

East Baton Rouge Parish Schools



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A School of Academic Distinction and Achievement

January/February 2009

Dates to Remember

- Feb. 4 – SIT Meeting 7:40 a.m. Agenda: 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan
- Feb. 4th – PTA Board and Chairpersons meeting 11:00 a.m.
- Feb. 5th – Papa John's pizza night
- Feb. 6th – Talent Show Entry Forms Deadline by 3:30 p.m.
- Feb. 6 – Academic Olympics – 9:00 – 3:00
- Feb. 9-13 PTA Sponsored Teacher Appreciation Week
- Feb. 10th – Talent Show Try-Outs for Pre-K – 3rd grade 3:30 p.m.
- Feb. 11th – Talent Show Try-Outs for 4th – 5th grades 3:30 p.m.
- Feb 17 – Individual Pictures Taken - \$3.00 Sitting Fee to get Picture Proof
- Feb. 18 – Staff Development Meeting – Early Dismissal 12:30 p.m.
- Feb. 19 – PTA Meeting 6: 00 p.m. Talent Show
- February 20th – Mardi Gras King Cakes provided by parent volunteers

Albertson's Community Partners Program

Our school is participating in the Albertson's Community Partners Program. Each family received a community partner card. This is how the program works: Whenever you are shopping at any Albertson's store, simply remind the store cashier to scan your card anytime **DURING** your order. Our school has been given an identification UPC number and when your purchase/transaction is properly recorded; our UPC number will be on the receipt. Albertson's will contribute money to our school based on the amount of sales we transact at their stores. We hope you will use your card to help our school. If you know you will not use an Albertson's Partner Card, please return it to us so we can give it to someone else. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 753-3560.

Adjusted Schedule for "Snow Day"

The time for us to make-up missed school hours has been changed due to the snow storm prior to Christmas. Our extended school times will remain in effect until the end of the day April 24.

PTA News

- **Teacher Appreciation Week is February 9th – February 13th.** Don't forget to show the teachers how much we appreciate them with gifts, cards, flowers, etc. Also, each class is assigned to bring either breakfast or lunch foods to the Teacher's lounge once that week. If you can help provide food items, please contact your room parent for details. Questions? Please contact Patty Cook @ 751-9649 or lsupatty@cox.net.
- **Talent Showcase** entry forms will be sent home next week. If your student would like to try-out for the showcase, **the entry form must be returned to school/PTA box by 3:30 p.m., Friday, February 6th.** Tryouts for Pre-K through 3rd grade students is Tuesday, February 10th @ 3:30 p.m., and tryouts for 4th & 5th grade students is Wednesday, February 11th @ 3:30 p.m. Entry forms **must be signed by a parent** and received by Friday, February 6th, or the student will **not** be

allowed to attend tryouts! Please Note: All students must be accompanied by a parent at tryouts. Questions? Please contact Ali Steffek @ 937-7717 or asteffek@cox.net.

- **Egg Shell stuffers are needed!** – If you can help stuff eggshells, we need your help now! This is a great activity to do at home while watching TV. Please continue collecting and sending in cleaned egg shells. Please contact Jennifer Schneider @ kevjen@cox.net or 752-9870, if you are able to help or have any questions.
- **5th Grade Parents! – Please turn in your yearbook ads!** Show your 5th grader how special they are by placing a personal ad for them in the yearbook. It makes a wonderful keepsake! The deadline to submit your ad is Wednesday, January 28th. If you need an additional form or have questions, please contact either Tomi Bartel @ 753-9236, dahlinruby@cox.net or Michelle Heughan @ 755-1158, cheughan@cox.net.
- **Silent Auction Items needed for Carnival** – If you work for a company or have a contact within a company that would be willing to donate a new item or gift certificate to our silent auction, please contact Kathy Coldwell @ 751-3903 or mkcoldwell@cox.net.
- **PTA General Assembly and Talent Showcase Night!** – Mark your calendars now for Thursday, February 19, 2009 @ 6:00 p.m. This is an event not to be missed! Back by popular demand is a “surprise” act that I know the students will not want to miss! All students received a night off from homework to come and enjoy this special family night.

