

Bryant Bulletin

May 22, 2019

Dr. Rhodes' Weekly Message

Thank you to all parents and community members who worked alongside our staff to make our 2nd year amazing! I have to always give our PTA a huge shout out! If you volunteered here in the building, for a specific event, or from home...we thank you tremendously. It truly takes partnership and engagement to make each child's education the very best it can be. The volunteers of Bryant Elementary documented 8,707 hours and 6 minutes of volunteer time this school year. WOW...thank you so much for your dedication to our school and our children!!

We wish the following staff members well and give a sincere 'thank you' as they transition into new roles and phases of life:

Mrs. LaRocca- moving into consulting and writing for teachers

Mrs. Crawford- transferring to Davidson Elementary

Mrs. Howerton- transferring to WoodCreek Elementary to teach YCAP

Mrs. Hellman- transferring to Kilpatrick Elementary as the school Counselor

Ms. Henson- transferring to Seven Lakes High to teach English

Mrs. Castanon- staying home with baby

Ms. Peasley- moving to a new opportunity within the district

Mrs. Dorcy Flores- retiring to spend time with and serve her family

I hope everyone has a relaxing and safe summer. We have amazing things planned for next year. Don't forget to participate in the yearly Bryant Elementary Parent/Guardian Survey. Your feedback is important to us. The survey closes May 24th at midnight. Please [click here to complete the survey](#).

This summer we are challenging students to continue learning!! Students can take part in our **Dream Box Challenge**, our **Reading Challenge** or BOTH!! Students are challenged to complete 55 Dream Box lessons. All students who complete 55 lessons will have popsicles on the patio with our Math Coach, Mrs. Hindt, when we return in August. If you or your student does not know how to log in to Dream Box from home, please email your teacher for instructions. Our Reading Challenge Boards are for students entering [1st and 2nd](#) and for our students entering [3rd, 4th, and 5th](#). Complete the Board for a chance to earn a book vending machine coin!! There is also a district reading challenge similar to our campus challenge which can be found by [clicking here](#). Many more resources can be found below...

Summer Programs: Summer learning loss, or summer slide, is the loss of academic skills and knowledge over the course of summer holidays. Wondering what you can do to help prevent the summer slide? Check out the Katy ISD homepage for ideas and programs your child can participate in over the summer months. We certainly want our students and families to enjoy the summer days, but are also encouraging parents to have their **children engage in something academic for at least 30 minutes to an hour each day**. [Click here](#) to find the Scoop on Summer Learning.

STAAR Results: STAAR results are scheduled to be released by the state to parents on June 11th. [Please read this letter](#) for instructions on how to electronically access results. This is the only way to access scores.

Congratulations: Congratulations to our PTA Volunteer of the Year, Kat Garza. Kat was recognized at the district-wide VIPS breakfast last Friday. Thanks for all you do Kat!!

School Supplies: PTA Pre-Packaged school supplies are available for purchase. PLEASE NOTE- Pre-Packaged school supplies are not a fundraiser for PTA...it is a service for families enrolled in PTA. The Pre-Packaged Supplies include PTA membership in the pricing. This method of obtaining school supplies is optional. [Click here](#) for Pre-Packaged school supply information. [Click here](#) for the grade level School Supply Flyer which you can use for summer shopping.

I-Write Contest: Because we have so many writers at Bryant, we would love to see some win the I-Write contest again and have their stories, poetry, or artwork published in a real book! Last year, our very own Caleb Caldwell won the contest and helped us promote it this year with students in grades 3-5. If your child would like to participate in the contest, entry is paid by the school. Below you will find links for submission of stories, poems and/or artwork for this year's contest. Each student submitting into the contest will need to create an account for themselves, with the help of a parent of course. As a reminder the contest is for current 3rd-5th grade students, so current Kinder, 1st, and 2nd grade students will not be able to submit. **All submissions are due before May 31st.**

For Short Story submissions, [click here](#).

For Poetry submissions, [click here](#).

For Cover Artwork submissions, [click here](#).

From our GT Department:

Parents of students who are currently participating in the spring gifted and talented screening should expect to receive placement results the last week of May through U.S. mail. Notification letters will be mailed beginning May 24th. Thank you for your patience.

From the District:

Did you know all children 18 and under can eat breakfast and/or lunch FREE this summer? Students under 18 do not have to be enrolled in summer school or be a KISD student. Free breakfast and lunch will be available at: PHS, RHS, CJH, MPE, FES, and RKE this summer. Learn more by [clicking here](#).

Event Calendar

Thursday, May 23

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL-Early Dismissal, 12:40PM

Reminder- No lunch visitors on Early Dismissal Days

Report Cards Go Home

Information from the PTA

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