



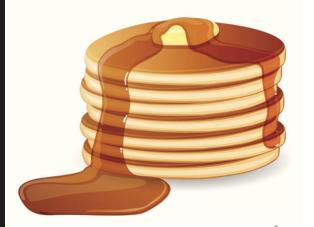
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SAVE THE DATE Fair in the Lair- April 18th

Book Fair- April 17th (3:30-6) & April 18th

Look for complete Fair in the Lair guide in the April-May Dragon Flyer

IMPORTANT DATES

February 14 Parent Teacher Conference 1/2 Day

February 17 Presidents Day- No School

February 22 CES Teachers Pancake Breakfast

February 25 CES General PTA Meeting

March 6 Community Reader Day

March 9-13 Teacher Appreciation Week

March 16-20 Spring Break

March 26-27 Muffins with Mom

April 9 CES General PTA Meeting

April 10 Good Friday- **No School**

April 18 Fair in the Lair



CES Mission and Vision

Mission

Collierville Elementary School equips Little Dragons with the skills necessary to be successful in learning, leadership, and life.

Vision

Collierville Elementary School will inspire every Little Dragon to be thriving and confident students who become life learners and contributing citizens in their community.

BELIEFS

Collierville Elementary School understands the importance of the develop-

ment of the whole child.

Educators reflect upon teaching practices for the purpose of professional growth and the continued enhancement of quality instruction as well as engage in on-going professional development and work collaboratively to share the knowledge we acquire.

All relationships matter and are essential to learning.

Every learner is different. As educators we meet each child where they are and allow them to be active participants in their learning.

Each of us must do our part to create

a safe, respectful and positive environment that encourages learning and risk-taking.

A commitment to student success is a shared responsibility among students, parents, educators, staff, and the community.

Every child deserves to have someone that loves them.

When you set high expectations, all will rise to the challenge by working hard, taking risks, and persevering.

A NOTE FROM MR. SALYER

The Little Dragon Family,

I hope this finds you doing well and having a great semester! We are moving right along and working with each student to achieve their fullest potential. If you have not already, now would be a great time to wash all backpacks, lunch boxes, coats, gloves, hats, etc. Overall, our school has done an excellent job staying healthy, and we all want to keep it that way. Finally, thank you for making sure your child is at school

when they are able and taking them to the doctor when you have concerns.

It has been so cold outside! I know that often kids go from the house to a car that's parked in a garage without thinking they need a coat. We are asking you to please make sure they bring one with them to school on those cold days. Unless it is below freezing, they will still go outside for recess and possibly stand outside for dismissal as well. I know firsthand that kids put up a fight about not wanting to bring or wear a coat, but this is a life skill that we must teach them to keep themselves and everyone they come in contact with healthy. If you need a coat for your child, please contact me or one of our school counselors.

We are currently accepting names for additions to the CES Hall of Fame. Our goal is to fill the wall going into the cafeteria from the main part of the building with people who went to CES and have gone on to do something great. We want our students



to see people who were where they are now and went on to achieve their dreams to remind them that they too can do what they set their mind to. The form to submit names is on our school website. Please help us spread the word!

We are proud to announce our Teachers of the Month for this school year. These are teachers who display excellence in all they do and have been nominated by their peers. This year we are honoring Mrs. Meagan

Holt (3rd grade ELA), Mrs. Meg Payne (Resource), Mrs. Caroline Gilbert (Intervention), and Mrs. Tracy James (STEM). Our Teacher of the Year will be honored in May and is Mrs. Demetrius Marks (5th grade ELA) and our support staff person of the year is Mrs. Dana Wilson (Occupational Therapy). We are grateful to have so many fantastic teachers at CES, and we want to congratulate those that won for this school year.

I am always a phone call or email away. I try to frequently post and share some of the great things going on at school on the CES Twitter and Instagram accounts. You can follow us at @CESLittleDragon.

Every Dragon. Every Day.

Tyler Salyer

A Message from the President

Hello Little Dragon Family and students -

I hope you all had a wonderful winter break and came back to school in January ready to tackle the second semester head on. February is a month usually dedicated to LOVE.....love for one another......love for that special person in your lives.....and love for our children, your children, the Little Dragons.

Stop for a minute in your busy lives, I did this also, and think about why you LOVE that your child is a Little Dragon.

Here is my list, in no particular order:

- The dedicated teachers & staff that go above and beyond for our children in the classroom on a daily basis
- Seeing teachers, faculty, administration show up at my children's ball games and dance shows to support them on the weekends
- The technology our Little Dragons are exposed to at CES and learn through OK sometimes this is a little frustrating when they know more about the IPad than we do! Haha Thanks Mrs. Scruggs;)
- Our school the physical structure It's a beautiful school with amazing murals painted on the walls by our talented art teachers it's a welcoming environment for Elementary age children
- The volunteers, parents like you who are reading this right now, that show up to work in the cafeteria opening ketchup packets, or spend 30 minutes once a week reading to a class, or wrestle with the copier making copies for the teachers so they don't have to waste their planning period doing so
- The PTA for the hardworking board members who with generous donations from families and community members are able to provide opportunities to the Little Dragons such as Community Reader day, Memphis in May day, Spelling Bee, and Walk/Bike to school day just to name a few.

