

Bryant Bulletin

A joint PTA/Campus Newsletter

April 25, 2018

Dr. Rhodes' Weekly Message

Friday, May 4, 2018 is GenTX Day. This is a statewide celebration to inspire students to pursue and achieve a higher education. As part of GenTX Day on May 4th, we want our students to know more about college. We will be using a program called Flipgrid (this is a free app that can be downloaded on your device or you can use a url through the internet).

If you are willing, please share a little about your college experience. Tell us your name, where you went to college, and any other important information you think an elementary student could use. Some suggested questions to answer include: How did you know what to major in college? How did you afford it? Were you in school all day? What if a student is struggling in a class? Is college all work and no play? Your videos will be played in the classrooms on Friday, May 4th.

To submit your video, you can create a 90 second video on Flipgrid. The unique code for our page is d76e03. You can use this code if you have the Flipgrid app. Otherwise, you can submit a video using the following url: <https://flipgrid.com/d76e03>.

We look forward to seeing your videos and hope that you can participate! If you would like more information, please contact the school counselor, Penny Flores, at penelopewflores@katyisd or by calling 281-234-4331.

School Start Time Next Year: Our school will continue to start at 8:20am next school year.

Kindness Crew Challenge of the Week: Show someone they matter.

Event Calendar

April 26

Singing Bengals Spring Concert, 6pm in Gym

April 27

Family Legacy Movie Night (details in PTA Section below)

April 30-May 4

PTA Coin Crazy Fundraiser (details in PTA Section below or by [clicking here](#))

May 1

CAT Meeting, 4-5pm, LGI

May 2

Core Essential Kickoff. Wear Brown for Honesty.

May 4

GenTX Day (This is a statewide celebration to inspire students to pursue and achieve a higher education)
Wear a College Shirt. (see message above)

May 7-11

Teacher Appreciation Week- See Wednesday Folder for informational flyers.

May 11

Katy ISD VIPS Breakfast, Merrell Center, 8:30am. [RSVP here.](#)

May 14

STAAR Test- 3rd & 4th Math, 5th Grade Math Retest, Closed Campus to visitors

May 15

STAAR Test- 3rd & 4th Reading, 5th Grade Reading Retest, Closed Campus to visitors

May 16

STAAR Test- Make-ups and 5th Grade Science, Closed Campus to visitors

May 17

STAAR Make-ups, Closed Campus to visitors

May 18

2nd Grade End of Year Celebration, 11am- 12pm. Classroom presentations followed by picnic in Science Courtyard. RSVP and Pre-Raptor to be sent home in May.

May 21

5th Grade Completion Ceremony, 9am-10:30am. School Clap-Out as students make their way to the gym for Grade level presentations followed by reception in 5th Grade Bengal Den. RSVP and Pre-Raptor to be sent home in May.

Kindergarten End of Year Celebration, 11:15am-12:15pm. Grade level songs in gym followed by classroom presentations. RSVP and Pre-Raptor to be sent home in May.

May 22

1st Grade End of Year Celebration, 12:30pm-1:30pm. Class songs followed by classroom presentations and a short play. RSVP and Pre-Raptor to be sent home in May.

3rd Grade End of Year Celebration, 11:30am-12:30pm. Classroom presentations followed by grade level picnic in Science Courtyard. RSVP and Pre-Raptor to be sent home in May.

May 23

4th Grade End of Year Celebration, 12pm-1pm. Classroom presentations followed by grade level picnic in Science Courtyard. RSVP and Pre-Raptor to be sent home in May.

May 24

Last day of school. Dismissal at 12:40pm.

Office and Other Information

- Click [HERE](#) for the Bryant Website
- Click [HERE](#) for Katy ISD Home Access Center (HAC). Register to gain access to grades, e-news, etc.

Follow us via social media:

Facebook= [Bryant Elementary](#)

Twitter= [@BryantElem](#) [#bengalpride](#)

From the Counselor:

This month our Core Value is **HONESTY**. Please help us kickoff this Core Value by wearing BROWN on Wednesday, May 2, 2018.

Below are some great activities that you can do with your family so that we can SAY, KNOW, SEE and BE what it means to have honesty!

SAY IT: Honesty is choosing to be truthful in whatever you say and do.

KNOW IT:

Ask a kid:

- Have you ever heard the saying "honesty is the best policy"? Can you think of a person you know that is consistently honest?
- Think of a time when it was difficult to be honest because you were afraid of the consequence.
- What happens at school and home when you are not honest with adults? What happens in these settings when you are honest?

Ask a grown up:

- Share an example of a time when you were honest even when it was difficult to do so.
- What was your consequence when you were growing up for not being truthful with your parents?

SEE IT: The Disney classic *Pinocchio* is a perfect example of how being dishonest only increases the problem. Viewers are able to see Pinocchio's nose grow with every fib and white lie he tells. While this is simply a figurative way of teaching honesty, we can see how this relates to real life. Think of real life consequences of being dishonest and discuss them with your family.

BE IT: As a family, discuss ways to be honest with others. Ideas for discussion might be accepting responsibility for your actions rather than lying about the incident, avoiding situations in which you will have to lie for others, and thinking about things you do that make you feel bad or guilty.

Home to School Connection

Practicing patience

In today's world, youngsters often have instant access to information, songs, and movies. As a result, they might not learn patience. Encourage your child to get better at waiting patiently with these tips.

Set an example. Let your youngster see you waiting calmly during challenging situations. In a traffic jam, you could say, "It looks like we'll be sitting here for a while. Would you read your story to me?"

Discover strategies. What does "wait a minute" or "wait 5 minutes" look like? Look at your watch, and have each



faster? Your child will learn that staying occupied will help him be patient.♥

family member raise his hand when he thinks 1 minute has gone by. They should raise their hands again when they think it's been 5 minutes. Repeat the activity, but this time, ask each person to do something he enjoys like reading or drawing. Does the time seem to go

Information from the PTA

Social Media:

Check out the [Bryant PTA Facebook](#) page for up to date information, pictures, and other great information.

Website:

Check out the PTA website by [clicking here](#).

Movie Night:

Bryant PTA invites you to Family Movie Night on April 27th! The evening will begin with a PTA General Membership Meeting at 5:45pm in the gym followed by the Legacy Tile Wall Reveal at 6:00pm. The movie

(Cars 3) will begin at 6:30pm. A variety of food trucks will be onsite for your family to purchase dinner or snacks. [Click here](#) for more information.

End of Year Fundraiser:

A Coin Crazy Fundraiser will take place April 30-May 4. Funds are being raised towards a new swing set for the playground!! Get all the loose change ready!! The winning grade level will receive a popsicle party. [Click here](#) for more information.

Teacher Appreciation Week:

Our PTA has lots of ways to show the staff of Bryant they are appreciated. We need student help too. Information was sent home in today's Wednesday Folders to let you know how families and students can show their appreciation during the week of May 7-11!

School Supplies (18/19):

The PTA will have school supplies available to order soon for the 2018-2019 school year. Details coming soon!!