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EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER PARENT NEWSLETTER – December 2024



PRINCIPAL NEWS

First, I'd like to wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving! I can't believe it is that time of year already. Thank you for sharing your children with us. Everyone at the ECLC is thankful for each one of them.

Thanksgiving vacation will be from November 28th -December 2nd. Students will return to school on December 3rd.



Reminder:

PM Prekindergarten students should be accompanied by an adult at drop off while waiting for the front door to open. Please do not let students out of the vehicle without supervision. There is no adult to monitor them until the door opens at noon. Thank you for this in advance.

INCLIMATE WEATHER

We have seen some snowflakes, and I am sure that we will see many more. With all the snow comes some possible problems.

Depending on the road conditions, busses could be a few minutes late. The bus drivers do their best with the conditions while placing the highest importance on getting your child to school safely.

School closings, early dismissals, and 2-hour delay days do sometimes happen. These important announcements will be posted to the district website, emailed, text, and come through phone calls. They are also broadcasted on local radio and television stations as early and as soon as possible. If there is a 2-hour delay, school will open at 10:00 a.m. There will be no Prekindergarten AM classes in the event of a 2-hour delay.

On a 2-hour delay day, the school doors will open at 9:30 a.m. for drop-off.



Remember that kids do need to dress for the weather. Coats, boots, hats, and gloves are needed at bus stops and for recess. Thanks for your help.



PTG

The December PTG meeting will be on Wednesday, December 4th at 8:15 am. We will celebrate Holiday Parties with the children at school on December 19th.

HOLIDAY NIGHT

Our annual Holiday Night/Title I Night celebration will be Thursday, December 5th from 6-7:30 pm. We will have games, crafts, snacks, literacy games, a storyteller, and a special guest (Santa...shh). This is such a fun, exciting time for kids, we hope you can join us.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

For December, classroom counseling lessons will be utilized for the Women's Services Child Abuse Awareness Program (CAAP) in Kindergarten. The CAAP presenters will be at the ECLC on Dec. 9 and 11. Paperwork will be sent home to give more details about the program.



Prekindergarten will be focusing on our All-School Rule - "Be Responsible", and will reinforce a variety of responsible behaviors across school settings.

With Christmas approaching, and the demands of weather and higher utility bills, please reach out if your family needs support. The Titusville Area School District works cooperatively with a Community Resource Coordinator, Courtney Master. Courtney is available to assist families with a variety of supportive services. Please let me know and I can make a referral to connect you with the Resource Coordinator. Happy Holidays!

MUSIC NOTES FROM MISS H

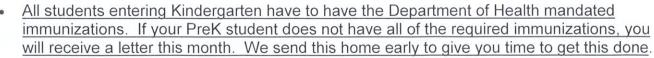


The Kindergarten students are so excited for their concert on December 6th! Please have students wear their "Christmas Best" attire to school that day (but remember they will be cute no matter what!). Parents should plan to arrive early for the best parking and seating. Doors open at 1:15pm. If you need handicapped accessible seating, please contact Miss H as soon as possible to make any necessary arrangements. At the conclusion of the concert, students may be signed out in their classrooms. The Kindergarten students will also get to practice being a good audience when they see the high school choir for a holiday performance later in December.

The Prekindergarten students have been working hard! We've learned about instruments like the banjo, fiddle, and musical washboard with Thanksgiving songs. We have so many exciting things planned for December, starting with the Kindergarten concert. The Prekindergarten students will be the audience for our rehearsal the day before the concert and will practice appropriate audience behavior. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out! =)

HEALTH ROOM HAPPENINGS: IT'S GETTING COLDER!

- Colder weather means we will all be inside more sharing our germs, yuck. Popular germ hide-outs are: phones, shopping carts, sinks, TV remotes, door handles, faucets, and light switches. Use sanitizing wipes and clean these often.
- If you haven't talked to your child's doctor about the flu shot, please don't forget to do that. The flu can be dangerous for our little ones.



 Hats and Gloves: Send your kids to school dressed for weather. They still go outside for recess even if it is chilly. If you need assistance with warm clothes/gear, please let us know.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



THE PE PULSE FROM MRS. TRICICO

Students have been working hard and having fun with stations in the gym. If you notice your child trying to hop on one foot, it might be because we are practicing this by hopping through a series of hoops. We are also currently working on alligator (army) crawl, hoppity hop riding, bowling, climbing, and spinning on sensory swings. Please remember that Kindergarten students visit the gym every day and it is important that they have safe shoes to play in. Boots (of any kind) should be avoided, as well as shoes that fall off easily (Crocs, sandals, etc.). With winter weather approaching, you might be sending your child to school in snow boots. Please be sure to add safe shoes to the book bag!



SAFETY

As busy moms and dads, the mornings can be hectic. You may be in a hurry, but please error on the side of caution if you are driving in front of the building. If you are dropping your child off at the ECLC in the morning, please slow down, drive as far forward as you can, park carefully and on the right side of the road, and be respectful of others. We have **very precious people** being delivered to us. We want everyone to get here safely. Thank you for helping out with this and doing your part. I cannot even express how much I appreciate this.



DECEMBER VACATIONS

Please remember that our last day of school before the holiday is December 20th. WINTER BREAK will be December 23rd-Janurary 1st. Kids will return to school on Thursday, January 2nd!



A HOLIDAY THANK YOU TO:

- 1. The staff at the ECLC for their work in classrooms, the office, cafeteria, and on busses.
- 2. Mr. Stearns and Miss Maseman for their hard work keeping the ECLC sparkling.
- 3. All the PTG members and volunteers who work so hard for the ECLC's students.
- 4. All parents and adults that help us with homework, motivation, and discipline.
- 5. All of the substitutes that help us when we are feeling under the weather.
- 6. All men and women serving in the military.

Have a Safe and Happy 2025!!





Mrs. Beck Principal

ECLC December 2024



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	No School	3	PTG Meeting at 8:15am	5 Holiday Night 6-7:30pm	6 Kindergarten Christmas Concert 1:30pm	7
	9	10	11	12	13 PreK Green Day	14
5	16 "Sweater Weather" Wear your favorite winter sweater or shirt!	17 "Grinch Vs. Rudolph" Wear green to support the Grinch or wear red to support Rudolph!	"Winter Wonderland Whiteout" Wear as much white as you can!	19 "Fuzzy, Flannel and Fleece Day" Wear something fuzzy, flannel and/or fleece! Winter Parties	20 "Pajama Party Day" Wear your pajamas! No slippers, please! Movie Day	21
2	Holiday Break No School	Holiday Break No School	Holiday Break No School	26 Holiday Break No School	Holiday Break No School	28
)	30 Holiday Break No School	Holiday Break No School New Year's Eve	January 1 Holiday Break No School New Year's Day	January 2 Return to School	Have a wonderful toliday Season!!	

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Holiday Spirit Days Dec. 16-20, 2024

Monday-

"Sweater Weather" Wear your favorite winter sweater or shirt!

Tuesday-

"Grinch versus Rudolph"

Wear green to

support the Grinch or

wear red to support Rudolph!



Thursday-

"Fuzzy, Flannel and
Fleece Day"

Wear something fuzzy,
flannel and/or fleece!



"Pajama Party Day" Wear your pajamas!



