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## October 1, 2013

### BOOK BLAST IS COMING SOON

All students in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate in Book Blast on Thursday, October 31. Students need to wear a costume of their favorite book character to school. This costume must be school appropriate. No weapons are allowed with the costume. Students in the class will guess which character your child has chosen. Supplies for the cake decorating for the cover of their class book will be due October 28. Students will decorate a cake and then eat the cake at the end of the day. All students in grades 3-12 will do oral book reports of their character, even if they do not dress up. Students will be graded on their report and character costume. Students who do not dress up must be in school uniform. No thongs for shoes.

### LABELING STUDENT ITEMS/DRESS CODE

Please remember to label student lunch bags, coats and other items. Students must wear a jacket that zips up and may wear a solid color long sleeve shirt under their school shirt as the weather gets cooler. Students must wear a school shirt or trip shirt daily. No plaid or striped shorts. Shorts must be to the knee for all students.

### ALPHA SOCIETY

This is a society for students who are doing well academically. Students must pass all state exams and exceed in one area of the state tests. This society is for students in grades 4-12. Students must maintain a grade point with only one C each quarter/semester and be a child with a high level of integrity. Field trips and special events will be planned for Alpha Society students. Great job members!

### AIMS TESTING FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Students who need to pass the AIMS assessments in 11th and 12th grade will take these tests on October 22-24. Please make sure your child is on time to school for these dates. Any student who qualifies in 2014 and beyond by exceeding on all three assessments in reading, writing and math will receive a 25% in state tuition scholarship. Students must maintain a B average in all coursework. A passing score on SAT or ACT is needed for 2014 graduates and beyond for the state scholarship.

### FALL BREAK

As a reminder no school October 7-18.

### CASUAL DAY EVERY WEDNESDAY

Students may wear a shirt that is not a school uniform or trip shirt. The fundraiser will go toward the school trips and PE equipment. Each student must pay \$1.00 to participate. No see through/lace or spaghetti straps and shirts must be school appropriate. No stomachs showing. This must be a t-shirt looking shirt.

### ACTIVITIES/DANCES

All students will have the opportunity to participate in themed activities and dances. Students will pay a small fee to participate. The first date is Friday, October 25. These events happen during the school day.

### TITLE I SERVICES

Students are getting additional services to help them attain their skills in reading and math. We are providing additional assistance with paraprofessionals working with your students in grades 2-8. Kindergarten enrichment allows our school to offer a full day kindergarten program for your children. Tutoring is also provided to all students grades 1-high school who need extra assistance. Students are encouraged to attend tutoring weekly. You have been notified by a letter if your child must attend tutoring to improve their skills in reading and math. Remember if you have questions regarding your child please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher for any concerns. Open conferences are held monthly. Parent/student/teacher conferences will be held November 25 and 26.

	<i><b>Important Dates</b></i>
<b>October 1</b>	<b>School Pictures</b>
<b>October 2</b>	<b>Open Conferences 1:15—4:00 PM</b>
<b>October 7-18</b>	<b>Fall Break</b>
<b>October 22-24</b>	<b>High School AIMS 11th and 12th</b>
<b>October 25</b>	<b>Activities K-4, Dance 5-12</b>
<b>October 30</b>	<b>End of First Grading Period Report cards home November 6</b>
<b>October 31</b>	<b>Book Blast/No Tutoring</b>