

PRINCIPAL NEWS

September 28, 2026

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Dalmatian Families,

We hope everyone enjoyed the three-day weekend and had an opportunity to relax, recharge, and spend time with family and friends. We are excited to welcome our Dalmatians back and look forward to another great week of learning at Anne Sullivan Elementary!



As we continue moving through the school year, our students are working hard and making progress each day. Our teachers are using classroom observations, assessments, and our beginning-of-year data to plan instruction that meets the needs of all learners. We are proud of the effort our students are putting into their learning and appreciate our families for continuing to support them at home.

Thank you to our families who have participated in parent-teacher conferences. These conversations are an important part of our partnership and give us an opportunity to celebrate student successes, discuss areas for continued growth, and work together to help every child be successful.

As a reminder, there are no parent lunch visits on Wednesdays. Parent lunch visits are available on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. We appreciate your cooperation with our lunch visitor schedule and ask that you please do not drop off lunches on Wednesdays for staff to deliver to students.

Please continue helping your child start each day successfully by arriving at school on time and ready to learn. Our doors open at 7:30 a.m., announcements begin at 7:55 a.m., and instruction begins promptly at 8:05 a.m. Every minute of learning matters!

Thank you for your continued support, encouragement, and partnership. It takes all of us working together to create the very best experience for our students. We are looking forward to another wonderful week at ASE as we continue to Learn. Inspire. Lead. and Make Our Mark!

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

SEPTEMBER PROFILE OF A GRADUATE

Congratulations to our September Profile of a Graduate Leaders at ASE!

Students are nominated based on the Fort Bend ISD Profile of a Graduate strategic plan:

Equipped with skills for life

A servant leader

An effective communicator

A critical thinker

A compassionate citizen

A collaborative team member

A life-long learner



Milla Xiao

Sanav Mehta

Ms. Toledo, grade 1

Sloane Rao

Alexander The Great Francis-Ayanwale

Ms. Toy-Ng, grade 2

Megan Osagie

Akash Balaji

Ms. Hampton, grade 3

Alaya Momin

Joshua Adegbuyi

Ms. Hamlett, grade 4

Kaylee Zhou

Armaan Qazi

Dr. Brivic, grade 5

Vienna Berber

Ahad Salman

Ms. Bose, Kindergarten

Hanna Konrardy

Daniel Fang

Ms. De Los Santos, PreK

Staff winners:

Ms. Hodge, 2nd grade

Ms. Williams, 5th grade

COSTUMES AT SCHOOL

As we look to the month of October, this is a reminder that student costumes are **not** to be worn at school. Our Fall Festival will be held on October 31st, and costumes **are** permitted to be worn during this event. We thank you for your understanding.



FALL FESTIVAL

Mark your calendars now for our annual Fall Festival on October 31st from 10:00-12:00 p.m. It promises to be a truly enjoyable event for all!



DESTINATION IMAGINATION

Attention K-5th parents:

We will hold a parent meeting for those interested in Destination Imagination on 10-7-26. Please see the following flyer for more information.



PARENT DRIVE UPDATE

Parent Drive Do's and Don'ts:

Do: Merge your vehicle when coming into the drive from Winding Waters. One car at a time please. We also ask that you respect the volunteer dads who are assisting with this one-car-at-a-time merge design.

Don't: Pull into the parking lot and ask your child to exit the car and walk to the building on their own. The parking lot is for those



Do's



Don'ts

families who are walking their child physically up to the school building and/or those who have school business in the office to tend to in the morning.

SCIENCE FAIR

1st-5th grade students are encouraged to participate in the Science Fair. Please see the attached handbook and communicate with your child's science teacher.

Project are due 2/18/27.

3rd-5th grade will advance two projects to compete in the district science fair.



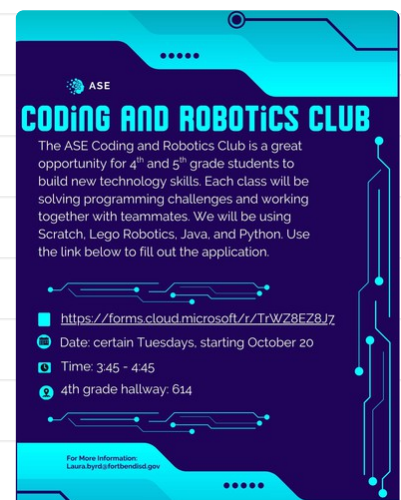
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CODING AND ROBOTICS-4TH & 5TH GRADERS

Please see the following information for any 4th and 5th graders interested in Coding and Robotics.



Coding club flyer.pdf

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FAMILY PICNIC DAY

In honor of Grandparents Day, please make plans to join us for our annual Family Picnic on October 8th during lunch time. Please see the following form and we look forward to seeing you on campus.



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WELLNESS CORNER

September self-care ideas are shared below. This is our monthly action for happiness guide.



