

# PRINCIPAL NEWS

November 3, 2025

## PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Dalmatian Families,  
What a wonderful weekend we shared at our Fall Festival! The event was filled with laughter, smiles, and community spirit as families came together to enjoy games, food, and festive fun. Seeing our students dressed in creative costumes, spending time with friends and teachers, and making memories was a true reminder of what makes our Dalmatian family so special.



A huge thank you to our incredible PTA, staff, and volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the day such a success. From setting up tables and decorations to organizing activities your dedication and teamwork helped create a joyful event that our students will remember for years to come. We are grateful for your partnership and for the countless ways you support our school each and every day.

As we move into November, our focus turns to gratitude and giving. This season offers a perfect opportunity to pause and reflect on all we have to be thankful for like our students' growth, our teachers' hard work, and our families' continued support. Together, we are building a community where every child feels valued, supported, and inspired to reach their fullest potential.

In the coming weeks, we'll continue celebrating student learning, promoting kindness, and preparing for an exciting stretch leading into the Thanksgiving holiday. Let's keep the momentum going by encouraging strong attendance, daily reading at home, and positive routines that help our Dalmatians stay focused and confident as learners and leaders.

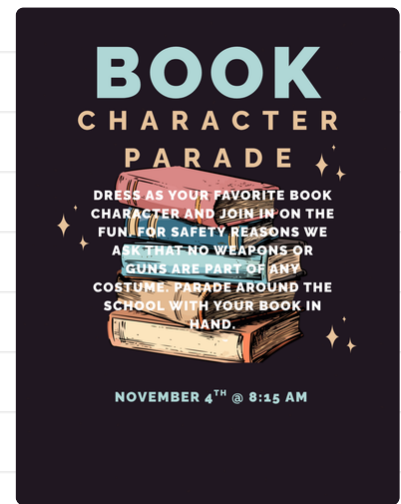
Thank you for your continued partnership in helping our students Learn....Inspire.... Lead....

**ASE students will Learn...Inspire...and Lead...We are ASE!**

## BOOK CHARACTER PARADE

All students are encouraged to dress in their favorite book character attire on November 4th for our annual school parade beginning at approximately 8:15 a.m.

Students may carry the book with them while dressed. Please refer to the following map for parent viewing locations during this outdoor event.



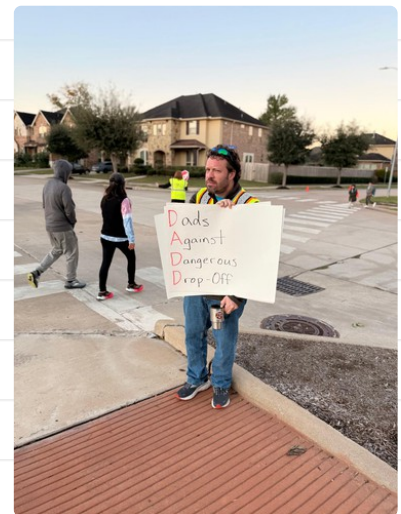
**Book Character Parent Viewing Map 2025.pdf**

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## DADD

We are working with our ASE dads to create an even safer environment in the mornings for our students coming to school. Dropping your child off for school is only to occur in Parent Drive. Cars that are allowing their children to exit next to a curb near our Crosswalk area are not following school safety protocols. We thank our dads who have been able to serve in the mornings.



## COLLECTING CANDY

We are collecting any leftover candy the week of November 3rd-7th. Please see the following flyer.



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## VETERANS DAY

On November 11th we will be celebrating Veteran's Day at ASE. We would love to honor the veterans in our ASE family. If you are a veteran, we invite you to come walk in our parade and join us for brunch immediately after. You can sign up for the parade using the sign-up genius in the flyer.



All students are encouraged to wear red, white and/or blue on this day.

If you have a veteran in your family, please help us honor them by creating a poster for our honor wall. See attachments for more information.

All posters need to be turned in by Friday, November 7th.



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**Veterans Day Sample Poster.docx**

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## PE CORNER

1. Kids Heart Challenge: We're off to a great start with our Kids Heart Challenge! Please click on the QR code to register.

