

Rancho News

From The Principal's Desk

Upcoming Dates

- Oct 14 Parent/Teacher Conferences/Student Holiday
- Oct 15 Parent/Staff Professional Development/Student Holiday
- Oct 18 Boosterthon Finale Fun Run K & 2nd 8-8:45 a.m., Pk & 3rd 9:15-10, 4th & 1st 10:15-11
- Oct 21 Board Meeting 6-10
- Oct 28 Red Ribbon Week Begins- More details to follow
- Oct 31 Storybook Character Parade 8:00
- Oct 31 Fall Fest during each students specials time
- Nov 1 Red Ribbon Week Last Day
- Nov 1 Fall Picture Retakes 8:00-11:00
- Nov 1 Brown Santa Donation Window Opens
- Nov 1 Morning Meeting PK & 1st 7:45-8:00
- Nov 4 Student Council Meeting 3:00-4:00
- Nov 5 Election Day
- Nov 7 3rd Grade Music Program 6:00-7:00
- Nov 8 Morning Meeting 2nd-4th Grade 7:45-8:00
- Nov 11 Veterans Day at the Flagpole
- Nov 15 Morning Meeting PK & 1st
- Nov 15 Pre-K Field Trip to the Austin Aquarium



Elementary Birthday Policy

We love to celebrate student birthdays here at Rancho! However, we do have birthday policies in place to protect students who may have food allergies and policies regarding party invitations. Below is LHISD's Elementary Handbook policy regarding birthdays.

"BIRTHDAYS: Please coordinate with your child's teacher one week prior. Parents are welcome to bring **commercially prepared** baked goods or non edible 'goodies.' Treats will be shared at a prearranged day and time agreed upon by the teacher. Please do not send balloons or flowers to your child's classroom as it causes a distraction to the instruction day. As a district we value inclusion of all. For this reason, IF you send birthday party invitations to school to be distributed, you **MUST** invite all students in the classroom."

For information on other policies, please visit the [Elementary Handbook](#).



Panther Academy Coding Opportunity

Registration is still open for Coding Grades 3 to 4 at Rancho Sienna Elementary. Our first class will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 23 from 3:30-4:30. Students will wait in the gym under staff supervision until the class starts. Look for [#RanchoCodes](#) on Twitter to see more about our adventures in coding. [Click here for more information and to register for the class.](#)



Fall Fest

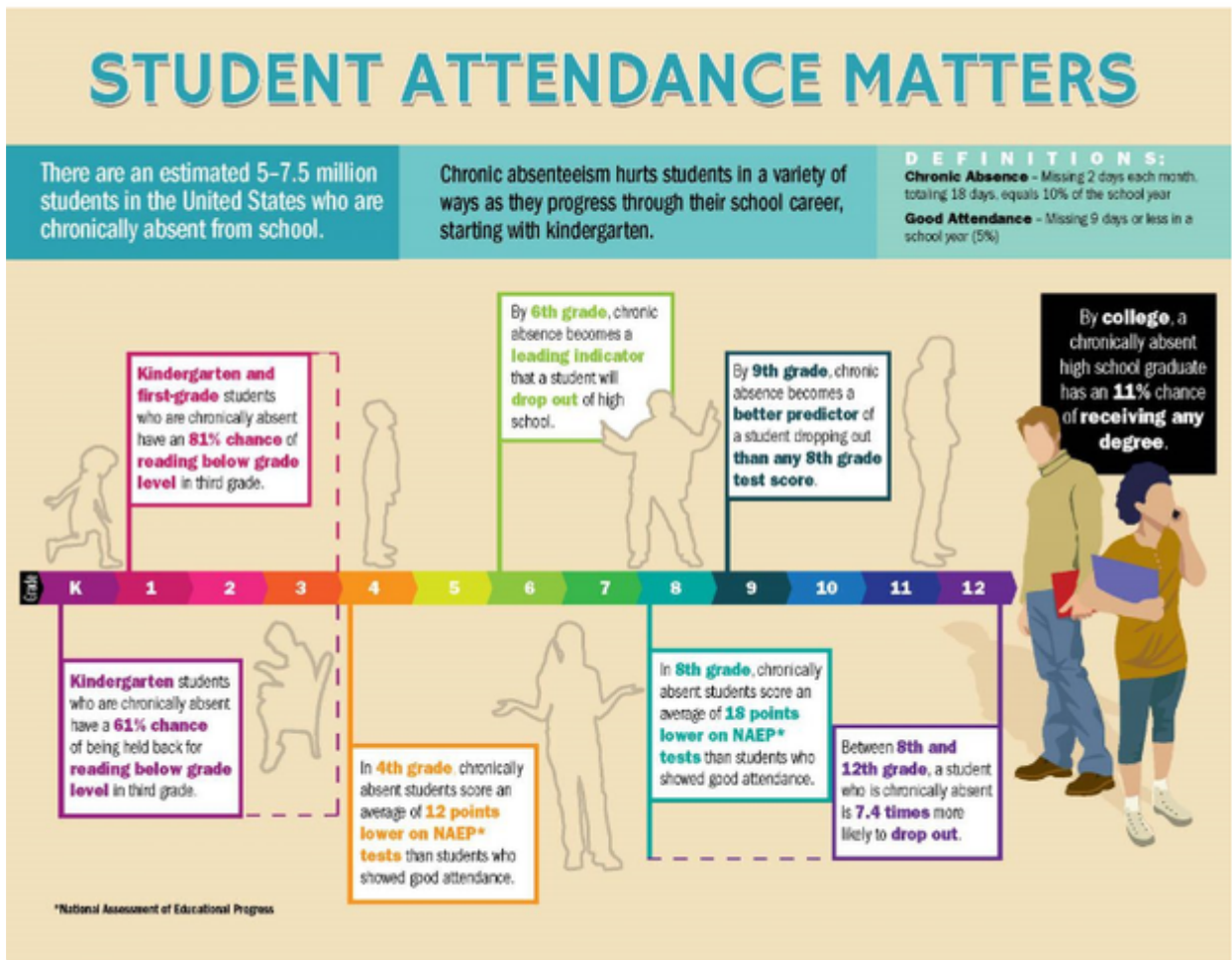
Fall Fest is right around the corner! On Thursday, October 31st, and is hosted by our amazing PTO! All students will participate in fun activities during their specials block. Students will enjoy various activities such as Candy Corn ring Toss, Monster Feet Hopscotch, Pumpkin Tic Tac Toe, and MORE! If you would like to volunteer and support our PTO for Fall Fest, please [click here!](#)



