

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PARK

MARCH WHAP

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

March has begun and we are starting off with a bang. We have Student Led Conferences THIS WEEK. If you haven't secured your spot already, please do so by heading to our [WEBSITE](#) and using the links to sign up for a time to meet with your student's teacher. This school year is winding down, but we are still hard at work and would love to be able to communicate successes and concerns about your children during this last conference.

Please be on the lookout for a separate email with the Leadership Story of the month. Remember, your student needs to watch the video and then fill out the form afterwards to be entered in a drawing to receive the book!!

We have a BUSY month scheduled. As you are aware from the flyers your children came home with, we have a reading fundraiser happening NOW. The read-a-thon will be on Friday during the school day. We are so appreciative of any donations for this fundraiser! We also look forward to seeing you on Monday, March 7th between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm for our Family Reading Night. Due to Covid, we will be having a drive thru event, instead of in-person. We do hope to see you and your family there!

Look for more information coming about our virtual Leadership Day!!

As you are looking at the calendar for the month, just a quick reminder that the Utah Food Bank Truck comes to Park once a month. They come with food for our families. You and/or your children are welcome to come to the cafeteria to grab what they've brought. This is FREE and such a great service for our school.

If I can help in any way, please reach out to me!

Have a WONDERFUL month!

Happy March,



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Counselor Corner for March

Welcome to March Madness!! Here at Park Elementary, March Madness is less about the NCAA Championship and more about focusing on **College and Career Readiness (CCR)**. Research shows that kids who decide in elementary school that they want to seek higher education are far more likely to complete a degree through higher education. Whether it's a 1 year certification program through a technical college like [MTech](#), a 2 yr associates degree or certification program or a bachelor's degree and beyond, students who start planning now are far more likely to achieve that goal. Research also shows that those who complete some level of higher education get better jobs with higher pay. Throughout the month of March, we will focus on starting now to make College and Career goals. We will consider different career paths and related skills that students will need to develop in order to be successful on a chosen career path. We will focus on skills students already have that will help them to be College and Career ready!

Here are some additional resources to help you and your student start making plans for College and Career Readiness. It's never too early to start planning!!

[Keys to Success](#)- explore colleges, careers, scholarships, how to attend college for undocumented students, build a resume, resources for help paying for college, concurrent enrollment and so much more.

[CTE Pathways](#)- students can start as early as middle school or jr high to get started on a CTE Pathway. This can result in more concurrent enrollment credit, high school graduation honors, work based learning opportunities and smoother transitions from education into the workforce. [Utah Career and Technical Education at a Glance](#).

[Utah's System of Higher Education](#)- More information and resources on Utah's public colleges and universities.

[Utah's Statewide On-Line Education Program \(SOEP\)](#)- Provides high quality on-line learning options for students regardless of language, residence, family income, or special needs.

[My529](#)- Start saving now for college with special benefits and tax deductions.

TEACHER AND STAFF APPRECIATION- MARCH 28TH-APRIL 1ST- JOIN IN THE FUN!

Dear Park Elementary Students and Parents,

Teacher and staff appreciation is March 28th –April 1st. The theme this year is Hollywood related titled “OUR TEACHERS ARE STARS.”

You may not know this, but we have 62 employees at Park Elementary that help to run the show to see that your child has a good experience and a great education.

If you would like to take a minute and write a “Fan Mail” note to your teacher and/or anyone else that has helped your child succeed in their time at Park, this is how to do it. There will be labeled bags outside of the rooms for each person that works at Park during this week for your child to place the note in. There will be extra “fan mail” stars in the office if you or your child would like to thank more than what is provided.

I have heard teachers say that one of the biggest ways that they feel appreciated is, receiving a note of thanks. Thank you for taking the time to show your appreciation to our staff and helping them to remember why they do this each and every day for our children.

Use the link below to print off some Fan Mail Stars!



FAN MAIL SMALL.docx

docs.google.com

Scholastic Book Fair



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR THIS WEEK!

AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled to run just three and a half short days....Tuesday, March 1st through Friday, March 4th. We would love your help in running different shifts throughout those three and a half days. If you would be willing to volunteer, please reach out to Jandel Christensen at derry1116@gmail.com Remember, for every shift you help with, you will receive a \$5 credit to the book fair!

Even if you can't help during a shift, please stop by with your children to support the Book Fair!

Thank you for your help!

WE HAVE A LENDING LIBRARY IN OUR BOUNDARIES!

The location for our lending library is 250 E 400 N, Spanish Fork.
Go visit it today!

PARK SCHOOL STORE---- NOW OPEN!

Please head over to <https://parkelementary.axomo.com/> to take a look at our Park Elementary School Store. Items are available for purchase now. There are many different styles to choose from. All items purchased may be shipped to your home or picked up at Namify in Springville at no extra charge. We can't wait to see our students decked out in Park apparel!

NETSMARTZ MONTHLY TIP FOR PARENTS

Click [HERE](#) to enjoy simple tips to creating a more safe tech family. Learn about living a more balanced life, gaming safety, understanding news, managing social media, what you need to know about online predators and much more.

Important Dates



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- * Tuesday, Mar. 1st- Friday, Mar. 4th- Student Led Conferences
- * Wednesday, Mar. 2nd- Spring Pictures
- * Monday, Mar. 7th- Family Reading (Drive Thru) Night- 5:00-6:00 pm
- * Wednesday, Mar. 9th- Teacher Training Day- NO SCHOOL for students
- * Monday, Mar. 14th- Virtual Leadership Day- 9:00 am
- * Thursday, Mar. 17th- Last Day of 3rd Term
- * Friday, Mar. 18th- NO SCHOOL
- * Monday, Mar. 28th- Friday, April 1st- Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week
- * Tuesday, Mar. 29th- Utah Food Bank Truck