



# EAST SIDE MONTHLY NEWS

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## Note from the Principal

March is a busy month for East Side. As we get ready for Spring, we also come to the realization that the school year is quickly fading away. At East Side we work to help develop the whole child. This includes trying to help students take ownership in their learning and to think and help others. There are a couple of activities that will allow them to help others.

At the beginning of the month we will be having our annual School Carnival. This is an exciting event for our students and families, and a time to have fun. The money raised through the event goes to support the children's learning here at East Side. Some items purchased in the past are technology items in the school, gym equipment, classroom resources, recess equipment, courtyard shade sails, a new sign, , and support of study trips or speakers to grade levels. We are looking to continue to support our playground and courtyard with money raised this year. Events like the Carnival are only possible through the efforts of our parents and staff. It takes a number of people to help make the event a success, and we hope that you are able to help out in donating, volunteering, or in any other capacity.

We work hard at East Side to provide a great education for your children. One thing we haven't always done is share the great accomplishments at East Side. East Side is one of only about 3 schools who have been designated "Family Friendly" from the State for 6 years in a row. We are also the only Leader in Me and Family Friendly School in the State. This is a great accomplishment and one where we are happy to have received.

## Classroom Attendance Award

We are tracking each classroom's attendance to see which class can win Best Attendance Award. The winning class each month will get to display the award outside the classroom and receive a prize. The award is based on the class that has the least amount of students missing school as well as coming late or leaving early for that month. Be looking next month to see which class wins!

We will recognize individual student each month that have perfect attendance starting with September. Students will receive a certificate. All students are excited to track their attendance as well as the class attendance. Thank you for helping us to teach the students that being at school and being on time is a life skill that will carry over and help when they have their own job.

**Best Class Attendance for the month of January:**  
**1st Place: Mrs. Brouillette's Class**  
**2nd Place: Mrs. Strieby's Class**  
**3rd Place: Mrs. Kuruda's Class**

## Leader in Me

**What Leader in Me Means to Me**

To me, Leader in Me is learning to be a better person. One principle of Leader in me is when you're proactive instead of reactive. For example: I've learned that instead of being upset and angry with someone when they get upset with me, I should stop and talk with them about the problem and work it out.

Another principle of Leader in Me is think win-win. Think win-win is when you include everyone and everyone is happy. For example: The other day I wanted to sit and draw, and my friend wanted to walk around the whole playground twice. So we worked it out. For the first half of recess we walked around the outside of the playground as much as we could, and then for the other half of recess we drew.

### March Calendar

3	Spring Carnival Raffle Ticket Sales End
7	Spring Carnival 2 pm - 5 pm
17	PTO Meeting @ 6PM

#### ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIMES

**SCHOOL OPENS AT:** 7:05AM  
**SCHOOL STARTS AT:** 7:25AM  
**DISMISSAL:** 2:15 pm

\*BUS TIMES - you can find a students pick up or drop off time from our website Click on Quick Links at top of page, then Bus Routes Please have your student out 5 minutes early for morning pick up Remember, bus times are approximate, especially the first few days

## Assessment Dates

As we start the new calendar year of 2020, we would like to remind Parents of 3rd and 4th grade students of some important dates. The following would be the dates as when State Assessments will be administered. Specific testing times in the building have not been arranged yet. We would appreciate your help with not scheduling appointments during the school day for these dates. This just helps to create as much confidence/calmness for your child during the testing window. We understand illnesses can/will happen during this time. Please contact the school when your child is ill, just like always, so we can document in attendance.

IREAD for 3rd Grade: March 16 - April 3

ILearn 3rd and 4th Grade: April 20 - May 15

More information will follow as the testing windows approach. Thank you for your continued support

## Yearbook Sale

Yearbooks are for sale in the office for \$13. If you are paying by check, please make it out to Lifetouch. If you are paying with cash, please make sure you have EXACT change.