Rancho News

From the Principal's Desk

Upcoming Events

Nov 1-30 GT Referral Window

Nov 7 3rd Grade Music Program 6:00-7:00

Nov 8 Morning Meeting 2nd-4th Grade 7:45-8:00

Nov 8 Fire Prevention Skit 9:30-10:15 Pre-K & 1st Grade 10:30-11:15 2nd & 4th Grade

Nov 8 2nd 6 Weeks Report Cards Posted for Parents

Nov 11 Veterans Day Recognition at the Flagpole 8 AM

Nov 11-21 Thanksgiving Food Drive

Nov 13 GT Parent Night 4:30-5:30

Nov 15 Morning Meeting PK & 1st

Nov 15 Pre-K Field Trip to the Austin Aquarium 8:30-2:00

Nov 15 LAST DAY for Thanksgiving Lunch RSVP

Nov 18 RSES Student Council 3:00-4:00

Nov 18 Board Meeting 6:00-10:00

Nov 18-22 RSES Book Fair

Nov 19 RSES Book Fair Family Night

Nov 19 RSES PTO Meeting 6:30-7:30

Nov 20 Thanksgiving Family Lunches

Nov 22 RSES Turkey Trot

Dec 7 Holiday Shopping Event at RSES



Attendance and State Law

Ouick facts about school attendance:

- State law requires that students are in attendance for 90% of the time in class. (That's 90% of the time-not just being here for the 9:30 daily attendance check.)
- Students who are absent for more than 10% of the days or parts of days, may not receive credit in the course/grade level.
- Tardies and early check outs count against the 90% required attendance.
- Excused and unexcused absences both count towards the 90% attendance requirement.
- If a student has 3 or more unexcused absences for 3 or more days or parts of days within a 4-week period but less than 10 or more days or parts of days within a 6-month period, the district must initiate truancy prevention measures.

Do the Math:

K-12=13 years of school Missing just 1.5 days per month:

- x9 months in a year = 13.5 days
- 13.5 days x 13 years = 175.5 days
- That's almost 1 whole year of school!

Attending school all day every day matters!



Turkey Trot Fun Run

Join us for Rancho Sienna's 1st Annual Turkey Trot hosted by our P.E. team on Friday, November 22nd! Due to space, we ask that guests do not run with students. Please feel free to come and cheer for your child's class in this 1 mile fun run! Dress your child in comfortable running clothes, tennis shoes, and optional festive attire!

Turkey Trot Times: 9:30-10:00- PK, K and 1st 10:00-10:30- 2nd, 3rd and 4th



Morning Student Safety

Parents,

Please do not drop off students in the back of the building in the bus lane or in the cul-de-sac. We have a car-rider line in front for student drop-offs. It is not safe for students to run across traffic lanes. Students are also darting behind cars. It is dark in the mornings during drop-offs, and we definitely want to keep our students safe. You are welcome to walk your student to the back doors if you live in that part of the neighborhood, but please don't send them alone through the parking lot or cul-de-sac.

Student Council Food Drive

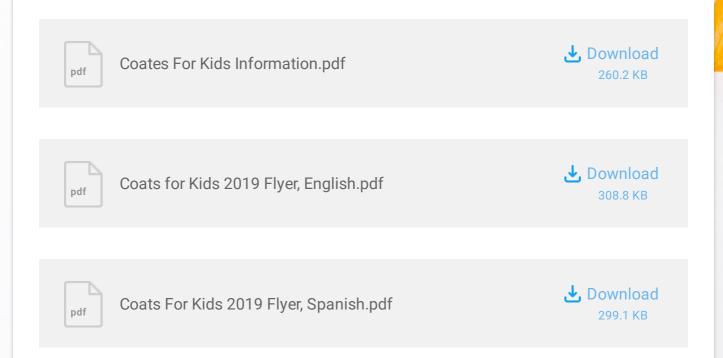
Our Student Council team will begin collecting food items beginning Nov. 11-21st. All donations will benefit Operation Liberty Hill Food Pantry. Thank you all for giving to our community and families!

