

September 29, 2017



REMINDER:

Friday, October 6 – School Improvement Day – NO SCHOOL

Monday, October 9 – Columbus Day – NO SCHOOL

~ PERFORMANCE SERIES ASSESSMENTS FOR GRADES 3-5: Anderson students in grades 3 through 5 will take the reading and math Performance Series computer adaptive assessments between October 2 and October 13, 2017. Please see attached letter for more information.

~ ERIN'S LAW: Erin's Law, named after sexual abuse survivor Erin Merryn, requires public schools to provide a prevention-oriented child sexual abuse program in grades Pre K- 12. This year, all schools in District 303 will continue to implement Erin's Law, utilizing the Child Protection Unit of the *Second Step* resource. Our school social worker and our school psychologist, along with the classroom teacher, will facilitate the lessons, which will address identifying safe and unsafe touch, private body part rules, and learning ways to stay safe.

For more information about Erin's Law, you can access a short video using this [link](#). A letter with this information went home today with your children. Please call me if you have any questions about this curriculum.

~SMILE ILLINOIS AT ANDERSON: Smile Illinois dentists are coming to Anderson School again on November 13, 2017. Applications will go home with your children and are due back at school by 10/6/2017. If you want your child to see the dentist at school, this exam meets the State of Illinois requirements for a dental exam for grades Kindergarten and 2, and also for the exam required for entry into 6th grade.

~DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Oct. 5 PTO meeting
- Oct. 6 SIP Day – **NO SCHOOL**
- Oct. 9 Columbus Day – **NO SCHOOL**
- Oct. 19 Picture Re-Take
- Oct. 27 PTO's Spooktacular Fest
- Oct. 31 Classroom Celebrations
- Nov. 2 PTO meeting
- Nov. 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- Nov. 10 End of 1st Semester/PTO's Bingo Night
- Nov. 13 Book Fair Week starts – PLEASE NOTE CORRECTED DATE
- Nov. 14 Book Fair Family Night – PLEASE NOTE CORRECTED DATE
- Nov. 20 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 21 AM Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 22 Non Attendance Day
- Nov. 23 & 24 Thanksgiving Day Observance – NO SCHOOL

Have a magnificent weekend!





Community Unit School District 303

September 2017

Dear Parent:

Between October 2 and October 13, 2017, students in grades 3 through 5 will be taking the Performance Series computer adaptive assessment. The test has one section for reading/ELA and one for math, approximately 40-50 minutes each.

Performance Series results will be used by your school and student's teacher(s) as one piece of information about how each student is achieving curriculum standards. Results information is used to adapt and plan for instruction, as well as to look at individual student and groups of student's progress through standards over time. Information is also used as a piece of information for student programming such as Academically Talented.

The results of your child's performance on these tests will be posted in HAC and/or available at your school. We appreciate your support of our academic program and your partnership in facilitating your child's learning.

More information about this and other assessments in D303 can be found at <http://district.d303.org/assessment-accountability>

Please feel free to contact your building principal or me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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"Empowering and Inspiring ALL"

From Anderson Elementary PTO:

**Everyone is a hero...
you just need the courage to put on the cape!**

Anderson PTO



Open Volunteer Positions:

Club Chair - Need someone to Chair the after school clubs. Framework is already set, help secure a few new clubs and manage the ongoing ones. Current volunteers ready to participate. Contact Carrie Needham (ptopresident.andersonfoxes@gmail.com)

If we don't have any volunteers to chair the after school Clubs, we will have to cancel them this year.

Spooktacular 2017 - Baking, decorating, donations, event volunteers, set-up and take down helpers, etc. Contact Lisa Cook (Lilimarie82@gmail.com)

Classroom assistants for Art Volunteer in the Classroom - Contact Morgon Mejdrich (mjh913@hotmail.com)

Keep up to date on PTO News... send your email address to PTOSecretary.AndersonFoxes@gmail.com

Anderson Elementary PTO Meeting Oct. 5th

Parents, Attend October's PTO meeting & drop the kids off in the gym. This month's theme is *Game Day!* We love everyone's input and great ideas! Sign-up for committee or just give feedback. Hear new school news from Principal, Mrs. Gonzales.

Meetings usually only last until 7 PM.

& Game Day!

Start time: 6 pm

Parents: Teachers' Lounge

Children: Gym

- Free Throw Contests
- Indoor Races
- Music
- Fun Activities

Please email if you have any questions.

PTOSecretary.andersonfoxes@gmail.com Child care is free, however we are not able to watch infants (but they are welcome at meeting.)