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Sweetwater School

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Our Sweetwater Mission - Creating Leaders of Today and Tomorrow

Sweetwater Website: <http://sweetwater.wedschools.org/>

November - December 2018 Enrollment - 534 Students

Principal's Message:

Dear Parents,

As we near the close of 2018, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families for their continuing support of our teachers and students at Sweetwater. During first semester, parents have attended First Quarter Awards Assemblies, sporting events, our Family 7 Habits/Title 1 Night and our fabulous Grand Person's Day -- to name a few things. We have teachers volunteering to host all kinds of after-school clubs and activities for which students generated the ideas.

The biggest contribution to support our school was your vote for the Washington School District Override. Thank you for making sure that our art, music and physical education programs can continue to thrive. These areas are so important to our Leadership program, as we know that many students demonstrate their gifts and strengths through these enriching experiences. Full-day kindergarten will also be able to continue, which is so important to lay a solid foundation for student achievement.

Attached, you will find our Tax Credit form. We offer you another opportunity to support Sweetwater with a dollar for dollar return on your taxes. Such a deal! Please consider donating to any of the areas of your choice. We always welcome "undesignated" Tax Credit to support our Leader in Me program. Have a happy holiday season and thank you again for all you do.

Sincerely,

Luanne Herman



THIS WILL BE OUR LAST PAPER NEWSLETTER.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR EMAIL WITH THE OFFICE SO YOU CAN CONTINUE TO GET FLYERS AND NEWSLETTERS!

Peachjar Digital Flyer and Email Updates

The WESD is committed to educational excellence and ensuring that parents stay informed about important activities and events that enhance their child's life. In an effort to improve parent and community engagement, we will be implementing Peachjar to send digital flyers and **school newsletters directly to parents via email.** Additionally, all flyers and newsletters will be posted to each school's Web site. Parents will be able to click to register their children for youth sports, enrichment programs, and community events. By using this new system, we expect to eliminate the need to print roughly 2,688,000 sheets of paper per year--nearly 322 trees! The WESD will continue to communicate with parents and community members as we make the transition to Peachjar via the District Web site, social media and email. Please ensure that the WESD has a current email address on file. You will receive emails from the District in case of an emergency as well as for updates about your school and the District. Contact the front office to update your email address today!



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Governing Board: Bill Adams, President • Aaron Jahneke, Vice President
Larry Herrera, Member • Tee Lambert, Member • Nikkie Whaley, Member

Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

BRING YOUR IDENTIFICATION

Bring Your Identification

An ID is required for all persons who are signing out Sweetwater students.

NO EXCEPTIONS!

Sweetwater Calendar of Events

Early Release Wednesdays Dismissal Time – 1:00 p.m.



December

3	Site Council 5:30 p.m.
4	Santa visits Sweetwater
6	Governing Board Meeting 7 p.m. Parent Lighthouse Team 5:30 p.m.
7	Spelling Bee 9 a.m. @ Library
10 - 14	Holiday Hut all week in the Library
10	Band & Strings concert 6 p.m. @ Cafe
10	Free Kona Ice @ Lunch \$1.00 donation suggested
13	Winter Music concert 6:30 p.m. @ Cafe
20	Winter Music show for students only
21	Winter Break begins NO STUDENTS
21 - 31	WINTER BREAK

Sweetwater Parking Lot Procedures



For the safety of our students, parents and staff, we are requesting that you follow a few guidelines when dropping off and picking up your children before and after school.

****PLEASE WAIT** until you get to the blue painted line on the sidewalk to drop off or pick up your children.

****DO NOT BLOCK THE HANDICAPPED PARKING SPOTS.** Parents with handicap plates or signs use these spaces to drop off and pick up their children.

****THE LEFT LANE IS FOR THROUGH TRAFFIC ONLY.** Children or adults are not to be dropped off or picked up in this lane. This lane is not to be used to cut in front of others who have been waiting their turn to pick up or drop off their children.

****CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED TO WALK ACROSS THE PARKING LOT WITHOUT AN ADULT PRESENT.**



Attendance Updates

In order for absences relating to illness, doctor appointment, bereavement, family emergencies, or District-approved vacation to be counted as excused absences, the school must be notified of the absence prior to the absence, or the day of the absence by the parent or legal guardian who has custody of the student. Absences that are not reported will be unexcused. Sweetwater School maintains a 24-hour attendance line where absences can be called in at any time of the day, or night at 602-896-6511.

January

1	Happy New Year!
1 - 6	WINTER BREAK
7	First school day of 2019
10	Governing Board Meeting 7 p.m. Parent Lighthouse Team 5:30 p.m.
15	Whataburger night???
17	Quarter 2 Awards assembly K-3
18	Quarter 2 Awards assembly 4-8
21	MLK day – NO SCHOOL
24	Governing Board Meeting 7 p.m.
25	Kona Ice @ lunch
29	Great Skate 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

WESD District Programs

Are you currently experiencing temporary living arrangements due to eviction, job loss or a traumatic event? Washington Elementary School District offers services to families through the federal McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act. The act requires that children and families who are in a temporary living situation be offered services and supports. Services provided can include enrollment assistance, nutrition services, clothing or school supplies, community referrals, and in some cases transportation. If you are living in any of the following temporary circumstances: with another family or friend due to financial hardship, living in a shelter, transitional housing, in a hotel/motel, you **may** fit the criteria for assistance under this act. Please contact Jamie Smilovici at 602-896-6583 to inquire further about qualifying for this program.