**Students** – Let's do our Sullivan best to reach and surpass our fundraising goal of **\$15,500.00**. If you have any questions, please ask the Coaches.



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**KHC\_Family Engagement Toolkit 2025.pdf**

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## PARENT LUNCH

On November 20th, there will be no parental lunch visits permitted as our counselors will be doing a read-a-loud event with students. We thank you for your understanding.



## WELLNESS

Healthy & Active Holidays! As we move into the busy holiday season, it's a great time to focus on keeping healthy habits going strong. Here are a few activities to stay energized. The following family runs are a great way to prepare for the **Simon 5K Run** in February, or just a fun way to stay active!

Race for Permanent Sanctuary Family Fun Run (November 1st):  
<https://runsignup.com/Race/TX/SugarLand/RaceForPermanentSanctuary>

40th Annual Shottenkirk Fort Bend Sugar Land Turkey Trot (November 27th):  
<https://sugarlandturkeytrot.com>

Run Houston! Sugar Land Santa Run (December 6th): <https://txruns.com/sugarland5k10k>



## ART REFLECTIONS

Please reference this information if you are interested in having your child participate in the Art Reflections event.

Art Reflections Awards ceremony is Tuesday, Dec 2nd, from 6-7:30 in the ASE cafeteria.



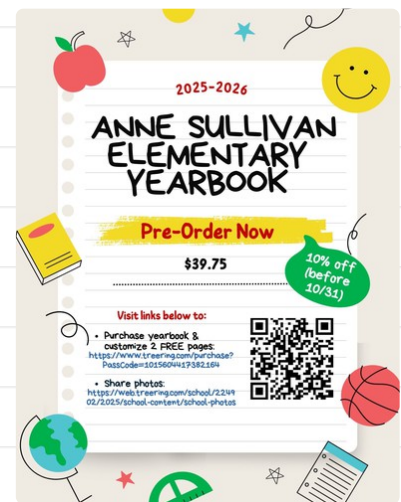
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## YEARBOOK

The ASE 2025–2026 Yearbook is officially on sale. Place your order by Thursday, October 31 to receive a 10% early-bird discount.



## SPELLING BEE

It's that time of year again for ASE's Spelling Bee. Students in grades 3-5 have the opportunity to showcase their spelling skills. Please see attached documents and the library schoology course for more information.

Classroom spelling tests will be given Thursday, November 13th during the students' ELA block.







## Spelling Bee Study Guide.pdf

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## Spelling Bee Home Letter #1.pdf

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## WAIT UNTIL 8TH

All are invited to attend an exclusive screening of the documentary, *Can't Look Away*. This powerful film sheds light on the hidden harms of social media and its devastating impact on young people. This will take place at Settlers Way Elementary on Thursday, Nov. 6 at 6pm. We hope you can be there!

All (18+ yo) are invited to attend. There will also be free childcare (children will enjoy a kid friendly movie and pizza). To ensure we have enough seating, you can RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/cantlookawaySLTX>



The event flyer is here.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Jxqv\\_CPfUQAshyviMCqIXrht\\_UF9JvM/view?usp=drivesdk](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Jxqv_CPfUQAshyviMCqIXrht_UF9JvM/view?usp=drivesdk)

## WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Last year, ASE PTA funded over \$140,000 for our students, teachers, and school. Here are a few ways to support the school on things you already purchase.

- Box Tops for Education (attached flyer for Box Tops): Earn for schools with HUNDREDS of products from brands you love. Use the Box Tops app to submit your receipt within 14 days of purchase. Box Tops products are identified and earnings are credited online. [https://btfe.smart.link/c2jjdifkw?referral\\_code=C9VF0MN6&school\\_id=9679585](https://btfe.smart.link/c2jjdifkw?referral_code=C9VF0MN6&school_id=9679585)
- Kroger Community Rewards: Earn money for your community organization when you use your loyalty card. Sign up on <https://www.kroger.com/account/communityrewards> or on your Kroger App and select Anne Sullivan Elementary School PTA as your Organization (organization Number: GW177). For directions, visit <https://asepta.membershiptoolkit.com/freemoney>





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## PTA NEWSLETTER

Please refer to the PTA newsletter for all PTA related information.