Shenandoah Elementary School Improvement Team

Minutes from January 7, 2009 Meeting

Principal, Carolyn H. Sauer, welcomed team members to the meeting. Members present were Deborah Russell, Michelle Miller, Anne Creighton, Kelley Fauchaux, Lori Bramlette, Donna Sanders, Cathy Broussard and Dolonel Johnson.

The group continued reviewing the 2008-2009 School Improvement Plan and focused on Math goals and activities.

The next meeting has been scheduled for 7:40 a.m. Wednesday, February 4, 2009. Meetings are open to the public.

Kinder Vendor News

On Thursday, December 18, 2009 the Kindergarten and Third Grade students hosted a Kinder Vendor Sale. We sold collard greens, rosemary and broccoli. We made \$35.09. Thank you for helping us. We will use the money to replenish our garden.

Protected Teacher Read Aloud Time

Each afternoon, during the last ten minutes of the school day, classroom teachers will read aloud to students. This time will be uninterrupted. Therefore, requests to interrupt classrooms during that time will not be allowed.

Box Tops for Education

Our last check from Box Tops for Education was \$512.90. We thank you for taking time to clip the box top labels and send them to us. We use those funds to purchase instructional materials.

Arrival and Dismissal

Please review the following standard practices that we have in place.

- The canopy area is only for our children and duty teachers.
- **All children who are transported away from school by vehicle should be picked up in the carpool line.** Walking up to get your child to load a car parked in front or at the side of the school is strongly discouraged. Our carpool line moves quickly and provides a safe area for dismissing the carpool children.
- Parents who usually walk their children home are asked to have a specific meeting place to greet their children. Campus areas that we want to designate for parent/child connection are by the flagpole, bicycle racks, or in the grassy area that is by the Kindergarten fence. Those children and

parents should follow a consistent routine so the child is not confused about the way to go home each day.

- When you leave campus, stay on the sidewalk and do not walk to cross the street between parked cars. Only cross at the entry and exit areas of the parking lot. In addition, walkers should cross streets with Crossing Guards.
- Children should always go home as usual unless a parent sends us a letter or calls us to make a change.

Please know that the street areas on the side and front of the school are no parking zones. Parish law enforcement officers can ticket or tow violators. If you must park on the street, park along the curb and stay off of the grass of our neighbors. Left turns into the parking lot are forbidden by law between 8-9 a.m. and 3-4 p.m. Violators may be ticketed. As a reminder, the safety rules for traffic flow and student drop off should also be followed during morning arrival. Children should always be dropped off under the canopy area. Vehicles should not pass parked/standing vehicles that are unloading in the car pool line.

Thanks for your continued support and cooperation.

Habitual Absence, Tardiness or Early Check-outs

Please note this new state law.

A student shall be considered habitually absent or habitually tardy when either condition continues to exist after all reasonable efforts by any school personnel, truancy officer, or other laws enforcement personnel have failed to correct the condition after the fifth unexcused absence or fifth unexcused occurrence of being tardy within any school semester.

The parent or legal guardian of a student shall enforce the attendance of the student at the school to which the student is assigned.

The parent or legal guardian of any student in kindergarten through grade eight who is considered habitually absent or habitually tardy pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be in violation of the provisions of Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph and shall be punished as follows.

- (i) A first offense shall be punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars or the performance of not less than twenty-five hours of community service.
- (ii) Any subsequent offense shall be punishable in accordance with R.S. 17:221(A)(2).

For purposes of this Section, the term "tardy" shall include but not be limited to leaving or checking out of school unexcused prior to the regularly scheduled dismissal time at the end of the school day but shall not include reporting late to class when transferring from one class to another during the school day.

