



South Park Cougar Courier

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Lynne Brunjak, Principal

Scholar: a person who has an aptitude for study

Dates to Remember

- 3/1 Scholars of the Month Assembly 2:30
- 3/2 - 3/13 Book Fair
- 3/5 PTO Meeting 3:30
- 3/15 4th Grade "Home of Heroes" Performance 6:00
- 3/16 Super Cougar Sprint 10:00-11:00 (concessions will be sold)
- 3/19-3/23 No School Spring Break
- 3/30 No School Teacher Work Day
- 4/2 No School Parent/Teacher Conferences

Principal's Message

Dear Parents & Scholars of South Park:

It is that time of the year again. The flowers are blooming and spring is in the air. Well not quite yet. Please help us to remind scholars of why they are in school. We have three months left of school and many scholars are already "checking out". Grade checks will go home this week and you should look closely at how your scholar is performing. Ask them some questions? Are you completing your work? Are you doing your very best? When the teacher is talking, what are you doing? Ask your students about their AR goal. Have you met your goal? How much more do you need to meet your goal? The success of our scholars takes more than seven hours a day in the classroom. It is a team, school and home, that get the best results. If you have questions, call your scholar's teacher. You need to stay on top of where they are and refuse to take less than their very best.

Our Super Cougar Sprint is coming on the 16th of March. We are asking the scholars to collect donations from family and friends. This fundraiser is very important to South Park. We always have needs that are not met by the district or PTO. We think that this will be a fun and interactive way to get scholars and families involved. The envelope will be coming home this week. We look forward to seeing many of you at the event on Friday, March 16th, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. We have a super hero theme this year. We are all superheroes for South Park.

We will be taking the CMAS tests from April 9th through April 20th. It would be very helpful if you could not schedule any appointments for 3rd, 4th or 5th grade students during these two weeks. It is very important that the scholars get to bed on time and receive an adequate amount of rest. These tests are rigorous; however, we know how well each of our scholars can do on these tests. Help us to make this a very non-stressful and "fun" time for the scholars. We will be asking for snacks and the scholars will have some alternate activities during the days that they are testing. We appreciate your support in this matter. We were "Achievement" last year on the CMAS test. Let's do it again.

Go South Park Cougars!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lynne Brunjak, Principal



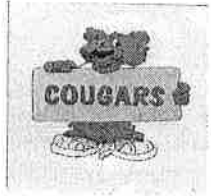
No Bully Corner

Reminder about what is bullying:

Bullying occurs when a student, or group of students, **repeatedly** tries to hurt, humiliate, or get power over another student in any of the following ways:

- Physical bullying
- Verbal bullying
- Cyber bullying
- Relational bullying

Keep in mind that this is behavior that is repeated over and over. If it happens once, it is not bullying.



PRAISE IS ALIVE AT SOUTH PARK!

- P-positive
- R-respectful
- A-accepting
- I-integrity
- S-safety
- E-equality



No Excuses Chant

*South Park Cougars
Rise above the rest
Home of No Excuses
We strive to do our best.*

*Every scholar matters
Success is in our soul
Learning is our future
And college is our goal.*

*College bound Cougars
College bound Cougars
NEU NEU NEU*

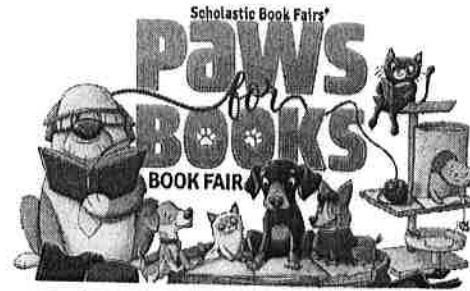


South Park News

Our Destination Imagination (DI) teams are headed to competition on March 10. We wish all of our DI scholars best of luck!!



We are currently selling yearbooks for the 2017-18 school year. The cost is **\$15.00**. You can pick up an order form in the office.



Book Fair is Here!

We are having a Book Fair beginning March 2, 2018 through March 13th. Please stop in and visit the fair. Remember that all profit stays here at South Park. We will be open several evenings during the fair. Watch for posted times! You can visit our online book fair at <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/southparkelementaryschool>.

Tips for Parents About Testing

- Prepare for test day the night before
- Go to bed early to get a good night's sleep
- Eat a healthy breakfast

Encouragement Kids love it & need it!

- Surprise your child with a special note from you
- Praise them for doing their best
- Your enthusiasm and praise for doing his/her best can help reduce your child's test anxiety and boost confidence!