



# Parent Newsletter

Lindemann Elementary School

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January 2010

Dear Lindemann Families,

Happy New Year! I hope that you enjoyed your Winter Recess and found time to relax. As we quickly get back into the swing of things, January looks to be an exciting month. There are a lot of activities in January for students and our families – check out the calendar.

Sincerely,

Janine Hall, Ed.D.  
Principal  
Lindemann Elementary School

## **SCHOOLS OF CHOICE**

The Allen Park Public Schools will open a limited Schools of Choice program for the start of the second semester for second and fourth grades only. The second semester begins on Monday, February 1, 2010. The following openings are available: Second Grade, 19 and Fourth Grade, 21. Lindemann has openings for fourth grade students only. The application period begins Monday, January 18, 2010. Applications will be accepted in person no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, January 29, 2010 (deadline date) at the Child Accounting Office, Riley Center, 9601 Vine. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If a lottery is needed to select students it will be held in the afternoon of January 29. For more information call 313-827-2105. Please share this information with friends and/or family members who might be interested in having their children become a part of the Allen Park Public Schools' family.

## **COLD WEATHER HAS ARRIVED**



Whenever appropriate, students will be going outside for recess at lunchtime. Temperatures/wind chills of 20 degrees or lower will be our guide to having students inside for recess and for line-up inside before school starts. If the temperature is 20 degrees or lower, or if it is raining, we will open the doors for students to line-up inside at 8:25 a.m. I also look to see how much snow is on the ground. If there is a lot of snow I will have the students come in to make sure they are not soaked by the time they come into the building. I also use the amount of snow on the ground to determine if students go outside at lunch or not.

## **PARENT SURVEY**

A district committee is working to look at entry and exit times for schools. If you would like to have your opinion heard please take the survey at the following URL. Please do so by January 8. The URL where you need to go to take the survey is:

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB229ZBP6LY9B>

It is a very short survey and should take only a minute or two.



## **READ AT NIGHT**

Lindemann School typically does a Read at Night program in February. This has been sponsored by the PTA. This year we decided to not have a formal program – one that counts minutes and gives prizes. Instead, we will do many things in the classroom and your child’s teacher will be the one to tell you what is going on to encourage reading at home and everywhere. We will still have guest readers and minutes to read at home. The teachers will be keeping track of their own activities. We want to make reading enjoyable but also want to take away the contest atmosphere of a program. Look for activities from your child’s teacher to help promote reading.

This also means that the Read at Night program set for 6:30 on February 5 has been cancelled. We will be looking forward to seeing many of you at the Dad/Daughter Dance on February 19.

## **THE LINDEMANN CALENDAR:**

Jan. 7	PTA mtg., cafeteria, 7:00 p.m.
Jan. 13	½-day, teacher in-service, students dismissed at 11:45, no PM K
Jan. 15	Market Day pick-up, cafeteria, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Jan. 19	Elementary honors chorus and MS Choir, Center for the Arts, 7:00 PM
Jan. 29	End of first semester and 2 <sup>nd</sup> cardmarking ½ day for elementary students, PM K attends in the AM
Feb 4	PTA meeting cafeteria, 7:00 p.m.
Feb 5	Report cards go out
Feb. 10	Second Student Count Day
Feb. 11	Parent Conferences, dismissal at 11:45, no PM K
Feb 15-16	Mid-winter recess.
Feb. 23	PTA/PTSA Founder’s Day event at MS