FIRST QUARTER AWARDS AND SPORTS CORNER

PRINCIPAL'S LIST FIRST QUARTER	HONOR ROLL FIRST QUARTER	PERFECT ATTENDANCE
THIRD GRADE	THIRD GRADE	FIRST QUARTER
Harrison Thorp Kaden Bunnell William Watts Jacob Bravo Vivienne Candelaria Rikki Dunn Samuel Hernandez Lauren Reed Payson Starbird Chloe Voyton	Kioie Olvera Faith Paschall Jayde Hooley James Therianos Casey Otis Salena Castillo Jayden Moore Xavier Aragon Marriah Arismendez Jissel Garcia Harlan Marquez Kassidy Morrison Rylee Pease Brookelynn Phillips Anthony Lopez	Brody Douglass Eliana Koontz Lilyanne Moore Anthony Prieto Iona Singer Savannah Mahoney Logan Ramirez Saul Sanchez Desirae Buber Laila Flores Jonah Rowe Eliza Weis Izaiah Gradillas Mia Acosta Meza Vallerite De Los Rios Malaysia Hasan Anthony Rowe James Therianos Vivienne Candelaria Alexa DeLaTorre Hernandez Justice Curtis Henry Klima Chau Pham Deven Proulx Bailee Wyatt Jailyn Dibbern Eliana Gonzalez Nathan Ngo Archer Ralston Kaydance Ready Jenessa Aragon Lukas Deguzman Ty Gerbig Chance Gerbig Sunshine Marquez-Hill Justin Pelkola Dakoda Tatum Samantha Voyten Dylan Dibbern Gage Freischmidt Lukas Logue-Ayers Syriana Quinones Christen Benjamin Tatum Emery Thomas-Hickman Grayson Thorp Raymart Singleton Melanie De Los Rios Justin Kayga Nicholas Martinez Jeran Robinson-Oxley Jaden Candelaria Mia Mazullo Christian More Avery Atwell Ethan Candelaria Lesly Hernandez Cortes Izabelle Hernandez Yamileika Vargas Alyssa Vildosola Milena Alter Mia Geiger Samuel Gonzalez Albert More James Boschma Jaden Graham Noah Htay Matthew Korza Christopher Torres Fernandez Sebastian Rodriguez Andrew Wickert
FOURTH GRADE	FOURTH GRADE	Cross Country
Bailee Wyatt Cynthia Ngo Caelan Sims Chau Pham Nathan Ngo	Parker Heiselman Rylie Deely Jaylene Taylor Jailyn Dibbern Audrina Martinez Trinity Walters Madilyn Paschal Adam Davis Kaydance Ready Ava Speciale Eliana Gonzalez Daylen Truong-Moore Lorna Smook Alanna Aguilera Steven McGlynn	Sebastian Sanchez Justin Pelkola Alexis Balderrama Sadie Short Kacee Nyleen Lesly Hernandez Kayla Sanchez Madison Shaw
FIFTH GRADE	FIFTH GRADE	
Jenessa Aragon Alexis Balderrama Lukas Deguzman Cadence Otis Dakoda Tatum Kyleigh Renek	Logan Sundara-Vu Makailly Mercer Angeliya Acevedo Sunshine Marquez Eliana Gonzalez-Schilling Genesis Baeza Samantha Voyten Kacee Nyleen Navach Armenta Abby Offen	
SIXTH GRADE	SIXTH GRADE	
Madison Hainline Aryiah Pastula Chandler Piotrowski Eddie Ruiz Mina Saleh Raymart Singleton Zoe Steeves Christian Vazquez Hajar Al-Hamedany Gage Freischmidt Hannah Hobaica Luke Ayers Cyrstian Norstrom Syriana Quinones-Christen Grayson Thorp Jazlyn Sandoval Ben Tatum Emery Thomas-Hickman	Vincent Huff Kashlan Marquez-Hill Micah Walp Emily Wickert Gabby Aguilera William Delgado Dylan Dibbern Alexa Meza Brandon Roberts Nicholas Solis-Felix Hannah Stapley	
SEVENTH GRADE	SEVENTH GRADE	
Jon Beasley Melanie De Los Rios Nicholas Martinez Calvin Ngo Asoniti Buffington Kelly Donnell Christian More Tamar Okasazian Robi Piotrowski Natalie Vazquez	Hussein Al Aboudi Gabriel Kesterson Deserae Olivas-Howe Benjamin Porter Jeran Robinson Oxley Nevaeh Sandry Clarissa Thurber Benicio Wilson Haarklan Bryce Hailey Strobot Hailey Gray Mia Mazullo Michael McArdle Joshua Plain	
EIGHTH GRADE	EIGHTH GRADE	
Dalilah Campbell-Hicks Danielle Chandler Izabelle Hernandez Yamileika Vargas Avery Atwell Ethan Candelaria Alyssa Vildosola Al'Tinah Bell Mia Geiger Olivia Wilson Milena Alter Kayla Sanchez Chavarria Steven Hill Albert More	Lesly Hernandez-Cortes Elysian Thompson Talya Roloff Nathan Stapley Kaylee Whitaker Eliel Acosta Meza Silas Chictarello Joslynn Reyes Emiliano Lugo Severo Danielle Shirum Faith-Ann Wardell	