Bus Line

Please remember that the bus line located on the south side of Rancho is for bus transportation only. Students are not to be dropped off in the bus area to avoid the car lines. We understand that mornings can be hectic, however the car rider line from 7:15 a.m. - 7:30- a.m. is generally pretty quick.

Student Attendance





Brown Santa

RSES PE department will begin the Brown Santa Program on Nov. 1st. Every year we donate the \$5 Kohl's Cares stuffed animals to the Williamson County Sheriff Department's, Brown Santa Program. These toys will be given to children in Williamson County. We encourage our students to be creative and think of ways to earn money on their own. Donations will be accepted November 1st- 30th. Contact Coach Gamez for questions!



Wellness Week: Also Known As Red Ribbon Week

October is a busy month! It brings Positive Attitude Month, Fire Prevention Week, and Red Ribbon Week! You will likely hear Red Ribbon Week and Wellness Week used interchangeably. While Red Ribbon Week tends to focus on all the things to stay away from, Wellness Week turns it into a positive by concentrating on things you **CAN** do to keep your mind and body healthy! This habit of self-care is a lifelong skill that is so necessary! Ask your kiddo some things they learned about keeping their mind and body healthy (did you know October is also Communicate with Your Kids Month?! J

Wellness Week

(also known as Red Ribbon Week)
October 28 – November 1

Monday

My future is bright because of my smart choices!
Wear sunglasses and your higher education shirt!

Tuesday

Heroes make great choices!
Wear a Super Hero or Camo shirt!

Wednesday

I will exercise my dedication to a healthy body and mind!
Exercise to Go Noodle in Class for 5 extra minutes!
Wear your work out wear (must be in dress code)!

Thursday

I'm not afraid to stand up for my healthy mind and body!
Wear your storybook Character Costume!

Friday

Panthers Paws-itively make healthy choices!
Wear your Panther gear!



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Thank You Volunteers!

It's only October and we have had so many successful events thanks to our volunteers! Thank you families and loved ones for giving your time and for serving our school. We appreciate you all for

helping with the following events!

- Swag Tags
- Fall Pictures
- Movie Night
- Teacher Appreciation- Set up a candy apple bar in the lounge for teachers,
- Custodian Appreciation
- Balloons for Color House Reveal
- Flu Shot Clinic

Want to Volunteer?

Upcoming in October we have our BoosterThon Fun Run on Friday the 18th and Fall Festival on Thursday the 31st and we would love for YOU to volunteer! Volunteers are also welcomed every Wednesday for our Power Wednesday's. During this time we help with any needs teachers may have such as making copies, laminating, decorating, etc. Love to read? Volunteer to read to students through Education Connection Committee Readers.

Please read below about PTBoard to see how you can sign up to be a volunteer for events at Rancho!

Voting- Your Voice Matters

Interested in voting on items for our Rancho students? Or becoming a member of PTO? Attached are the instructions on how to sign up on PTBoard. PTBoard allows you to see what events are happening, what's coming up, how to volunteer, how to join a class, or become a member.

Our next PTO meeting will be on Tuesday, November 19th. That night PTO will be voting on whether or not we want to bring BoosterThon back as our fundraiser. If you would like to be a part of this decision making process, you must be a PTO member to vote by November 4th, 2019. The decision made at this meeting will be effective next year for both Rancho Sienna Elementary AND the new elementary school in Santa Rita... **It's a big voting item!** You may also access [PTBoard Here](#).



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Boxtober!

For the month of October we will be collecting Box Tops! More information will be coming home this week in your child's folder. Students can earn cash online for our school and the class with the most box tops this month wins a popcorn party! Students can send any extra Box Tops that don't fit on the paper in a bag labeled with their name and teachers name.



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Thanks to our awesome PTO for surprising our staff with a caramel apple bar!



Mr. Snell came to Morning Meeting to help celebrate our Character Champions of the Month for September.



Sweet treats!