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SPELLING BEE 2026-2027

Students in grades 3-5 are invited to participate in the Anne Sullivan Spelling Bee! This is a wonderful opportunity for students to build spelling skills, expand their vocabulary, and challenge themselves academically.



Parents are encouraged to review the attached Spelling Bee parent letter for important dates and participation information. Students can prepare by accessing the Scripps study materials and downloading the free **Scripps Word Club** app for additional practice and interactive study games. Information, resources, and links will be available in each student's **Schoology Library Course** for easy access throughout the school year. The Scripps National Spelling Bee also offers helpful resources for families on its website.

- Scripps National Spelling Bee Website: [Parents | Scripps National Spelling Bee](#)
- Word Club App: [Word Club](#) | [Scripps National Spelling Bee](#)

We encourage all interested students to join the fun and start studying!



Spelling Bee Letter to Parents.pdf

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ART CLUB-4TH AND 5TH GRADERS

Attention 4th and 5th graders: If interested in joining the ASE Art Club, sponsored by Ms. Sharma, please see the attached information.



Art Club Details:

Meets two Thursdays each month

Time: 3:25 PM - 4:25 PM

Location: Upstairs Art Room

Starting in October

Please find the Art Club form attached



Art Club Permission Slip- 2026-27 (4th.5th grade).docx

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CALLING ALL DADS

Come learn about ASE Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of GREAT Students) and how you can get involved at school!

This is a great opportunity to make a difference, support our students, and be an important part of our school community. ❤️



Location: ASE Cafeteria

Date: September 21

Time: 4:30-5:30 pm

17828 Winding Water Lane

Sugar Lane, Texas 77479

Come join us and learn more! We'd love to see you there! 🐾

Pizza will be provided.

<https://forms.gle/ggjT3zbd7q9LMgtE6>



UIL

If you completed the form for your child(ren) for UIL tryouts they are **Wednesday, September 30th!** (A student will not be allowed to come to UIL Tryouts without their parent completing the form.)



All UIL tryout students will be dismissed from their classrooms at 3:25 to the library and will be directed to their tryout locations from there.

Tryout materials will be provided to all students, **except** for Oral Reading. Oral Reading Tryout Students must **bring** their own poetry selection to perform. **If a student trying out for Oral Reading does not bring a piece to perform, they will not try out for Oral Reading.**

Please visit the UIL website at: <https://www.uil texas.org/aplus/events> for rules and practice material.

UIL teams will be notified on **Wednesday, October 7**, and parents will receive an email about whether their student is on a UIL team or not.

Here are the **approximate** times for the tryouts (please be patient while waiting for your student):

Music Memory (2nd-5th) 4:00-4:35

Storytelling (2nd & 3rd) 4:00 – until done

Oral Reading (4th & 5th) 4:00 – until done

Number Sense (4th & 5th) 4:20 – 4:35

Creative Writing (2nd) 4:20 – 4:40

If your child is only trying out for one event, their end time will be on the earlier side of the approximations.

All students who are signed up to tryout, will tryout. If finish times are much different than what is stated above, students will be able to call for pick-up.

If your student goes to **Extended Day**, please email missy.hochstetler@fortbendisd.gov with your child(ren) name(s) in order to make sure they are taken to Extended Day after their tryout.

All other students must be picked up by a parent from the gym at the back of the school– **no student will be dismissed to walk or ride their bike home without a parent present.**

Parents will park in the teacher's parking lot off of Marble Creek Lane and come into the gym to pick up their student. There will be chairs provided to wait if your student is not ready when you arrive.

If you have questions, please email missy.hochstetler@fortbendisd.gov.

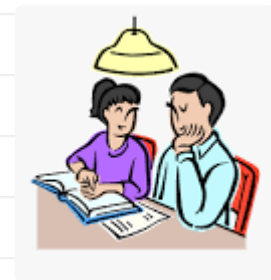
SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We want to wish all of these staff members a very Happy Birthday this month of September.



PARENT CONFERENCES

Parent conferences will be held from September 14th - October 8th. Your child's teacher will reach out to you to set up a time to discuss progress and performance.



FITTEST SCHOOL CHALLENGE

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!



FITTEST SCHOOL CHALLENGE 2027.pdf

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GT TESTING

If you are interested in submitting your child's name for GT testing, please refer to the information contained in this link.

See new attachment about an upcoming parent meeting.

Fall Testing Window:

Universal Screener (2nd graders)

10/26-10/30

Fall GT Testing



The deadline to submit a parent request for testing is September 30th.

<https://www.fortbendisd.gov/departments/gifted-talented>



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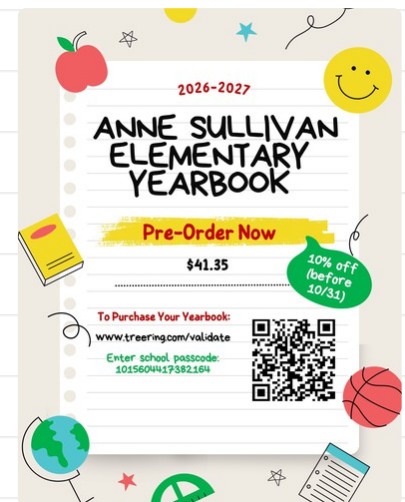
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YEARBOOK INFORMATION

The 2026–2027 yearbook is now available for purchase.

