

Coyote Howler

JANUARY 27, 2023

PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

Dear Kincaid Families,

Starting Monday, January 30th, our school day will increase by 30 minutes. Student's will be dismissed at 4:00 pm. Our primary students are the first dismissed each day and we request that K-2 parents are in the front of the parent pick-up line. Intermediate parents can arrive right at 4:00 pm and you will be just on time. It takes us about 10 minutes to get through our parent pick-up line. But, if our primary kiddos can load first the line will move more quickly.

We always have a very busy spring semester. Check out our calendar of events. There are many volunteer opportunities for our community to participate in. This Coyote Howler has details about Kindness Week, Winter Family Fun Night, Junior Achievement in a Day, Barnes and Nobles Book Fair, and job opportunities at Kincaid.

We have been struggling this year to fill key positions in our school. District wide, we continue to be short staffed. Kincaid is a great school and we would love for you to share the possibilities with people you might know who are looking for work and are exceptional with children. Our staff continues to carry the extra load to cover the unfilled positions. We appreciate your support in sharing.

We continue to look for a Cafeteria Manager to serve our students hot meals. Starting next week, ASD Student Nutrition will be sending over a new meal to replace our shelf stable meals. These meals are similar to lunchables, that many children bring to school. I am attaching the details for the ingredients of the meals in this newsletter. These meals require refrigeration.

I wanted to send a BIG shout out and THANK YOU to our School Business Partner, **Texas Roadhouse**. Friday, February 3rd they will be providing a pulled pork lunch for **all** students at Kincaid. They noticed that we still do not have a cafeteria manager and our kids were not offered hot lunches. What a great way to end our Kindness Week, with a kind act from our school business partner. Students who have food allergies to the pulled pork, corn, and salad, will want to provide their own lunch on that date.

We invite all parents and guardians to provide feedback to us by taking our [School Climate and Culture Survey](#).

Sincerely,

Wendy Zorea
Principal



Anytimer Meal Bundle 1-27-23.pdf

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT KINCAID

Kindergarten Paraprofessionals: These positions work with a classroom teacher. They often work with individual students who require extra support. They may prepare materials for the teacher and provide assessments. They also are our recess managers and spend four 30 minute recesses outside to supervise students during outdoor play. We have three open positions.

Special Education Paraprofessionals: We have one opening in our Life Skills program and one opening in our Resource program. Paraprofessionals work under the supervision of a special education teacher to work with individual or small groups of children who have special education services.

Cafeteria Manger: ASD has had a shortage of mangers this school year. We may not serve hot meals until we have a trained manager assigned to our kitchen.

[Clicke Here For Complete Job Descriptions and to Apply](#)



IMPORTANT DATES

January 30-February 3: **Kindness Week**

February 3: **Texas Roadhouse LUNCH for students**

February 4: **Barnes and Noble Book Fair**

February 10: **Ice Cream Social for All students**

February 10: **Family Winter Night 5:30-7:30 (Dependent on Weather)**

February 13: **Canned Food Drive Begins**

February 17: **JA in A Day. Volunteers Needed.** [Sign Up Here](#)

February 20: **President's Day** (no school)

March 13-17: **Spring Break**

March 23: **Texas Roadhouse Dine-In 4:00-9:00**

March 31: **STEAM Night @ 6:00 pm. Volunteers need. Email PTA @ kincaidschoolpta@gmail.com**

April 25: **Tastee Freez Take-Over**

May 10: **Spring Pictures**

May 22: **Field Day** (Volunteers email Mr. Akin @ akin_tim@asdk12.org)

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

LOTS of things are coming from the Student Council this quarter!

- **KINDNESS WEEK: January 30-February 3**
 - Monday: Disney Day
 - Tuesday: Sports Day
 - Wednesday: Wacky Day
 - Thursday: Tropical Day
 - Friday: PJ Day
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- Reps will be bringing Kindness checklists and stickers for teachers to distribute on Monday, January 30. Please encourage along the week and we'll come by the following Monday to collect the checklists back. Kindness t-shirts should be coming!
 - Kindness week will end with a meal provided by Texas Roadhouse: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, salad and corn.
- **FRIENDSHIP GRAMS: February 13-16.** 50 cents each, same selling times as Candy Grams. 1-4: before school, 5-6: their lunch, K: coming to you
- **CANNED FOOD DRIVE: February 13-24.** We are partnering with PTA for CANstruction and possibly creating a couple structures for STEAM night. Prizes will hopefully be:
 - 1st place: pizza party
 - 2nd place: ice cream
 - 3rd place: popsicles

