

Villas Elementary School

A Title I School

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Breakfast: 7:25am- 7:55am
Students Hours: 7:55am- 2:10pm
Office Hours: 7:00am- 3:30pm



MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

As this year comes to a close, I can't help but look back at all the wonderful happenings at Villas. I feel so fortunate to be a part of a community that works together as a family to provide enrichment and support to all of our children. The beginning of the holiday season has started. I am amazed at how quickly it seems to come and how quickly they seem to pass. It has become a tradition for Villas Elementary to embark on service opportunities to help others during the holidays. Our school will once again continue those traditions this year. We hope you enjoy the holiday season and winter break with your family and the, remember to read with your children during the break to help keep them on track.

The LCSD Communications Department has started a new website called "The Link"

Each month they will focus on a topic that parents have expressed an interest in gathering more information about. Some examples are Student Assignment, School Safety, How to Help your Child Achieve and many others that can be useful tools for all of us.

The website is www.leeschools.net/thelink

Take some time to see the resources available to you and the many topics chosen. Some topics and tips will also be posted on the District's FB, Twitter and IG pages.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

December's character trait is: KINDNESS
'Demonstrating concern for the well-being of others; giving support and showing empathy'

Here are some traits of kindness to model and encourage:

- * Help others in need, without being asked
- * Forgive others for their mistakes
- * Compliment your friends
- * Use polite words like please, thank you and excuse me
- * Understand the feelings of others (empathy)

Happy Holidays!
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KINDESS MATTERS

Kindness Week:
12/4-12/8



Before School Program

- Begins at 6:45 am
- **ONLY registered students may attend.**
- Cost is \$10 per week per child or \$3 per day per child.

After School Program

- Payments are due on Monday or the first day your child attends
 - Please bring exact change
 - Pick up is by 6:00 pm; \$1.00 per minute will be charged after 6:00 pm
- It is important to remember to:
Bring ID or school issued Parent Pick Up Card when picking up your child.



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Every Day Counts!

A Message from your School Social Worker

At Villas Elementary, we want to see all of our students shine and reach his/her full potential! One of the ways students achieve their highest level of success is by having good attendance habits. Students are considered **chronically absent** if they are missing 10% or more of school, which is just **2 days of school per month!** Parents can make a big difference by helping develop good bedtime and morning routines, minimizing vacations during the school year, and rewarding good attendance habits.

If your student is absent from school for any reason, please call the school the morning of the absence to notify us that they will be out. If you need assistance working on strategies to improve your child's attendance, please reach out to the School Social Worker.

Paul C. Milford, LCSW

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REPORTING OUT OF FIELD TEACHERS:

All teachers at Villas Elementary are Highly Qualified. The following teachers are engaged in training to add the endorsement, English for Speakers of Other Languages, (ESOL) or Autism to their teaching certificate:

- Kristin Wilhelm (ESOL)
- Lorraine Yates (Autism)



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