

News from Lehi Elementary School

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A TIME OF THANKSGIVING

November is traditionally a time of thanksgiving for the blessings we enjoy. At Lehi Elementary, **we are very thankful for the outstanding teachers and staff** we have who spend countless hours preparing for and teaching your children. They have done an outstanding job getting this school year off to a great start. We are **thankful for a dedicated PTA and volunteer staff** who are involved in organizing activities for our school and your children. We are indeed blessed because of the efforts of so many. **THANK YOU ALL!!**

THE IMPORTANCE OF ATTENDANCE

Several weeks ago, you had a chance to visit with teachers at parent conferences. They shared with you a current progress report on your child's performance thus far in school. There is a direct relationship between grades and student attendance. As we try to teach the core curriculum, much of what your child does in math and reading is done in class under the direction of the teacher. Your child often works one-on-one with the teacher or in a small group with other students as they learn. Many things they do involve materials or manipulatives in the classroom that enhance the learning process. It is very difficult for children to make up what they miss when they are late or not in school. We understand children being ill and appreciate your keeping them home when they are too sick to attend school. We are also appreciative of parents who encourage regular attendance and make the extra effort to see that their children are at school on time. It does pay off for your child!



FOR THE LOVE OF READING

What's the best way to create a lifelong reader? It's free, it's fun, and it will bring you and your child closer. *Answer: Reading together!* Find a time each day when you and your youngster can get cozy and enjoy a good book. Take the quiz below to see how much you encourage your child to participate as you read. Give yourself 5 points for something you do often, zero points for something you never do—or any score in between.

- ____1. I ask my child questions about the story as I read.
- ____2. I encourage my child to point out and name what s/he sees in a picture book.
- ____3. I ask my child what s/he thinks will happen next in the story.
- ____4. I encourage my child to repeat the rhymes and refrains we read.
- ____5. I read the same stories again and again. As my child memorizes the story, I let him/her pretend to read the pages.

How Did You Score?

A score of 20 points and above means you're encouraging a good amount of participation. Fifteen to 19 is average.



Home of the Lions



When the polls open on Election Day, every citizen over the age of 18 will be able to cast a vote. Let's exercise this privilege and get out and vote on November 6th.



The **MISSION** of Lehi Elementary is learning at high levels for all students.

The **VISION** of Lehi Elementary is effective collaboration.

The **VALUES** at Lehi Elementary are L.I.O.N.S.
L = learning for ALL is our Primary Aim
I = Individual Students are our Main Focus
O = One Entity, We are United in Purpose
N = Non-negotiables in the Core Curriculum
S = Stay the Course in Implementing Best Practices

OUR CHILDREN
are our greatest blessings

STUDENT SAFETY

Parents, please review with your children the importance of being safety-minded as they go to and from school. Students need safety reminders every few weeks. We will do our part at school in regularly reminding students of safety issues and urge you to do the same at home. Please impress upon your children that they should not talk to strangers or accept rides from people they don't personally know. Children should use crosswalks when crossing the street. It is also appropriate to discuss awareness of personal property of others. Please remind children not to cut through yards, hop fences, or pick fruit or flowers belonging to others. We want to be good neighbors in our community!

PARKING LOT SAFETY

We appreciate parents who are so careful as they bring children to school and pick them up in the afternoon. This is just a reminder that it will help us if you will walk with your children to the nearest sidewalk and then in to the school rather than through the parking lots.

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!**

November 5th: Minimal Monday
November 6th: Election Day
November 14th: Dads & Donuts 1st Grade
November 16th: End of First Trimester
November 21-23: Thanksgiving Break



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