# TIGER TRACKS

#### Northern Lights ABC School Newsletter

CHARACTER BUILDING BLOCKS			
Friendship			
Work	Email Faceboo	<u>k School Website SignUp</u>	
Respect	Dear NLABC Families,		
Perseverance	We are now in the season of giving thanks. I know I am so thankful to be able to work at an amazing school, serve incredible students and families, and have a dedicated staff, who		
Patriotism			
Generosity		are wonderful to work with and to learn from each other. As you know, Northern Lights ABC has a time honored tradition	
Compassion	of having a Thanksgiving meal together. I would like to thank our Feast Committee of: Amber Forth, Brittani Clancey, Karen Nunes, Preston Whited, Flora Teo, and Brian Whitson, who put many hours into making this continued tradition a wonderful event for our students.		
Tolerance			
Courage			
Honesty	Without the time and donations of so many of our volunteers, we could not continue with this event, so THANK YOU for		
Loyalty	everything you do to support our school. Hope you had a Happy Thanksgiving, Tammy Duff Principal		
Humility			
Self Confidence			
Self Discipline			
Independence			
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## **Messages from the Principal**

Parents:

When dropping off in the mornings, please pull forward. If you are dropping off near the gates so your students can walk to the back of the school, otherwise you are holding up traffic because cars cannot get around during the busy times.

Please be courteous to all drivers and pull forward. See the map below at the green dot.





We have families who have paid for the Auction Parking Spaces in the front parking lot, see picture below. Please be courteous and do not park in those two spaces. They are reserved for the winners of the silent auction who paid for those spaces for this school year.



#### Get to know more NLABC staff

#### My name Brenda Barnett

I went to UAA, UAF, and UAS. I also attended classes at APU. I've been teaching since 1996. In that time I've worked with preschool to 12th grade students in all subjects/special education. I've been at NLABC since 2001. I taught K-8 special education for 6 years, 5th grade for 5 years, and 3rd grade for 7 years.

I love teaching children the three R's, including the high expectations they reach. I also enjoy interacting with them and their parents. I love to see and hear about their success in all areas of their lives.

When I am not teaching I enjoy working out, cooking, reading, gardening, water sports, and skiing.





My name is Denise Cotten,

I went to the University of North Georgia (previously North Georgia College & State University). Then started my 11 years of teaching full-time with 15 counting subbing. The part I love about teaching are those "lightbulb moments"; laughing and learning.

At leisure, I enjoy theater (acting), reading, and binge watching. I've been married for 21 years, and we have two daughters in 10th and 6th grade. We also have a dog.



# A Cyber Safety Evening for Parents

Please join us for a parent evening to discuss cyber safety issues as they relate to students. NLABC Board Member and parent Ryan Radford will host this event, joined by law enforcement representatives from the FBI and APD.

## **For All NLABC Parents**

Due to the sensitive nature of topics, please do not bring children under 12 years old.

## Thursday December 5th at 6:00 pm NLABC Multi-Purpose Room

In November, students in grades 6-8 were given a presentation about online safety. This parent presentation is a follow-up meeting for parents to learn more about how they can help protect their students online and answer parents' cyber safety questions.

## We hope to see you there!

#### Reminders

## Siblings are not automatically enrolled into NLABC

Do you have a sibling entering Kindergarten this year? Please remember to enter your child in the online lottery process! The **lottery opens January 1**<sup>st</sup>. <u>Siblings are not automatically</u> <u>entered</u>, but are entered into the lottery process manually.

Do not forget to write you have a current student/sibling that is already enrolled in Northern Lights ABC.

You may access the online lottery through your current ASD student's Zangle Parent Connect account. Children are eligible to go through the lottery if they will be 5 years of age on or before September 1 of the year that they will start kindergarten.

The deadline for submitting a lottery application online for the 2020/2021 school year closes during the last couple weeks of March.



Orders have arrived! Your child received their order on Tuesday, December 3rd.