<https://asepta.membershiptoolkit.com/newsletter/07479-nl20250825145709-088193300-701486627>



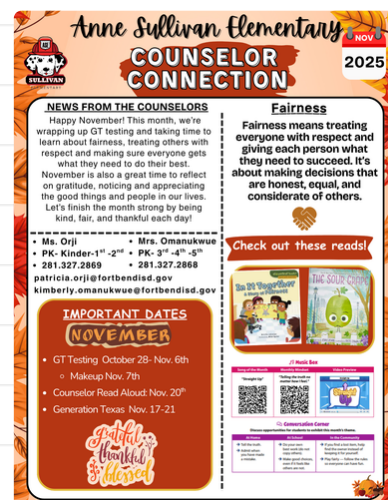
## COUNSELOR CORNER

This month in counseling, our students have been learning about *fairness* and *justice*—important character traits that help us build a caring and respectful school community. As we approach the holiday season, we're also reflecting on *gratitude* and the importance of being thankful for what we have and the people who make a difference in our lives.

November 3-7th

We've been learning that fairness doesn't always mean everyone gets the same thing—it means everyone gets what they *need* to do their best. At home, try talking about what fairness looks like in your family or play a "fair or unfair?" game with real-life examples.

Modeling patience, sharing, and listening to each other's feelings helps children understand what fairness looks like in action.



## UPCOMING SPIRIT NIGHTS

Attached are the flyers for upcoming spirit nights.

Nov 4- Jets Pizza

Nov 17- Chick-Fil-A

Nov 20- MOD Pizza



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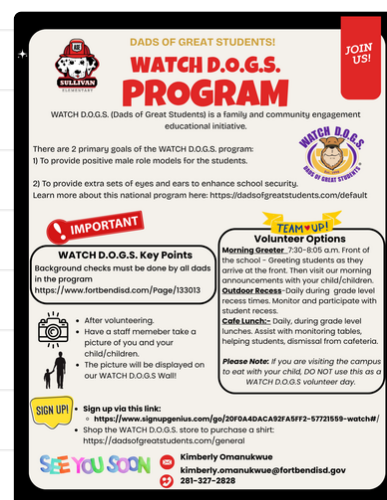
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## WATCH D.O.G.S.

Calling all dads!

We'd love for you to volunteer at our school and become a part of the WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) program. Your presence makes a big difference, and it's a great way to support students, build community, and be a positive role model! Click on the link to Sign up!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A4DACA92FA5FF2-57721559-watch#/>



## MONTHLY WRITING CHALLENGE

In an effort to grow future authors and develop the love of writing in our students, each month we will pose a writing topic for our PreK-5 Dalmatians to respond to as an optional activity. A child who completes the Challenge can submit his/her work to Ms. Roach electronically or in the yellow bus located near the front office.  
[stefanie.roach@fortbendisd.gov](mailto:stefanie.roach@fortbendisd.gov)

Pieces submitted will be displayed on our Writing Challenge hallway bulletin board, along with recognition in this Smore. Creativity is encouraged and grammatical errors are forgiven!

Please refer to the November Challenge Menu.

*Final October submissions are noted below.*

5th: Naoki Hotta

4th: Mira Rangan

4th: Bhuvu Grover (several)

4th: Sahara John

3rd: Kyra Pasari

2nd: Yuvraj Chadha (several)





2nd: Julia Chiang  
2nd: William John  
1st: Siya Kurup  
1st: Ahad Salman  
1st: Zayna Smith  
1st: Jedidiah Ajayi  
1st: Veeksha Sampathkumar (multiple submissions)  
Kinder: Athena Halageri-Rao (several)



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## GT NEWS

The August Edition of the Gifted and Talented newsletter is now available. [GT September Newsletter](#)



## FBEF

### Community Discounts

Are you looking for a deal on certain products and services? Check out the Fort Bend Education Foundation's Community Discount Program! You'll find deals on automotive needs, electronics, furniture and more! Visit <https://bit.ly/fbefcommunitydiscounts> for details!



## FBEF SAVE THE DATE

Save the date for this FBEF event!



