

Good Afternoon Evergreen Families,

Here are some reminders of Evergreen happenings:

### **Veterans Day**

Today marks the nation's recognition of Veterans who have sacrificed in big and small ways so that Americans can live with a vast number of freedoms. In Evergreen's classrooms, teachers are making time to not only teach our students about Veterans Day but also give students a chance to write "thank you" letters and draw/color small posters that will be given to Veterans who have a connection to Evergreen. We are so grateful for each of them!

### **World Diabetes Day - Thursday, November 14**

On Thursday, November 14, all APS staff and students are invited to participate in recognizing World Diabetes Awareness Day. To show support for those who live with Diabetes we hope to have all staff and students wear blue. Encourage your child to wear as much blue as possible as a way to say "we support you" to our APS students and staff with Diabetes.

### **"A Thanksgiving Celebration" Musical Production**

This is a reminder that on Wednesday and Thursday nights, November 20 and 21, our second and third-grade students will be performing their Music Program called "A Thanksgiving Celebration." We are excited to see our students on stage and encourage you to attend if you are able. The programs will be held in the Ceglarek Fine Arts Center and the performance schedule is:

#### Wednesday, November 20

6:30 p.m. Show includes the following classrooms: Gravelyn, Nusbaum, Reister, Baker/Vruggink, Timmerman

7:30 p.m. Show includes the following classrooms: Johnston, Maness, Chapin, Herrmann

#### Thursday, November 21

6:30 p.m. Show includes the following classrooms: Dykstra, VanDyken, Hanson, Persak

7:30 p.m. Show includes the following classrooms: Koning, Powell, Molenkamp, Oslund

### **Allendale Encouragement Team (AET) Updates**

- Come on out to Main Street Pub on Wednesday, November 13 between 5 - 9 pm where a percentage of your meal will be given back to support APS teachers and staff! Mention this flyer or show your server the Facebook event. ([attached graphic](#))
- Time to decorate for the holidays! Make a beautiful holiday porch pot at Dekker Bros Farms off of 68th on Thursday, November 21 from 7 - 9 pm. All the information can be found on our Facebook event by searching Porch Pot Party: An AET Fundraiser. Proceeds go back to support APS teachers and staff! ([attached graphic](#))

### **Allendale Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Events & Activities**

Get out and have a great time with your family and friends at the 🎆 *Hollywood Red Carpet Family Formal* 🎆\*!

★ Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

★ 4 pm - 6 pm at Allendale High School

★ Dancing – Face Painting – Hair Tinsel – Crafts – Games – Snacks – And MORE!

★ \$12.50/person, \$50 Family Max

★ [Buy Tickets Here: https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/28fb7b5b-19d0-4dd1-a187-719085810035](https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/28fb7b5b-19d0-4dd1-a187-719085810035)

★ Can you help? [Sign up to volunteer here:](#)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4CA4AB2DA5F9C52-50778575-family#/>

\*This is the only formal event being held this school year, it is open to any student & their families. The family formal takes the place of the previous daddy-daughter & mother-son dances.

The PTO is taking the STRESS out of fundraising with the **NO FUSS FUNDRAISER**!

♥ You can make a real difference without adding to your already busy schedule.

♥ Investing in the PTO shows your support for enriching your child's school experience.

♥ Your generosity helps us achieve our GOLD GOAL – if met – makes this the only fundraiser this school year! Here is an update on the amount raised, to date:

School ↓	Amount Raised 11/07/2024	Silver Goal	% of Silver Goal Raised	Gold Goal	% of Gold Goal Raised
<b>AECC</b>	\$1,362.50	\$5,600	24%	\$14,000	10%
<b>Evergreen</b>	\$2,102.50	\$8,800	24%	\$22,000	10%
<b>Oakwood</b>	\$1,130.00	\$5,600	20%	\$14,000	8%

♥ Want more details? **Take a look here:** [https://docs.google.com/document/d/17mWhqyAF095g9QxIYNd9\\_HxN7dGM-xjgw4kHpG1p2rA/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17mWhqyAF095g9QxIYNd9_HxN7dGM-xjgw4kHpG1p2rA/edit?usp=sharing)

♥ **Please Donate Here Today:** <https://www.zeffy.com/fundraising/39eb7502-0f41-4796-b6f6-76f9183fbe78>

Check out the updated PTO newsletter [here:](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MR7Sq3PeX6V1GvJ2zL7QSQZzG7EH27YfUNpDHXQQRo/edit?usp=sharing) <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MR7Sq3PeX6V1GvJ2zL7QSQZzG7EH27YfUNpDHXQQRo/edit?usp=sharing>

### **Allendale Public Schools' Family C.A.R.E. Team Highlights**

- [APS Family C.A.R.E. Team Newsletter - October Edition](#)
- [Cold Weather Clothing](#)

As November draws near, so does the promise of cold weather. Our Family C.A.R.E. Team is partnering with LOVE, INC to help support families in need of winter gear for their children. If you need some assistance in this area, please see [this flyer for more information](#).

- [Holiday Helpers Info](#)

The APS Family CARE and Love INC will be running their annual Holiday Helpers program. If your family is experiencing financial hardship and needs assistance during the Holidays, please read our [English Language Letter](#) or our [Spanish Language Letter](#) for more information about applying to the Holiday Helpers program. Applications can be dropped off at Love INC or brought back to school to be given to a Family CARE Team Member.

- [November Food Drive](#)

Over the years, the APS staff has led a food collection effort to support our student-based services of Manna Meals and Hand-to-Hand programs during the Thanksgiving season. You can find more information about our food drive by clicking here: [November Food Drive](#). Please note that our food collection will run from November 18-22. Thank you so much for your support!

### **Reminder: Volunteers Needed to Help in Evergreen's Morning Drop-Off Loops**

Family members - if you would be willing to work alongside our morning drop-off loop staff members to welcome students as they come out of their vehicles and ensure their safe entrance into the building, we would love to hear from you. We are asking volunteers to help support our student drop-off process from 8:20 am until 8:40 am.

If you are interested in volunteering in this way, please complete [this Google form](#). The form will give us information that we can use to get you on the schedule.

Respectfully,

Doug Bol, Principal  
Evergreen Elementary School