These are just a small sample of items that came to my mind. I could go on and on about our wonderful school but I challenge you to think of why you LOVE that your child is a Little Dragon. The next time someone asks what school your child attends be sure to follow up with one of your reasons why.

Ask your Little Dragon(s) why they LOVE being a Little Dragon(s). You never know what they may say.....maybe it's Pizza day in the cafeteria, maybe it's Tuesdays when their class has recess on the soccer field, maybe it's because Mr. Finley wears a unicorn hat at PBIS assemblies.

Keep Saturday April 18th circled in your calendars – It's Fair in the Lair. You don't want to miss this fun day at CES.

Once a Dragon, Always a Dragon
Willy Wount

PTA Objectives



- 1. To promote the welfare of children and youth in the home, school, community, and place of worship.
- 2. To raise the standard of home life.
- 3. To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.
- 4. To bring into closer relation the home and school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.
- 5. To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education.



Collierville Elementary Pancake Breakfast

Join us for our 11th Annual Pancake Breakfast served by CES faculty and staff.

Where: Collierville Elementary Cafeteria

When: Saturday, February 22, 2020

Time: 7:30-10:30 A.M.

(Come early to avoid the rush!)

Cost: \$5.00 per person

(pictures with Blister and face painting)

Order forms will be sent home with your students weekly folder. Also you can purchase tickets at the school.



Collierville Elementary School presents



Saturday, April 18th 10:00am – 2:00pm

Collierville Elementary School

590 Peterson Lake • Collierville, TN 38017

Come out with your family and friends for a day full of games, food and fun!!!

- Carnival Style Games
- Face Painting

- Hatchling's Playground
- Basket & Silent Auction
- Art Auction
- Book Fair
- Food
- Fun

And so much more!

Additional information coming home in early April.

To volunteer contact Laura Wiseman at fundraisingevents@mycespta.com.

To sponsor an event or donate to the silent auction contact Katie Cockrell at fundraisingsponsorship@mycespta.com

FAIR IN THE LAIR SILENT AUCTION

Our annual Fair in the Lair Auction is coming up on April 18th at Collierville Elementary School. Last year we raised \$8,055.95 at our auction thanks to the generosity of our bidders and people like you who donated items. This year we are hoping to raise even more money to provide Impact Grants to our amazing teachers!

Would you consider donating to our auction?

* Items

* Gift Card

* Certificate for Service

If you are interested in donating to this year's silent auction please contact
Katie Cockrell at fundraisingsponsorship@mycespta.org
or Amanda Cantrell at parliamentarian@mycespta.org

Psst...

We are so glad you are reading our Dragon Flyer! As a way to say thank you, please go to the link below to enter into a drawing!

http://bit.ly/df032020

Little Dragon's Masterpieces



Allison-2nd grade



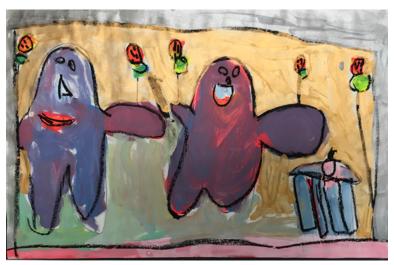
Landon- 1st grade



Campbell- 2nd grade



Anthony- 5th grade



Liliana- Kindergarten



Madilynne-5th grade



Will- 5th grade



Luke- 4th grade



Preston-3rd grade

Please join your child for



Where: CES Cafe

When: March 26 for students with last names A-L And March 27 for students with last names M-Z

Time: 7:45 a.m.

Who: Moms* and their Little Dragons

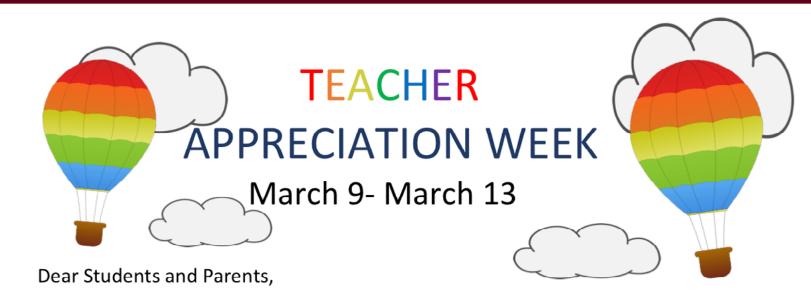
*If mom is not available, another adult may attend with a student.

Start your day with a delicious muffin and put a smile on your child's face. CES PTA will serve FREE muffins, coffee, juice and milk in the cafeteria!

