

Notes from Mr. Proffitt

Hello Parents,

Welcome March. This month we have many activities and events, please check the calendar provided and the Website and Dojo for all the information about Southwest Elementary. We are finishing our Dr. Seuss week and have had a great time and look forward to the National Jr college Basketball games with our students. Just a reminder that our 3rd and 4th grade students will begin taking the IAR state assessment on March 18th. Attendance and school-wide expectations for K-4 will be a factor for students as we determine who will be eligible to attend the National Basketball games. Please remember students will not be allowed to purchase concession stand items. Spring Break is just around the corner – March 25 through March 29, I hope everyone has a wonderful and safe time.

Charles Proffitt Principal



Pre-K News

The pre-k classrooms had so many fun themes and studies happening in the month of February. Many of the classrooms were working on clothing and buildings, but others were working on wheels, shoes, and celebrating Valentine's Day. Please remember to check your child's backpack for paper/artwork/ notes home from the teacher every day. Showing concern for what your child is doing at school is a great way to teach your child(ren) the value of school and learning, and pre-k is a great time to establish those good routines. There are only a few screenings left this year. If you know a child who is 3, 4, or 5 and not currently attending pre-k and would like to get enrolled for next year, please have them call 217-444-1078 or 217-444-1051. As a reminder, we have lots of wind at Southwest and the temperature is often cooler than in town. Please send a coat with your child for outdoor play every day!

Coyote Spotlight Staff



Mr. Thompson is a graduate of both Illinois State and Eastern Illinois Universities. Mr. Thompson came to Southwest with 23 years of classroom teaching experience with 16 of those years at Mark Denman Elementary. Mr. Thompson is also a parent and grandparent.



A big thank you to the DACC athletic department, Dr. Geddis, and Mrs. Bunton for allowing and arranging for our students to attend DACC and watch a basketball game during the NJCAA tournament. Participation in the field trip is dependent on meeting school wide expectations. We are so excited for our students to be a part of this exciting event in our community.





This month we are focusing on the "I" in WICOR. "I" stands for inquiry. Inquiry within the classroom fosters an environment where students investigate, analyze, and discuss information to create a greater understanding of content. Some of the activities students may do in their classroom to deepen their understanding of inquiry include: costa's level of questioning, socratic seminar, and philosophical chairs. At home you can assist us with teaching WICOR by talking about the importance of inquiry & encourage curiosity and questions.

Attendance

Congratulations to Mrs. Lehman's class for receiving the attendance award for the month of February. Attendance award is given to the class that has the best average attendance for the month. Way to go Mrs. Lehman's class!!





Spotlight Students

These students pictured were chosen by their teachers for showing the character trait of kindness!



March Menus



MARCH 2024 Pre-K-8 th Lunch Menu					
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Final 3.1.24
26	27	28	29	1 Macaroni and Cheese Turkey Ham Slice Sliced Carrots Sliced Cucumbers wiranch Bosco Stick Mixed Fruit	News Served Daily: Cold 1% White Milk Cold 1% Chocolate Mil Cold 1% Strawberry Mi
4 Hot Dog on WG Bun w/ mustard, ketchup, relish Vegetarian Baked Beans Fresh Celery Mixed Fruit	5 Cheese Lasagna Garlic Bread Steamed Broccoli Fresh Cauliflower Wranch Sliced Peaches	6 Sloppy Joe on WG Bun Steamed Corn Baby Carrots wiranch Sliced Pears	7 Open Face Turkey On WG Bread Mashed Potatoes wigravy Grape Tomatoes Pineapple Tidbits	8 Grilled Cheese Steamed Carrots Sliced Cucumbers Mandarin Oranges	100% Fruit Juice Daily Fresh Veggie Opti
11 Cheeseburger on WG Bun wilettuce, tomato, pickles ketchup, mustard Baked Fries Mandarin Oranges	Shredded cheese, salsa	13 Chicken Bowl w/ Mashed Potatoes Steamed Corn Chicken Gravy Dinner Roll Diced Pears	14 Turkey Club On WG Bread w! lettuce, Tomato, and bacon Steamed Carrots Celery Sticks wiranch Sliced Peaches	15 Chicken Alfredo Garlic Bread Steamed Broccoli Baby Carrots w/ranch Mixed Fruit	2 nd Meal Option; Variety of Specialty Sala Or Deli Sandwiches For Questions Regardin
18 BBQ Chicken pieces Mixed Vegetables Grape Tomatoes Cornbread Diced Pears	19 Bacon Cheeseburger on WG Bun wilettuce, tomato, pickles, ketchup Baked Tater Tots Baby Carrots wiRanch Mixed Fruit	20 Chicken Quesadillas w/ Salsa Spanish Rice Black Beans Celery Sticks w/Ranch Mandarin Oranges	21 Sliced Turkey w/gravy Stuffing Steamed Carrots Fresh Cauliflower Sliced Bread Pineapple Tidbits	22 Meatless Spaghetti Bosco Stick Steamed Broccoli Fresh Mixed Vegetables Sliced Peaches	This Menu, Please Contact: Zetta Piggott Director of Food Servic 217-444-1070 PiggottZ@Danville118.c
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Upcoming Dates

March 11 –22– IAR Testing

March 13-1:15 Dismissal

March 18- Scholastic Bowl

March 19- K-1 to DACC

March 20-2nd Grade to DACC

March 22-3rd & 4th to DACC





Meet your School-Based Health Center Provider: Ken'Niesha Hoskins, NP

Ken'Niesha is a board-certified nurse practitioner. She earned her master's degree from Purdue Global University. Ken'Niesha is the provider for SIHF Healthcare at the Danville School-Based Health Center.

"I believe I am God's redeemed anointed disciple that's called to provide relentless love and faith to my community. With relentless faith, barriers can be broken in every aspect of my patient's life. Relentless love is showing consistent compassion despite my patient's background or economic status. I believe that there's a Big God that can accomplish Big Dreams. My ultimate goal is to build lifelong relationships with my community to increase health care outcomes."

