



East Richland Elementary School

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Principal: Suzanne Hahn

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Vision : We belong! We learn! We succeed!

Mission - To develop respectful, responsible learners and leaders.

November 2011

Leadership Day - Round-Up The Habits

We believe inside every child lives a leader, and we celebrated that on October 27. We dressed in western wear to “round up the habits.”



We want every student to have the ability to proudly announce to the world...”There is a Leader in Me!” with their words, actions, attitudes, and behaviors.





Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week was October 24 - 28 and promotes being drug-free. Here is how we learned and celebrated:

Primary Side

Monday - "Don't Monkey Around With Drugs"

Tuesday - "No Lion! I'll Be Drug Free"

Wednesday - "Don't Stick Your Neck Out For Drugs" (**Giraffe**)

Thursday - "Listen Up! Drugs Are Heavy" (**Elephants**)

Friday - "Show Your Stripes - Be Uniquely You" (**Tigers**)



Intermediate Side

Monday - "Band Together"

Tuesday - "Trek Down The Drug Free Path"

Wednesday - "I'm King Of The Jungle"

Thursday - "Leader Of The Pack"

Friday - "Spirit Day"



Illinois Reading Council Grant



Students new to our building this year are receiving an ERES bag with books, magazines and other reading material provided through a grant from the Illinois Reading Council. The materials will be at the child's reading level and are theirs to keep to share with parents and siblings. Research shows one of the most successful ways to improve the reading achievement of children is to increase their access to print. This grant will provide each child's home with reading materials that they might not otherwise have and help them begin to make the reading gains necessary to be successful in life. Pictured is a new student with Mrs. Woods, Title teacher.

Fire Truck Visit

Rusty Holmes, Fire Chief, and a couple of firemen from the Olney Fire Department came and shared with our first grade classes. They talked about being a firefighter and working with the fire department. They spoke



on fire safety, what to do in case of a fire, and gave some safety tips. He also showed the boys and girls a fire truck and all the equipment inside. The first graders loved the visit! Thank you fire department!





News From The Nurse

Health Benefits of Thanksgiving Foods

Turkey is a lean meat that is full of protein. Cranberries are full of antioxidants. Sweet potatoes, yams and pumpkin are excellent sources of vitamins A & C, beta carotene, potassium & fiber. Even pecans are great sources of heart-healthy fats. Cooking with sugar, butter, etc. can decrease the nutritional value of these foods. However, everything in moderation—controlling your portions instead of stuffing yourself can protect your heart and your waistline! ~-from Harvard Health Publications

Llama Llama Red Pajama

On October 6, 2011, ERES participated in Jumpstart’s Read for the Record Day. It was a nationwide campaign to set a world record for the largest shared reading experience on a single day. More than two million children were expected to take part by reading *Llama Llama Red Pajama* by Anna Dewdney. Many students at our school participated. If you would like further information go to www.readfortherecord.org.



McTeacher Night

Thank you for supporting ERES at McDonalds on October 24. We earned \$600! Thank you McDonalds!



Ms. Garrett & Mrs. Allen working the fry bin.



Thank you to all of you who came out to support ERES at McTeacher Night. Here are a few of the families: Above (L to R) - the Gilreath Family and the Conn Family, Below (L to R) - the Beard Family and the Harness Family.



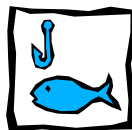


Parenting Information

****Parenting activities and projects are funded with federal Title I dollars through the Steven's Amendment, Carrie Winters Grant, and District**

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Hook Up With School - Parenting Workshop



Our November parenting workshop, "Fill Your Bucket With 20 Minute Meals" by Vanessa Bourgeois, will be **Tuesday, November 15 at 6:00PM and Wednesday, November 16 at 11:00AM at ERES**. Call Jackie Houchin at 395-8540 ext. 603 to register or for more information.



Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group will meet on **Thursday, November 17 at 9:30AM at Pizza Hut**. Julie Short, a mental health consultant, will be speaking about "Ideas On Discipline."



School Report Card

A copy of the 2011 Illinois School Report Card for ERES will soon be available on the webpage or call the office and request a copy. The report contains demographic information about the school and district. Below is some information taken from the School Report Card based on the 2010-2011 school year.

Attendance Rate: 94.7%

Low Income: 54.4%

Enrollment: 1,102

Parent Contacts: 99.3%

Mobility Rate: 11.4%

Overall Performance All State Tests (Reading, Math, & Science): 85%

This year ERES did not meet AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) because of one subgroup. The subgroup of all students made AYP in reading and math. The subgroup of special education did not meet AYP in reading and math. The cut score for making AYP was 85% of students in each of the subgroups. Given the high demands of the state test ERES is still very proud of its accomplishments and is working to have all subgroups meeting in reading and math. The annual School Improvement Plan focuses on improving reading achievement and increasing appropriate actions and behaviors in the learning environment using the 8 Habits of Highly Effective People.





September Leadership Day

On September 30th we had a Leadership Day—“Coming Home” to the habits. We celebrated the day wearing orange and black. ERES students made posters and cheered for the Tigers as East Richland High School’s Homecoming Parade finished its route at our school. Go Tigers!



Homecoming Parade



PTO News

- A big thanks to PTO for providing a wonderful staff appreciation breakfast on October 13th!
- **PARAGON FUNDRAISER** - Please turn in fundraising money on **November 1, 2011**. Money must be turned in by that date to qualify for the drawing.
- Remember to order from Market Day. We welcome Markey Day volunteers.
- Continue to bring in Box Tops for Education and Campbells Labels.
- We thank PTO for buying a new portable sound system!





Milk Your Morning Promotion

Last month the cooks have been promoting milk during breakfast through the MILK YOUR MORNING PROMOTION. Students have been randomly receiving cards on their breakfast trays. Four students have been chosen from all the cards handed out during the past month. The students each received a ten dollar Wal-Mart card.

Pictured are: (front row L to R) Chelsea Pride and Lacy Green (back row L to R) Aidyn Voyles and Mason Holbrook



The 8 Habits

- Habit 1: Be Proactive - **You're in charge.**
- Habit 2: Begin With The End In Mind - Have a plan.
- Habit 3: Put First Things First - Work first, then play.
- Habit 4: Think Win-Win - Everyone can win.
- Habit 5: Seek First To Understand, Then To Be Understood - Listen before you talk.
- Habit 6: Synergize - Together is better.
- Habit 7: Sharpen The Saw - Balance feels best.
- Habit 8: Find Your Voice - Inspire others to find theirs.



Cell Phone Law

- On January 1, 2010 the State of Illinois made it illegal for drivers of any age to use a cell phone at anytime while in a school speed zone. It is a safety concern and we want all children to be safe!





October Memories