#### Help keep your everyone safe



Please do not double park on Laurel Street. It's illegal and not safe for our students or staff.

We will not allow students to get into a car when it is doubled parked.

Thank you!



We are in need of noon duties and substitute teachers.

Want to help? Call 742-7500 OR apply at https://www.asdk12.org/Page/2390

## Thanksgiving Celebration Swap-Rack Donations

Thank you to everyone who donated items to the Thanksgiving Costume Swap Rack this year. Every costume was able to be used for a student this year!

We kindly ask that those who borrowed items return them to the Return Bin by Monday, December 9th. The bin is labeled and located in the foyer.

Additionally, any outgrown costumes and accessories that you would like to donate to another student next year can be put in the Return Bin now, and will be added to the swap rack next year.





Your NLABC PTA would like to give a **A HUGE THANK YOU AND SHOUT OUT** to our amazing principal, **Mrs. Duff**, for being such a strong supporter of NLABC PTA and even spending from 7AM till 10:30PM at school so we could put on this event and donating her extra yummy Jambalaya to our auction. **Our front office ladies**, **Mrs. Harrington & Mrs. Mone**, who not only fielded endless carnival ticket paperwork, countless volunteers, and many questions and call from parents but also worked the entire day and evening. All of our NLABC Staff who stayed the entire day and then extra on their own time to attend and help with our event. All of our teachers who kindly trusted us to open and use your classrooms for our games. To the following parents (& their children who also patiently spent many hours after school waiting, helping, and then thinking they may been sleeping there) who coordinated our fun fall carnival & silent auction as this event would have not been possible without your help volunteering countless hours to put on this fun evening for our NLABC Community!

#### A BIG TIGER THANK YOU goes to:

**Preston Whited,** our carnival coordinator, as this carnival wouldn't have happened without you! Preston spent many hours trying to make sure there were fun games and activities, and everyone had a great time.

**Nikki Rose** (our former coordinator) for getting all of our **pizzas donated**, cooked & delivered from **Papa Murphy's** on Huffman. Please support them and give them a thank you when you do for supporting NLABC.

**Karen Nunes & Sandra Nunes**, who made sure we had enough volunteers, and then organized them when all of the many wonderful volunteers who either helped or brought items we needed or kindly did both.

**George Gates**, our treasurer, who made sure we had enough change and ticket stations to make sure the lines moved quickly and then with **Mrs. Duff** was the last one to leave after counting tickets.

Flora Teo, our middle school coordinator, who headed up our middle school fundraisers.

Jamie Donley, who coordinated our food and handled 100 pizzas, chips, and drinks with ease.

Wei Chang, Tanya Pont, & Sandra Nunes who coordinated the fundraising for both Frackman & Walsh classes on the behalf of 6th Grade Camp.

**Tons of Fun Entertainment** for providing the inflatables and dunk tank. Also, our school janitors, who stayed extra hours making sure our school sparkled again.

We also had a few of our incredible **NLABC Graduates** reach out to us offering spend their Friday evening with us volunteering at our carnival!

Riley Cravens, Kasey Romspert & Shane Pattie, you all are shining examples of everything we all love about NLABC. Thank you for returning the support!

THANK YOU to the following volunteers who with brought items, donated time precious time or did both.

Thank you to all of you who made cakes for our cake walk.

Let's not forget to thank some incredible **youth groups here in our Anchorage community,** who came and volunteered their evening and worked extremely hard and were so wonderful!

Service Bio-Med, Service High ROTC, and West High ROTC.