## SCIENCE FAIR

Science Fair is open to all students. We will judge our top 2 third, fourth, and fifth grade projects. In addition, only third, fourth and fifth grade students will compete at the district level. Students can work in partners but must have approval from their science teacher to begin.

Tentative Date for the district science fair:



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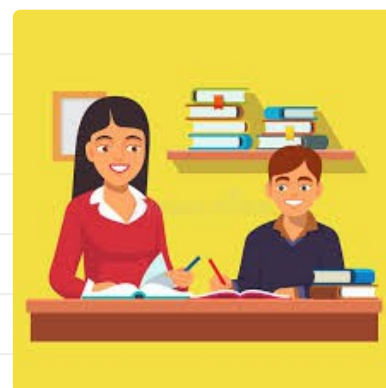
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## ASE TUTORS

Here is the link to our ASE staff members who tutor students during the year. If you have any questions, please reach out to the teacher directly.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/0/d/1D196l0OUXq39g4xPymmFuUgyHB8uycf30wjJaxZkIR0/htmlview>



## SIMON SPINE RUN

Please mark your calendar for this district sponsored race. Last year ASE won the Fittest School Challenge as we had the most participants from all FBISD schools. Let's do it again!



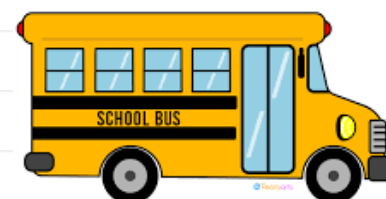
## BUS POSTER CONTEST

National School Bus Safety Week Poster Contest

The theme for the 2025–2026 poster contest is:

“Safe Rides, Everyday Heroes”

If your child would like to participate by making a poster, please read the attached file for the guidelines, submission information and examples. The poster must be completed by March 2, 2026 and dropped off at the front desk at ASE with the label attached. The



submission label is available in the attachment. We will arrange for all posters to be picked up and submitted.



**Guidelines and Entry Form\_NSBSW Poster Contest.pdf**

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## PARENT VOLUNTEERING

In order to volunteer at an ASE event, every volunteer must complete a [Background Check](#) each school year online. We encourage all adults to complete one before school begins. The verification process takes a few business days.

[Parent resources](#) can be found on the FBISD main webpage. Including information about bus routes, extended learning, district calendar, and more!



## RAINY DAY DISMISSAL

Rainy Day dismissal pertains only to those families whose children walk or ride a bike to school each day. Each parent of a child who walks or rides a bike is required to notify the homeroom teacher of a Rainy Day alternative plan.

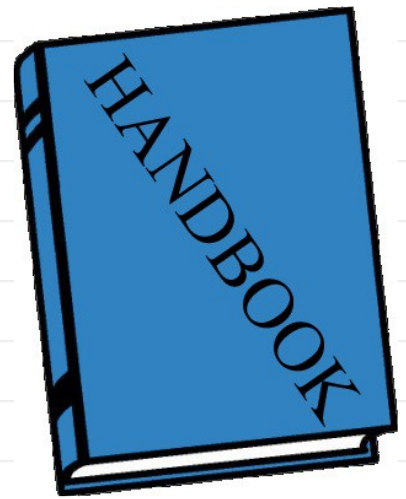
At 2:45 p.m. a Blackboard Connect notice will be sent to parents informing the community of a RainyDay Dismissal. Walkers/bikers will either become a car rider or remain a walker. If your child remains a walker, he/she will meet you at the normal pick-up location. Parents are not permitted to come to the building doors or encroach on the campus sidewalks to get their children in the rain. This can lead to an unsafe dismissal.



All other students going home on buses, in cars, or daycare vans will not have a change in dismissal.

## ASE PARENT HANDBOOK

This handbook is full of information for ASE families to reference throughout the year. Changes or updates to the document will be noted here in the Smore.



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## SAVE THE DATE

11/4: PreK-5: Character Parade, 8:15 AM

11/11: Veterans Day, wear red, white and blue

11/20: PreK-5: No parent lunch visits

11/24-11/28: Thanksgiving Holiday for all





**Donna Whisonant**

Donna is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters