SPES Pirate News

April 2025 Edition



PLANNING AHEAD

Wed., April 2: PTO in the library at 4:30. Zoom link will be available on the PTO Facebook page.

Mon., April 7: All Pro Dads at 6pm. Enter through the cafeteria.

Tues., April 8: 2nd Grade Bike Rodeo - permission slip required

Wed., April 9: Pre-K Registration from 8:30am to 1:45pm & 3:15 to 5pm.

Mon., April 14: TCAP State Testing begins for grades 3rd through 6th.

Thurs., April 17: Progress Reports go home. Please review, sign, and return.

Fri., April 18: Good Friday - No School

Fri., April 25 - 27: The National Cornbread Festival. Kickoff is Friday evening at 6pm.

Fri., May 2: Last day to get AR points

TCAP

The TCAP testing will take place from April 14 to 23, and student attendance is crucial during this time. These assessments are important for measuring student progress.

Get 8-10 hours of sleep. To help your child perform at their highest potential, please ensure they get plenty of rest each night. A consistent bedtime routine can improve focus, memory, and overall performance.

Be on time. Ensure your child arrives at school on time each day.

Students arriving at school late may have to wait to be assessed later in the day. Once the assessment is administered there can be NO interruptions

• **Eat breakfast each day.** Whether at home or at school, eating a good breakfast gives your student the greatest opportunity to do their best.

Cornbread Festival

We're seeking volunteers to help manage the gates at the Cornbread Festival on April 26-27! This is a wonderful opportunity to get involved in the community and support SPES. If you're available to lend a hand, please sign up to volunteer and help make the festival a success! Your support is greatly appreciated!

Attendance

Being on time and maintaining good attendance is essential for student success. Arriving at school on time ensures that students don't miss valuable lessons, instruction, or important activities. Consistent attendance helps students stay engaged, build strong habits, and stay on track with their learning. Every day counts, so let's make the most of each school day!

Reminders:

- Our Lost and Found is overflowing! Label personal items (jacket, water bottle, lunch box) with child's first and last name. It is suggested to use a Sharpie marker and write on an inner tag.
- Car rider name tags should be visible throughout the entire dismissal process.
- Stay connected and informed by downloading the SPES App and following us on Facebook at South Pittsburg Elementary School.
- If you have questions or concerns about your child's day, please reach out to their homeroom teacher utilizing their preferred communication platform such as Class Dojo or Remind. Due to the high volume of calls coming in daily through the office, we can not guarantee a speedy response.

SPES IN ACTION

This month, we decided to talk about interesting facts and historical events that happened during April. For historical events: the Revolutionary War began on April 19, 1775; the Titanic sank on April 15, 1912; George Washington was inaugurated as the first president of the United States on April 30, 1789; and lastly the first Olympics of the modern era took place in Athens, Greece on April 6, 1986. Also, the cherry blossom trees in Washington D.C. typically bloom in early April. As we look toward end-of-year testing, take some time to reflect on this school year and remember all the fun we have had together. We will all be successful as long as we put forth good effort, have strong determination, and maintain a positive attitude!

See you next month!!

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