To RSVP look for a flyer coming home in your child's folder.

please return so we have an accurate count

Questions: contact Jami Dickens, familyevents@mycespta.org



We will be celebrating our annual teacher appreciation week the second week in March. This year the theme is **YOU LIFT US UP!** Below is an itinerary of weekly events along with a suggestion of ways you can contribute to the fun of showering our teachers with the appreciation they deserve!

Mon. 9
Let's take a second and HIT 'EM UP!

Have your student high five their teacher today!

Tues. 10

Thanks for helping us to GROW UP!
Have your student bring a flower to say thank you!

Wed. 11

Today is the day to have your student DRESS UP!
Wear your

Wear your teacher's favorite color!

Thurs. 12

It's time to
BUTTER UP
our teachers!
Have your
student write

a sweet note to their teacher!

Fri.13

BUILD UP

your teacher's gift card stash for Spring Break Bring in a \$5 gift card!



*The ideas above are all optional suggestions to participate in the daily themes/ activities.

We can't wait for all the fun to begin! Please contact Whitney Thrower at parentinvolvement@mycespta.org with any questions.





Our school welcomes you to join your child for lunch!

Parents wanting to eat lunch with their child will need to enter and sign in through the front office.

Parents are welcome to park in the front of the school or may park in the side or back parking lots and walk around to the front.

Parents: If you capture a great photo of a
CES student(s) at an event, please share it
with the CES PTA historian!
You can email your photo to: historian@mycespta.org

PTA General Membership Meeting upcoming performances:

February 25th: 3rd grade April 9th: 1st grade



Be on the look out for Spring Dragon Wear coming soon!

2019/2020 CITIZENSHIP ESSAY SUBMISSIONS:

KINDERGARTEN:

Bhuvan Venkat Gude – Jackson

FIRST GRADE:

David McKnatt - Madison

Loretta Nash - Luzar

SECOND GRADE:

Shepard Silvius - Campbell

Amelia Palmer - Cobb

Campbell May – Cobb

THIRD:

Austin Comer – Dormayer

Nolan Guill - Haycook

FIFTH

Ava Brice - Riener

Joelle Miller - Floyd

Calling all CES Alumni - - - - Dragon Dozen Scholarship

The Dragon Dozen Scholarship is awarded annually to two Collierville High School seniors by the Collierville Elementary School PTA. This year, the CES PTA will be offering two \$1,000 scholarships. Scholarships will be paid directly to the University to which the applicant will be attending.

Applicants must fulfill the following requirements to be considered for the Dragon Dozen Scholarship:

- » Be a Dragon for their entire educational career K-12 (CES, CMS/WCMS and CHS).
- » Provide three letters of recommendation: two recommendations from teachers and one from another source (volunteer work, coach, church, etc.).
- » Write a 300 word essay on "What it means to be a Dragon."
- » Turn in application by Monday, March 2, 2020.
- » Recipients of scholarships will be notified via email and will be awarded at the PTA General Membership meeting on April 9, 2020 at $6:30\,\mathrm{pm}$.

For additional information or a scholarship packet please see the guidance counselors at CHS or email president@mycespta.org.

It's BOX TOP time at CES!

HOW TO EARN BOX TOPS MAKES IT EASY

No more clipping. No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the ALL-NEW Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online.

Twice a year, your school will receive a check and can use that cash to buy whatever it needs!

Stacy Lawber
Beautification/Box Tops





2020 - 2021 CES-PTA Volunteer Form

As a parent/guardian, your involvement in the CES-PTA is vital! The CES-PTA is a direct link between our children, their teachers and the school administration. Our goal of "ensuing community support for quality public education" could not be met without the wonderful parents of CES. If you wish to make a difference, we have exciting opportunities for you.

We are looking for volunteers to serve on the CES-PTA Executive Board next year. If you have an interest in volunteering to be involved with the PTA, please complete the form below and return it to CES. Below are the four positions on the CES-PTA Executive Board:

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

If you have any questions or would like a complete description of each area, please contact Amanda Cantrell, parliamentarian@mycespta.org.

Thank you f PTA.	or considering this request and we look forward to	your participation in your
	— — — Please detach and return to school. — —	
Name:		
Phone:		
Email:		

If you are interested in volunteering to chair and/or to serve on one of the above committees, please enter the CES PTA position below in order of preference.

	Executive Board Positions	Have you had any experience with a PTA?
1		
2		
3		



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Beautification/Box Tops	Communications	Cultural Arts
Dragon Wear	Family Events	Fundraising Events
Fundraising Sponsorship	Health & Safety	Historian/P.R.
Hospitality	Legislative	Membership
Parent Involvement	Special Events	Volunteer Coordinator

If you have any questions or would like a complete description of each area, please contact president@mycespta.org.

Thank you for considering this request and we look forward to your participation in your PTA.

Please detach and return to school.					
Name:					
Phone:					
Email:					

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	Interested in Chairing	Interested in Serving
1		
2		
3		

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