APRIL 2016 **CEDAR RIDGE ELEMENTARY**

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Our Mission: To develop and enlighten the mind, encourage compassion and integrity and promote responsible citizenship.

Principal's Message

uring the next few weeks, many students at Cedar Ridge Elementary will be participating in the end-of-year assessments. Students in Grades 3 through 6 will be tested during this time. Testing will occur until May 19th and will need your help.

Please assure your children that testing should not be scary, but it still should be taken seriously. We find that sometimes children do not pay attention to the test items. Even when they know the right answer they might mark the wrong answer because they aren't being careful. A simple word of encouragement to do your best each day could help prevent simple mistakes from bringing down a test score.

Please give your child a good breakfast. Children do better with their fuel tank full. Help them get to bed early enough to get at least eight to ten hours of sleep each night. If your child enjoys watching TV or playing video games, consider implementing a "Not before school" rule. These suggestions will allow them to attend more closely to the test

items and increase their success rate.

Each student needs to have every advantage when they are being tested. We appreciate your help during this time. It is a time to show teachers where they need to focus their instruction. Thank you for your support.

We are looking toward the end of a wonderful school year. I express deep appreciation to all of you for your support and hard work to make Cedar Ridge an amazing place to work and learn. I am very impressed with and grateful for your deep commitment to the education process and the many hours of volunteer work given in behalf of your children. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Jeremy Brunner Principal

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APRIL

- ▶14th, PTA Meeting, 10am
- ▶14th, 1st Grade Program, 6:30pm
- ▶15th, Track Requests, 7:30am
- ▶15th, Walk-a-thon Kickoff
- ▶ 18th, Sixth Grade Nova
- Graduation, 9:30am
- ▶19th, PTA Chick Fil-a Night

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- ▶ 5th, 2nd Grade Muffins For Moms, 9:45am
- ▶6th, PTA Walk-a-thon
- ▶10th, Wax Museum, 9:30am
- ▶13th, 4th Grade Pioneer Day
- ▶20th, Field Day
- >26th, Last Day of School for **Kindergarten**
- >27th, Last Day of School

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Track Requests

If you are considering changing your child's track for next year, the forms to request that change will be available in the office on April 17th. We recommend all parents of incoming kindergarten parents come in and request a time for their kindergarten class next year. Requests will be considered on a first-come/first served basis. Request will be granted based on track availability. Please see the note that accompanies this newsletter for more information.

Dressed For Success

Please take a minute and review our school dress code. With the weather warming up we sometimes see students whose shorts are too short or whose shoulders aren't covered. We appreciate your assistance in helping us maintain a environment focused on learning.

PTA News

The PTA would like to thank all who participated in the PTA Math Week. It was a great success and hopefully your children found that Math is EVERYWHERE.

The Chick Fil-A Spirit night for this month will be held Tuesday, April 19th. This will be the final Spirit Night of this school year. Plan to come participate as a portion of what you spend comes back to our school.

Our PTA Family Community Celebration is fast approaching. The kickoff for this fundraiser will begin this Friday, April 15th so be watching for the packet that your children bring home with all the information.

The fundraiser event will be Friday, May 6th, from 5-8pm. It will begin with a walk-a-thon in the morning for the children and then the event will be capped off with our Family Community Celebration. There will be 8-10 food trucks, silent auction baskets, face painting, bounce houses and obstacle courses, and a whole lot more. Please come and bring your neighbors!

SCC

Have you ever thought about joining the School Community Council? SCC representatives are responsible to bring community and parent issues to the council as matter of discussion and to allocate funding from the state to meet the needs of our students. Contact Amber Bonner at <u>albonner07@gmail.com</u> if you would like to be on the ballot for the upcoming SCC election.

Alpine School District Parent Night

Thursday, April 28, 2016 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Legacy Elementary Media Center, 28 East 1340 North, American Fork.

Summer Activities: including resources from speech, fine motor, gross motor, preschool and community activities and resources.

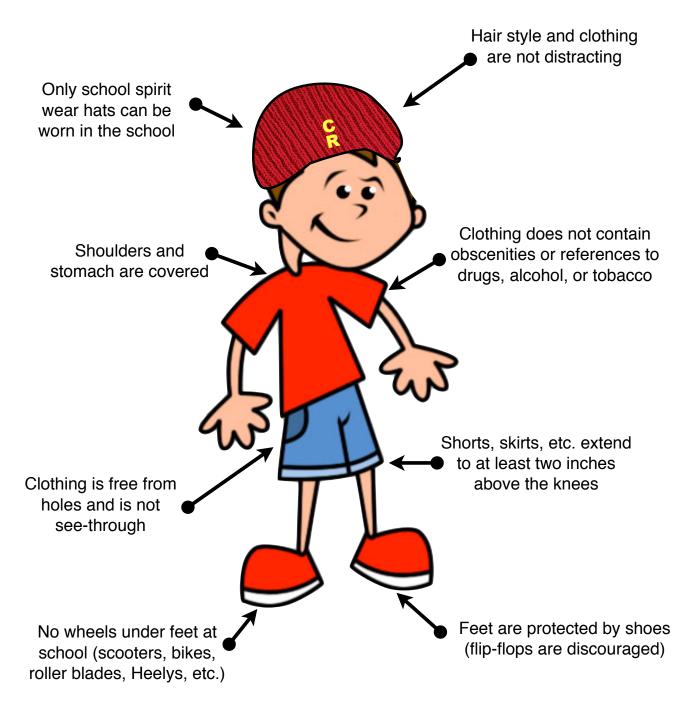
Open to all parents who have a student who is struggling, on a Section 504 Plan or an IEP Plan. Childcare is not provided.

ANNUAL PTA WALK-A-THON

The PTA has been busy planning our 2016 Cedar Ridge Walkathon, scheduled for Friday, May 6th. Come help support your students and Cedar Ridge!



Cedar Ridge Elementary Dress Code



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April 12, 2016

CEDAR RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TRACK REQUESTS

For those families who are interested in requesting a certain track for the next school year, forms will be accepted in the office beginning this Friday, April 15th, at 7:30am.

The following people should make a track request:

- Parents of incoming kindergarten students who have a preference for a morning or afternoon session
- Parents with students entering the Accelerated Learning Lab (A.L.L. Program)
- Parents who desire a change from their child's current track

All track change requests will be considered based on availability and on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please note that we are only planning on having kindergarten classes on the Track 2 schedule next year. The morning classes will be from 9:15am - 12pm and the afternoon classes will be from 12:35pm - 3:30pm. All parents of incoming kindergarten students should also request a start time (morning or afternoon). Students with siblings already enrolled on the Track 1 schedule will have priority for the 9:15am start time classes.

Please note, to keep our small group literacy times effective for next year, we will not honor requests that would result in one track in any grade level becoming overloaded. Requests for a track where there are no available spaces open will be placed on a waiting list.

We appreciate your support and understand of this process. Creating balanced classes helps provide the best learning and teaching environment at Cedar Ridge Elementary. Thank you.

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Jeremy Brunner Principal Cedar Ridge Elementary

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