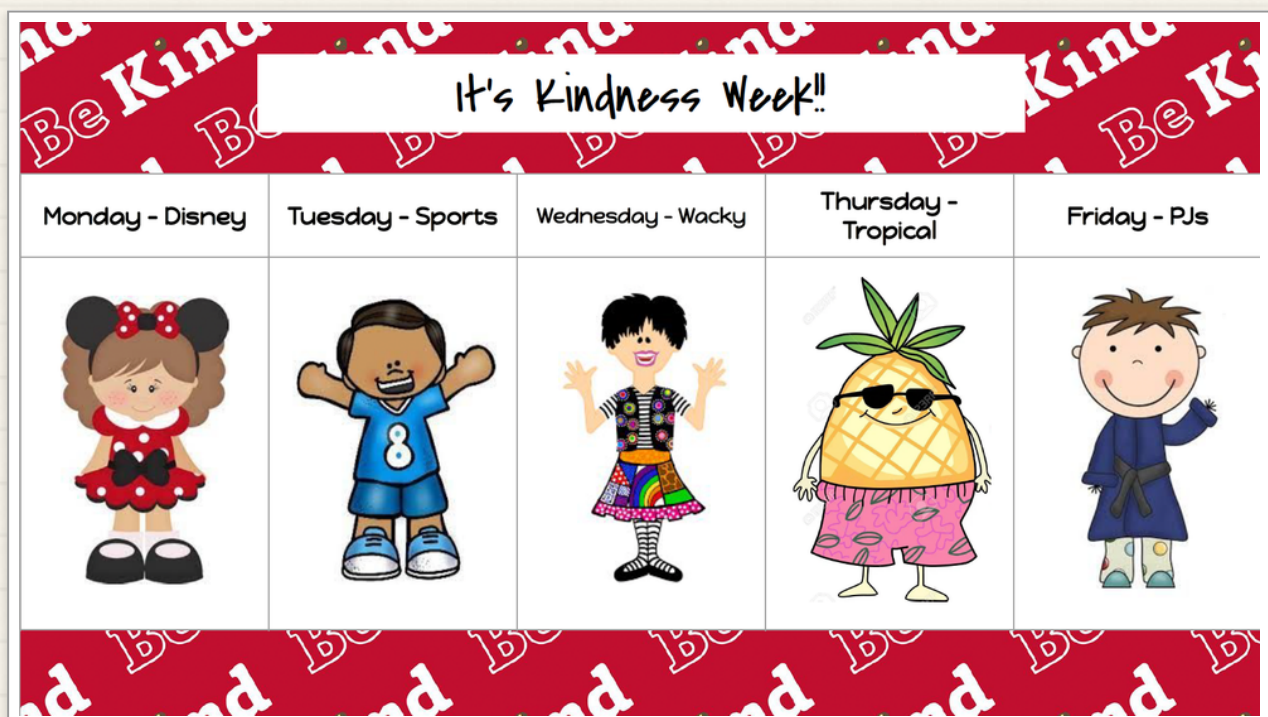
As always, thank you for supporting your Student Council!!

Alyssa Curry

6th grade

Kincaid Elementary

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Snow Days Makeup Days



+30 Minutes
End of Day



Important Dates to Remember:
February 22, 23, 24 full instructional days.
Students attend school.



WINTER FAMILY FUN NIGHT


Pull out your cross-country skis, sleds, or snow shoes! Our PTA is sponsoring a fun event with music, s'mores and more. All students must be supervised by a parent or guardian during this community event.

When: February 10 5:30-7:30

Where: Kincaid Elementary Playground

BARNES AND NOBLE BOOKFAIR

Barnes and Noble Bookfair is coming up! We'll be at the store with activities for families Saturday, February 4th from 11:00-2:00. I thought I'd continue with Kindness Week, so all activities will be centered around that theme.



Kincaid Elementary Barnes & Noble Bookfair

Saturday, February 4th, 11:00-2:00

Barnes & Noble

200 East Northern Lights Blvd

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

- Create KINDNESS activities at the craft tables
- Listen to staff read aloud their favorite book
- Go on a scavenger hunt
- Browse and buy books anytime between February 4-9

Mention Kincaid Elementary at the store or input
Bookfair ID# **1264239** online at checkout

All purchases benefit the Kincaid Library!

Can't attend our bookfair at Barnes & Noble?

Visit bn.com/bookfairs to support us online

from 2/4/23 to 2/9/23

by entering Bookfair ID# **1264239** at checkout.

A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchases
will benefit our school/organization.

JA IN A DAY

Kincaid's JA in a Day is on February 17th and coming up quickly! We still need help finding 12 more volunteers. Volunteers can be parents, grandparents, etc. [Sign Up HERE!](#)

Junior Achievement's **JA in a Day** events provide ongoing opportunities for community members to connect with students in schools and share their enthusiasm with students in a fun and engaging way. The time commitment is only 1 day, for 2 – 4 hours. You will be joining leaders from all industries so the day can be focused on careers.

What you will be doing:

- Having guided discussions and presenting activities provided by JA on financial literacy, workforce readiness, and entrepreneurship.
- The teacher stays with you in the classroom the entire time
- JA provides all the materials for the classroom, and training videos

- The time commitment is 2 – 4 hours on the day of the event (+30–45 minutes of prep time)
- Breakfast and lunch are provided.

Want more information?

You can watch a [short 2 minute video about it here](#)

Here's what to do next:

Click here to sign up

Once signed up, you will receive a confirmation email with onboarding instructions (required paperwork, training, etc.)

We hope you will join us; we have many needs, and you can help make a difference this year!

Please forward this email to anyone you think may be interested in volunteering. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Hilton | Vice President of Elementary Programs

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JA-IN-A-DAY



Kincaid Elementary

Friday, February 17, 2023

Great news! We are bringing volunteers into classrooms to deliver Junior Achievement programs on financial literacy, work readiness, and entrepreneurship. Students love JA for their interactive and fun lessons. Teachers love the way JA backs up core curriculum, encourages literacy, and provides a connection with the real world.

Here's what to expect:

- JA will provide the training and the JA kits have everything you need for a fun, interactive experience.
- Volunteers will deliver the 5-6 JA sections that make up their grade-appropriate JA program.
- Teachers remain in classroom all day to aid in classroom management as well as catch up on paperwork and planning.
- JA programs will take up the entire day, but younger grades may finish up early.



Sign up to volunteer!

www.engage.ja.org

Questions? Contact Rebecca at rhilton@ja-alaska.org

Volunteers Needed!

Kincaid Elementary - JA in a Day

DATE: February 17, 2023

A volunteer is needed for the following classrooms:

Kinder: McConnell, Smith,

1ST: O'Dell, Cambell

2ND: Sylvester

4TH: Allen

5TH: Goetz

6TH: Curry, Baski



JA IN A DAY BRINGS VOLUNTEERS INTO CLASSROOMS TO PROVIDE ALASKAN STUDENTS WITH LESSONS IN FINANCIAL LITERACY, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, AND WORK READINESS.

CONTACT US

EMAIL: RHILTON@JA-ALASKA.ORG
Sign up at: <http://engage.ja.org>

ALL MATERIALS AND TRAINING ARE PROVIDED

JA in a Day



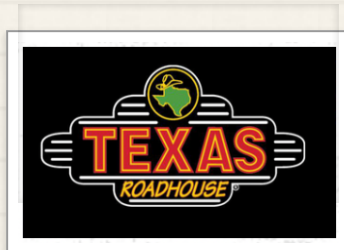


VISITORS AND VOLUNTEERS

If you plan to volunteer this year in the classroom or on a field trip, you are required to have an application approved with ASD. We ask that all of our volunteers fill this application out now because it can take up to 7 days to get approved. [Volunteer Application](#)

All visitors must stop at the front office and check in with Kelly or Sandie. Visitors may not go to a classroom unless we have contacted the teacher to let them know you are on your way. Visitors may only enter the school through the front door. If you are dropping something off for your child or for the teacher, you may leave it at the office.

THANK YOU SCHOOL BUSINESS PARTNERS



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Facebook @PrincipalZorea

Mission Statement: Kincaid Elementary School is a neighborhood school that provides a safe, structured, positive learning environment to meet the unique needs of our students. We believe in a strong academic program that is centered on the child and their specific developmental needs. It is our mission to provide a solid educational program while at the same time nurturing our students to become kind humans in our larger community. We will facilitate a learning environment in-school and online to support **ALL** students to become kind, respectful, responsible and safe citizens.

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