#### A BIG TIGER THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS:

7 & 8 Graders | Grace Verley | Kiana Belanger | Ms. Coffman | Riley Cravens Alison Jong | Heather Poe | Landon Forth | Mrs. Cotten | Rita | Tanya Pont Amanda Geisdorf | Ivy Peters | Leah West | Mrs. Duff | Robert & Yolanda Wray Amber Forth | Jamie Donley | Lina Quan | Mrs. Eastonn | Roxsann Bugarin | Ashley Logue | Jeanette Guzman | Lindsey Lea | Mrs. Heinrich | Sabrina Neel Brenda Barnett | Jennifer Lennox | Lindy Jeppson | Mrs. King | Sandra Nunes Brian Whitson | Jessica Sulley | Luz Vargas | Mrs. Navio | Sandy McDermott Brian/Bessie Paraoan | Jessie & Joy Maglaqui | Maria Muldoon | Nicole Allen Seraya Mone | Brittani Clancey | Jewel Santiago | Mary Reynoso | Nikki Rose Service Bio-Med Students | Brooke Sillers | Julie Harrington | Melissa Gould NLABC PTA | Service ROTC | Cindy Smith. Kae Iwata Adams Melissa Joseph Paige Henry | Shane Pattie | Elena Spilsbury | Jewel Santiago | Molly Hart Patty Whited | Shawna Jones | Elizabeth Kiddle | Mr. Cullings | Paul & Sarah Thiel Flora Teo | Kae Iwata Adams | Mr. Dickson | Peace Afieroho | Theresa Ronco James Frackman's 6th Grade Class | Karen Nunes | Mr. Duff | Preston Whited | Tiffany Hahn | Francisca Gutierrez | Kasey Romspert | Mr. Nunes | Rachel Kemp | Walsh's 6th Grade Class | George Gates | Katie Hultquist | Mr. Rath |Rachel Knauss | Wei Chang | Gina Stevens | Kelly Haag | Mr. Shasby | Rain Rogel West High ROTC | Grace T Addo | Kelly Pendley | Mr. Walsh | Ralph Dimaano

And thank you to all of you who stay after to help with clean up.

We absolutely could not have pulled off our largest fundraiser of the year WITHOUT YOU!!!! Your volunteerism is appreciate by our staff, students and families who are all directly benefit when you give to our NLABC PTA.

#### Thank you Sarah!



Northern Lights ABC would like to give Sarah Thiel a big THANK YOU!!! She single handily organized our Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser and earned a profit of \$2,171 for your NLABC PTA. Thank you also, to all the students and families who participated!

Mrs. King's class was the top seller with \$1,128 in sales for Primary classes.

Mr. Dickson's class was the top seller for Secondary coming in at \$527 in sales.

Instead, of lunch for the top selling classes, all 41 students who participated had a special catered lunch from Texas Roadhouse with a special guest, Andy the Armadillo.

#### 2019-2020 Middle School Spirit Days

Friday, December 13 - Fire and Ice Dance for a Cause Friday, January 10 - NFL Day Friday, February 7 - Sock Hop Sadie Hawkins Dance Thursday, March 5 - Super Hero Day Friday, April 10 - Guys in Ties, Girls in Pearls Dance Friday, May 1 - Dress like your Favorite Teacher Day Wednesday, May 20 - 8th Grade Recognition Ceremony

> All ASD and school dress code rules apply. Dances are held in the MPR 3PM - 4:30pm. Permission slip and fee required.

### **OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Thursday, Dec. 5 ......Parents Assembly Cyber Safety 6:00pm
- Thursday, Dec. 12 ......B/O/C Concert 7:00pm 8:00pm
- Tuesday, Dec. 17 ......Highland Academy Visiting 8th Grade 12:30pm-1:30pm

#### Dec 20- Jan. 3 .....Winter Break: NO SCHOOL

- Thursday, Jan. 9 ......Middle School Academic Awards 2:25 2:45pm
- Friday, Jan. 10 .....Second Quarter Academic Awards 8:30am 10:30am
- Friday, Jan. 17 .....Primary Spelling Bee (grades K 3)
- Monday, Jan. 20 ......Martin Luther King Jr. Day: NO SCHOOL
- Friday, Jan. 24 .....Intermediate Spelling Bee (grades 4 6)
- Tuesday, Jan. 28 ......Battle of the Books District Battle (grades 5-6)
- Thursday, Jan. 30 ......Battle of the Books District Battle (grades 3-4)



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