ACT 745 REGULAR SESSION (2008) - LRS 17:233

Student News

- Fifth grader, Rachael Edmonson, has been named the 2008-2009 Shenandoah Elementary Student of the Year. We are proud of Rachael and the manner in which she represents our students. Rachael is participating in the parish competition. We wish her well and know that she is an exemplary student.
- We congratulate the following students for their recognition at our Second Nine Weeks Honors Program: **Most Improved/ Good Citizen Award:** Ms. Moore - Marissa Segura/Kaleb Martin, Mrs. Spell - Olivia Blakey/Avery Schafer, Ms. Bajoie - Jacob Ryan/Lauren Sibley, Mrs. Rinaudo - Noah Williams/Sean Grady, Mrs. Bolton - Daniel Matin/Noah Hayes, Ms. Brewington - Nijah King/Alex Taylor, Ms. Johnson - Kohl Cleveland/Alex Gabel, Mrs. Creighton - Jalen Williams/Caleb Hernandez, Ms. Patrick - Riley Crouson/Aimee Martin, Mrs. Williams - Dylan Torres/Amari Ross, Mrs. Davis - Ashley Stephens/Naikym Milton, Mrs. Campbell - Chase Holliday/Kamryn Hawkins, Ms. Graphia - Mohamad Nafel/Bayleigh Jefferson, Mrs. Bramlette - Mason Seitz/Alexcia Eackles, Mrs. Delaroderie - Mary Helen Anderson/Ahmaud Williams, Ms. Dicharry - Adisen DeLoach/Cardarius Hamilton, Mrs. Haddad - Seth Saulny/Selena Seitz, Mrs. Faucheux - Gracie Evans/Brielle Self, Mrs. Norris - Amber Davis/Abdallah Choumar, Ms. Chamberlain - Brayden Simmons/Makayla Williamss, Russell - Haleigh Cox/Taylor Rising, Ms.

Butler - Telvin Jones/Dixon Lin, Mrs. Montgomery - Nelson Smith/Cameron Scarbro, Mrs.
Cook - Alexis Bernhardt/Tamirra Johnson

A Honor Roll

Second Nine Weeks

First Grade

Bellan, Mitchell
Falcon, Gavin
Hamilton, Ryann

Second Grade

Bergeron, Hannah
Boatner, Kennedy
Fisher, Shawn
Miller, Kya

Third Grade

Cook, Jennifer
Quantrille, Duncan
Sanders, Abbie
Shikhaliyeva, Amina

Fourth Grade

Heughan, Makenzey
Pham, Vivianne

Fifth Grade

Braggs, Diatrice
Edmonson, Rachael
Huntley, Maria
Johnson, Tamerra
Lin, Yang Yao
Liu, Andy
Marks, Mishonne

A/B Honor Roll

Second Nine Weeks

First Grade

Booth, Grace
Bourg, Harrison
Couvillon, Jack
Crowson, Riley
DeGraff, Emma
Dunn, Dyllon
Francis, Aliah
Gregg, Nicholas
Haynes, Hailey
King, Jambarie
Marks, Hailey
Martin, Daniel
Nienaber, Nicholas
Noyes, Abigail
Paul, Shanna
Quantrille, Ana
Roussel, Evan
Sauer, Richard
Singleton, Harlow
Smith, Grace
Steffek, Kelsey

Second Grade

Alfred, Maxwell
Coldwell, Abigail
Cook, Maximus
Cunningham, Kyla
Dabney, Nikayla
Degraff, Jackson
Delasalle, Bridgett
Easterly, Abbie
Edmonson, Jillian
Hendrix, Marylee
Hubbard, Landon
Kelly, Malik
King, Trent
Mayo, Marissa
Morales, Luis
Ragas, Alissa
Rushing, Jordyn
Seitz, Peyton
Taylor, Breanna
Tullier, David
Williams, Payton

Third Grade

Bourg, Elizabeth
Brown, Mykaiah

Burleigh, Brennan

Byerley, Ann
Cardona, Jordan
Cosey, Blake
D'Cruz, Jenise
Fendlason, Heidi
Hart, Christopher
Hasting, Shayla
Johnson, De'Ja
Leblanc, Hayden
Marcella, Riley
Marks, Logan
McAlister, Madisyn
Paul, Carissa
Pham, Kevyn
Roussel, Morgan
Rushing, Ethan
Rutledge, Candice
Saulny, Seth
Tullier, Rachael

Fourth Grade

Aughey, Katelyn
Boone, Tyler
Choumar, Abdallah
Ferrell, Brandon
Gabel, Brooke
Hopper, Allana
Hopper, Autumn
Lawrence, Kyra
Martin, Ashley
Martin, Jessica
Sauer, Maggie
Schneider, Hayden

Fifth Grade

Burns, Jessica
Drury, Isaac
Grass, Nicholas
Hendrix, Peyton
Horn, Amber
Horn, Sage
Jordan, Jasmine
Loewer, Tyler
Pigott, Kierra
Self, Breanna
Trupiano, Gabrielle