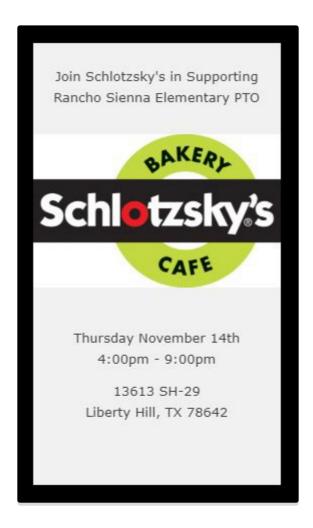


Counselor's Corner



Cooler weather is upon us! As we know, coats are a necessity as we head into the cold weather season. The Junior League of Austin is continuing their Coats for Kids tradition by providing coats for children in need. If your family is in need of coats for children age 18 and younger, please see the attached information. Coats will be distributed on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at The Palmer Events Center in Austin. If you have questions, please contact our school counselor, Ms. Payne, at bpayne@libertyhill.txed.net.





GT Information

Liberty Hill Independent School District defines "gifted and talented" as a child or youth who performs at or shows the potential for performing at a high level of accomplishment when compared to others of the same age, experience, or environment and who exhibits high performance capability, or excel in a particular academic field. LHISD recognizes students from all ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic groups regardless of existing handicaps or disabilities may demonstrate an exceptional ability in academic or divergent thinking. The goal of this class is to provide students with the necessary skills to think creatively, readily accept challenges, and take control of their own learning, ultimately preparing them to engage in a post-secondary environment.

LIBERTY HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Program for __

The Gifted & Talented

- Does your child learn quickly and ask multitudes of questions?
- Does your child have a vivid imagination and high interest levels?
- Does your child use critical thinking skills and problem solve?

Requests for G/T screening must be made November 1st - November 30th.

G/T Informational Meetings: Bill Burden and LH Elementary, Nov. 11- 4:30pm @ Burden Rancho Sienna, Nov.13 - 4:30pm Secondary campuses, Nov. 18 - 4:00pm @ LH Intermediate

If you are interested but unable to attend, please email Tamra Warner, twarner@libertyhill.txed.net to request the information that will be covered.

Log on to www.libertyhill.txed.net to access the referral form, or contact the G/T teacher on your campus.















A Year in Pictures!!

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- o Enter your name, email and our project number **021760**
- o Check your email for a confirmation code. Enter it, select a username & password to complete your registration.
- · There is no upload code.

(OPTION: Point your web browser to <u>images.balfour.com</u> to upload photos from your computer.)

*The yearbook staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.

Image Reminders:

- -Images should be in JPEG or PNG format, RGB
- -Maximum file size is 20MB per image.

Order Your 2019-2020 Rancho Sienna Elementary Yearbook!

This hard cover, all color yearbook is on sale for just \$22. The yearbooks will be delivered in May, but order now to reserve your copy!

Yearbooks will only be sold online. Go to <u>www.balfour.com</u> and type Rancho Sienna Elementary and select your school.

Purchase your book online using a credit or debit card.

The LAST DAY TO ORDER ONLINE will be May 3rd.

<u>Price will increase to \$25 on January 1st.</u> Any extra books will be sold in May for \$30 after pre-ordered books have been passed out. Order NOW for the lowest price!

4th Grade Pridelines

Show your 4th grader how proud you are of them with a prideline ad. Yearbook ads are full color and will all be created online. Parents can go online, design their ad, pay and it will be delivered directly to the yearbook staff!

Cost of each Prideline: \$10

Deadline to Purchase: January 31st, 2020

- 1. Visit www.balfour.com and find your school
- 2. Shop Yearbook products and purchase the ad size you want
- 3. Create an account
- 4. Look for an email within 1 business day confirming your **Ad Workspace** is available
- 5. Log into your Balfour.com account and look under **My Orders** to design your ad
- 6. When you're ready, choose Submit Your Ad to send it to the yearbook staff







Thanks to Ms. Henry for sharing your love of music with us!

Our 3rd Grade students gave a beautiful tribute to Veteran's during their Music Program.

"What a Wonderful World" in song and sign language!



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