Families can save 10% by ordering by October 31.

This Early Bird Special will be the only yearbook discount offered this school year, so we encourage families to take advantage of the savings and reserve their copy early!

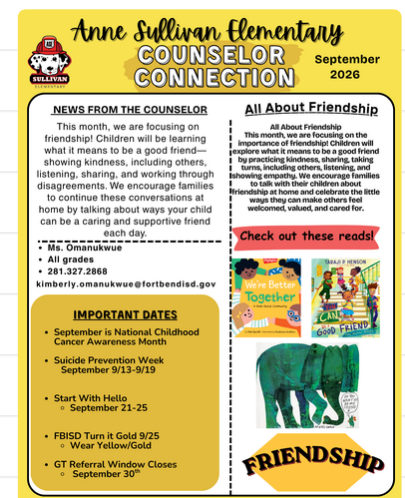


COUNSELOR CORNER

September: FRIENDSHIP

Week 1 - Encourage Kindness and Inclusion

Parents can help children build strong friendships by teaching them the importance of kindness, sharing, taking turns, and including others. Encourage your child to notice when someone is being left out and to invite them to participate. Simple actions, such as saying hello, offering to share a toy, or asking someone to join a game, can make a big difference. Children who learn to be welcoming and considerate are more likely to develop positive and lasting friendships.



STUDENTS HONORED

Congratulations to our ASE students who had their art pieces displayed at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds.



SPIRIT NIGHT

**Chick-Fil-A SPIRIT NIGHT! Wednesday, September 30, 3-8PM,
6124 Hwy 6, Missouri City, 77459**

Enjoy a meal at chick-fil-a and the proceeds go back to our school!
Make sure you mention ASE PTA and turn in your receipt in the
drive thru or inside the restaurant!



SPIRIT NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Join us on
Wednesday, Sept 30th • 3:00 – 8:00pm
to support
Sullivan Elementary



SPIRIT NIGHT

**DUMONT CREAMERY SPIRIT NIGHT! Friday, October 2, 4-10PM
4734 LJ PKWY, STE 300, Sugar Land, 77479**

Enjoy a sweet treat from the brand new creamery in Riverstone!
Please mention ASE PTA when ordering so 20% of your order will
go back to our school!



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

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!

September submissions:

5th: Avi Panchal (multiple)

5th: Kabir Sarao

5th: Avi Panchal

4th: Azil Tariq

4th: Naya Parikh

2nd: Zayna Smith

2nd: Fiora Long

2nd: Daniel Balderrama Brondani

2nd: Phoebe Lee

2nd: Aiza Falak

2nd: Olivia Zhou



2nd: Azia Momin (multiple)

1st: Athena Halageri-Rao (multiple submissions)

1st: Gracie Lau

1st: Isabelle Mathew

Kindergarten: Olivia Balderrama Brondani

Kindergarten: Milan Prakash

Kindergarten: Diya Kulkarni

Kindergarten: Ayla Parikh

Please refer to the September Challenge Menu.



September Writing Menu.pdf

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SCIENCE OPPORTUNITY

Please see the following information about a science opportunity for your child.



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 Rainy-Day 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.



TUTORS

Here is a list of both current and former ASE staff members who privately tutor students throughout the year. Please reach out to them if you desire extra academic support for your child.



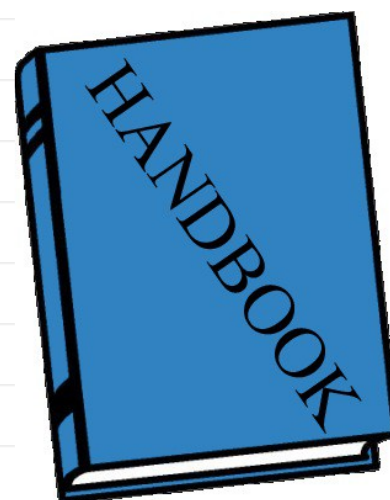
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ASE PARENT HANDBOOK

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.



Parent Handbook 8.24.26.docx

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Kimberly.Omanukwue@fortbendisd.gov

Campus Compliance Coordinator: Ginger Humphreys-Garza (Special Education, 504, STAAR)



SAVE THE DATE

9/30: *Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night*

10/8: *Family Picnic Day during lunch time*

10/8: *End of 1st Grading Term*

10/9: *Teacher Planning Day-no school for students*

10/12-16: *No school for all*

10/22: *Report Cards posted in Skyward*

10/31: *Fall Festival, 10:00-12:00 p.m.*



Donna Whisonant

Donna is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters