We're on Facebook
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Greenwood Gators

**For updates and
our school calendar
visit our website:**
Greenwood.alpineschools.org



We always need volunteers!
Email: ptagreenwood@gmail.com
for more information!

BOX TOPS CONTEST!!

Students and Parents:

For our boxtop contest this month, we have some exciting plans! The class that brings in the most boxtops for each grade wins a hot chocolate and candy cane party!

In addition, if EVERY class brings in at least 100 boxtops, Mr. Killpack is going to sing a solo for us at the student Christmas Sing performance! We are so excited to hear that!

Keep the boxtops coming! They add up fast!

What's Happening?

- 12/1 & 12/2 – 6th Grade Field Trip to the Space Center
- 12/2 @ 2:15pm – NOVA Graduation
- 12/4 – 4th Grade Zion's Bank Ornament field trip and caroling.
- 12/5 – 1st Grade pinatas
- 12/6 – Zupa's Spirit Night
- 12/8 – 4th Graders Museum on the Move
- 12/12-16 – PTA: Santa's Secret Shop
- 12/21 – Christmas Sing: There will be two performances (10am/2pm)
- 12/22 – Last day of school for 2016
- 12/23-1/2 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY
BREAK NO SCHOOL!
- 1/3/17 – School resumes



CHRISTMAS SING

Wednesday, December 21st

10am Last names A-M
and AM Kinder/PreK

2pm Last names O-Z
and PM Kinder/PreK



ZUPA'S SPIRIT NIGHT

Join us for this month's spirit night! We will be at Zupa's from 5:30-8:30pm on December 6th.

Bring your families and enjoy a great meal while supporting our school. Be on the lookout; you might just see your favorite teachers there too!



SANTA'S SECRET S·H·O·P

...is coming to our school

December 13th - 16th
Before and After School
On the Stage

Hosted by the PTA

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DECEMBER



LUNES



- 5
- Galleta holandesa con Huevos revueltos
- Sándwich de empanada de pollo
- Patty de hashbrown
- Bolsa de verduras
- Copa de fresa

- 12
- Mini Corndogs
- Sándwich de empanada de pollo
- Rodajas de papa
- Duraznos en cubitos
- Bolsa de verduras

- 19
- Torrijas de canela
- Sándwich de empanada de pollo
- Patty de hashbrown
- Postre de mezcla de la baya
- Bolsa de verduras

26
Vacaciones - no hay clases

MARTES

- 6
- Pizza de pepperoni o Pizza de queso
- Sandwich de cerdo costilla-A-Que
- Habas cocidas al horno
- Piñano
- Compota de manzana
- Bolsa de verduras

- 13
- Pizza de pepperoni o Pizza de queso
- Sándwich de cerdo Barbacoa
- Habas cocidas al horno
- Juicy Juice Berry
- Bolsa de verduras

- 20
- Pizza de pepperoni o Pizza de queso
- Sandwich de cerdo costilla-A-Que
- Habas cocidas al horno
- Peras
- Duraznos en cubitos
- Bolsa de verduras

27
Vacaciones - no hay clases

MIÉRCOLES

- 7
- Bites de pollo
- Hot Dog
- Rodajas de papa
- Ensalada



- 14
- Ofertas de pollo
- Deli sándwich
- Mac y queso
- Ensalada
- Copa de fresa



- 21
- Pollo naranja con Arroz al vapor
- Hot Dog
- Galleta con chispas de chocolate
- Ensalada
- Copa de fresa

28
Vacaciones - no hay clases

JUEVES

- 1
- Tazón de pollo alpestre con Rollo de cena
- Hamburguesa
- Bolsa de verduras
- Maíz



- 8
- Muslo de pollo con Puré de papas
- Salsa de pollo & Rollo de cena
- Hamburguesa
- Bolsa de verduras
- Ejotes

- 15
- Pavo en rodajas gruesa con Puré de papas
- Salsa de pavo & Rollo de cena
- Hamburguesa
- Ejotes
- Bolsa de verduras

- 22
- Muslo de pollo con Puré de papas
- Salsa de pollo & Rollo de cena
- Hamburguesa
- Ejotes
- Bolsa de verduras

29
Vacaciones - no hay clases

VIERNES

- 2
- Sopa de taco con Chips al horno primicias & Queso Cheddar rallado
- Sándwich de empanada de pollo
- Donut
- Ensalada

- 9
- Destripadores de pizza con Salsa marinara
- Sándwich de empanada de pollo
- Cookies de chocolate doble
- Duraznos en cubitos
- Ensalada

- 16
- Taco suave de la cáscara con Queso Cheddar rallado
- Sándwich de empanada de pollo
- Arrollado de Canela con Baño de vainilla
- Maíz
- Conservas peras en cubitos
- Ensalada

23
Vacaciones - no hay clases



30
Vacaciones - no hay clases





DECEMBER



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



5

- Dutch Waffle with Scrambled Eggs
- Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Hashbrown Patty
- Veggie Bag
- Strawberry Cup

12

- Mini Corndogs
- Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Potato Wedges
- Diced Peaches
- Veggie Bag



19

- Cinnamon French Toast
- Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Hashbrown Patty
- Berry Blend Dessert
- Veggie Bag

26

Holiday Break - No School

6

- Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza
- Pork Rib-A-Que Sandwich
- Baked Beans
- Banana
- Applesauce
- Veggie Bag

13

- Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza
- BBQ Pork Sandwich
- Baked Beans
- Juicy Juice Berry
- Veggie Bag

20

- Pepperoni Pizza or Cheese Pizza
- Pork Rib-A-Que Sandwich
- Baked Beans
- Pears
- Diced Peaches
- Veggie Bag

27

Holiday Break - No School

7

- Chicken Bites
- Hot Dog
- Potato Wedges
- Side Salad



14

- Chicken Tenders
- Deli Sandwich
- Mac and Cheese
- Side Salad
- Strawberry Cup

21

- Orange Chicken with Steamed Rice
- Hot Dog
- Chocolate Chip Cookie
- Side Salad
- Strawberry Cup

28

Holiday Break - No School

1

- Alpine Chicken Bowl with Dinner Roll
- Hamburger
- Veggie Bag
- Corn



8

- Chicken Drumstick with Mashed Potatoes Chicken Gravy & Dinner Roll
- Hamburger
- Veggie Bag
- Green Beans

15

- Thick Sliced Turkey with Mashed Potatoes Turkey Gravy & Dinner Roll
- Hamburger
- Green Beans
- Veggie Bag

22

- Chicken Drumstick with Mashed Potatoes Chicken Gravy & Dinner Roll
- Hamburger
- Green Beans
- Veggie Bag

29

Holiday Break - No School

2

- Taco Soup with Baked Scoops Chips & Shredded Cheddar Cheese
- Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Donut
- Side Salad

9

- Pizza Rippers with Marinara Sauce
- Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Double Fudge Cookie
- Diced Peaches
- Side Salad

16

- Soft Shell Taco with Shredded Cheddar Cheese
- Chicken Patty Sandwich
- Cinnamon Roll with Vanilla Frosting
- Corn
- Canned Pears Diced
- Side Salad

23

Holiday Break - No School



30

Holiday Break - No School



School Community Council

Chair

Katie Southwick

Vice Chair

Jefferson Hall

Community Members

Andrea Lewis, Alex Hanson, and Jared Silverio

Faculty Members

Matt Killpack, Suzanne Allen, and Kristin Amundsen

PTA Executive Board

President

Kim Asp

Secretary

Lori Trapp

Treasurer

Lisa Guy

Mission

Greenwood Elementary is committed to developing confident students who achieve their highest potential through experiences which build a foundation of academic success and instill a passion of life long learning.

Greenwood's Essential 7

- Always say thank you and excuse me when appropriate
- Make eye contact
- Congratulate classmates
- Answer all questions (written or verbal) with a complete sentence
- Be as organized as possible and clean up after yourself
- No matter the circumstances, always be honest
- Be the person that others want to be around

2015-16 Land Trust Plan

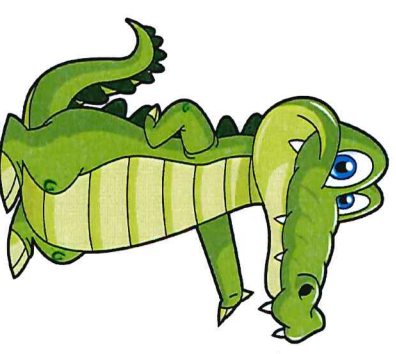
The School Land Trust program brings tens of millions of dollars annually to academic programs in public schools across Utah. Each school elects a school community council consisting of parents, teachers, and the principal. This council is tasked with developing a School Improvement Plan (SIP) funded by the Land Trust.

The Greenwood SIP focused on growth in language arts scores on the state testing by providing Double Dosing instruction before school for students in all grades, and giving teachers opportunities for professional development through conference attendance and trainings. Language arts scores showed improvement in comparison to last year (an increase of 3% proficiency).

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Report 2016-2017

GATORS



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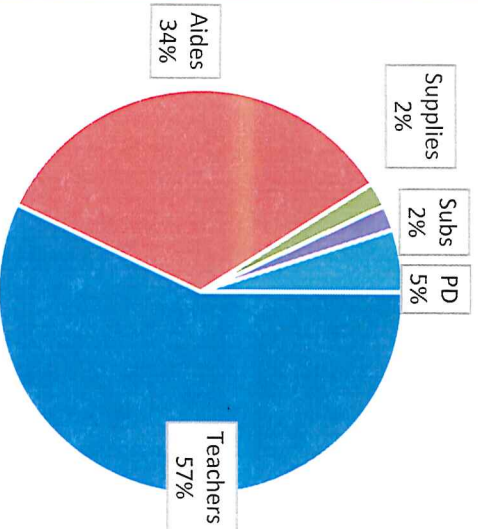
SAGE Results

Utah's Student Assessment of Growth and Excellence (SAGE) is an assessment designed to measure academic success and growth. SAGE tests are based on the Utah Core Standards in English language arts, mathematics, and science. These standards establish a framework for high quality instruction and help teachers ensure academic achievement for students.

- 2015 SAGE results at Greenwood demonstrated increased proficiency scores in Math and Language Arts. School-wide scores are as follows:
- 43% proficiency in Language Arts (an increase of 3% from last year)
 - 53% proficiency in Mathematics (an increase of 11% from last year)
 - 49% proficiency in Science (a decrease of 4% from last year)

Greenwood Title I Budget

2016-17 \$462,399



PACE Results

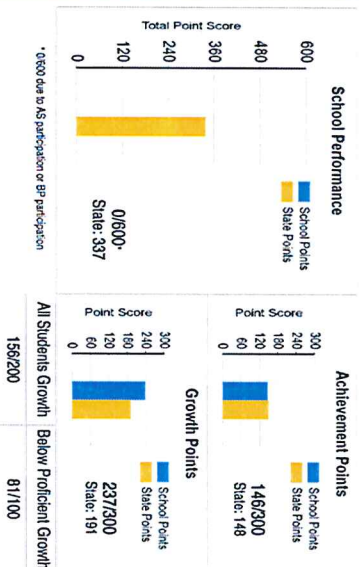
The Governor of Utah created an integrated 10-year plan for education and economic development in 2010. The plan is designed to lead us to achieving our state goal that 66% of all working-age Utahns will hold a post-secondary degree or certificate by 2020.

The "PACE" acronym represents the following recommendations to achieve that goal:

- Prepare young learners
- Access for all students
- Complete certificates and degrees
- Economic alignment

The PACE plan provides a variety of data points for schools in the form of a school report card. Greenwood's performance is detailed below. For more information visit:

<https://datagateway.schools.utah.gov>



SWAMP Time

One of the essential questions that guides our practice is: "How will we respond to students who haven't learned?" If we want to ensure high levels of learning for *all* students, then we must be prepared with additional time and support for children that demonstrate the need.

At Greenwood Elementary this year we have created an intervention period in the day we call SWAMP Time. "SWAMP" stands for Students Will All Make Progress. Each grade level has a 30 minute intervention time available Tuesday through Friday. Teachers work with four paraprofessionals to provide systematic support to students throughout the grade level. Data gathered from common formative assessments is used to determine the interventions (or learning extensions) needed for each student.

We're excited to see how this SWAMP Time impacts student learning at our school as we strive to meet the needs of *all* of our learners.

Extra-Curricular

A variety of extra-curricular opportunities have been made available at our school this year. Students have had the chance to participate in the American Fork Children's Choir, a Robotics Club, a Coding Class, or a Girl Scout Troop. We hope to continue to offer opportunities like these as we believe that extra-curricular activities have positive connections to student learning.

CAFÉ
ZUPAS
SCHOOL NIGHT!

Help us raise money for
Greenwood Elementary PTA

Visit Cafe Zupas here in American Fork
on December 6th and tell them you're there for

Greenwood Elementary

and they will donate up to 25% of your entire order to the school.

So enjoy a night out, don't worry about cooking or dirty dishes
and help raise money for our kids!

December 6th
from 5-9pm

Dine-in only.

