



Appleton Elementary School

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Dec. 19, 2017 Appleton Elementary Principal Update

For Your Calendar

Thur. Dec. 21 4:00 PTA in the library

Fri. Dec. 22 - 2:30-3:30 Appleton Christmas Sing-a-long

Dec. 23-Jan. 7 Christmas Break

Jan. 8 - No School - Teacher Workday

Thur. Jan. 18 - Papa John's Pizza Night

Dear Appleton Families,

Three years ago, our PTA President, Chad Horton, and the rest of the PTA decided to make a big change in how funding was gathered for the PTA. Up to that point, Appleton students and their families had been tasked with multiple magazine/catalog sales each year. This practice typically sent 60%-80% of sales to a company somewhere else.

The idea of a Spell-a-Thon was first brought to the PTA from 2nd grade teacher, Kim Morelli, who had seen it work at another building. That decision to move away from catalog sales received much support. Now we retain 100% of the collections and our students have an academic focus to go along with it. This year's Spell-a-Thon was incredibly well supported! Our Appleton community nearly doubled the pledges. We should top out at just over \$20,000 raised!

I know I can speak for the PTA board and the Appleton staff when I say how humbled and appreciative we are with these generous donations. A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Spell-A-Thon! This is exciting news and we are already looking to purchase two much needed laptops for our computer labs to help with our student population growth. The purchase of these learning tools is due to the generous spirit of our donors, the effort of our Appleton families, and the enthusiasm of our amazing students! THANK YOU!

Canned Food Drive

Amazing support of the Burton Orthodontics/Salvation Army Food Drive! Last year our school collected 1,918 items of food. This year we collected a whopping 4,633!!! This may put us in the running as one of the top schools and be eligible for

a cash award to our PTA. Besides that, we just helped a lot of families. Once again, the Appleton community's generosity shines bright!

Appleton's Annual Christmas Sing-a Long

On Friday at 2:30pm in the South gym, all our students will join the staff in celebrating the Holiday season with song. Parents are welcome to attend though it will be standing room only. This is a big event with lots of people and lots of fun.

Best Regards,

Corey Hafey

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