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The Newsletter of Auburn Early Education Center

Counselor's Corner

We were so excited to have learned all about TRUST in September! We kicked off our Tiger Cubs of the Month in September also. During the month of October, our monthly core value is COURAGE. October is also National Bullying Prevention Month, so we will be learning all about that in our guidance lessons. Every day thousands of young people experience bullying from their peers while at school, after school in their neighborhoods, and even when they are at home, through social media and texts. There are many ways to support bullying prevention as an individual or with friends and family, and within your school or community. For more information on this, you can visit: <https://www.pacer.org/bullying/nbpm/>



Principal's Message

Hello AEEC and welcome to October! This month is special as temperatures cool, we have settled into routines, we are cruising with all of our academic programs, and we celebrate our campaign and all the support we have received from our amazing friends, families, and corporate sponsors! A big thank you to Deborah Bright and her PTO team for running a very successful campaign drive!

Monday, October 7 through Thursday, October 11 we will see big changes on the back (east) side of AEEC. After six months of planning and site preparation, we are installing our brand new playground facility! This space will offer a fenced run areas as well as a state of art equipment for our PK-2nd grade aged students. Stay tuned for more information about our ribbon cutting ceremony once construction is complete.

See you at the Glow party tonight! Be sure to reference earlier emails to secure food for the event from Marcos Pizza or Bow & Arrow. Go Tiger Cubs!



Curriculum Corner

Auburn Reads Night was Tuesday, September 24th from 4-7pm at the Auburn Mall. Thank you so much for taking the time to come out and spend the evening engaging in reading activities at the mall. It was a fun evening and every paper turned in with our school name gave us a dollar towards our school.

Please continue to read to your child at night and to continue to ask your child about his or her day. This shows excitement to your child and that you are just as excited as they are going to school each day. Thank you for all you do! We couldn't have such a wonderful school without the community of parents and guardians.

Title I News

A BIG shout out to AHS and AJHS' STEM Clubs for a fantastic Tuesday night full of STEM activities! There has been nothing but compliments about last Tuesday evening and all of the hard work by these amazing students was shown through exemplary character and engagement between students and families that evening.

Thank you to all of the parents that attended the Annual Title 1 Meeting that was held in the Media Center. We had a fantastic turnout and enjoyed sharing parents' rights and expectations of being a Title 1 School. If you have any questions on Title 1 and/or how our school uses Title 1 monies, please don't hesitate to reach out to any administrator, instructional coach, or Title 1 teacher. We will be happy to send home a "Title 1 Fact Sheet."

Media Center

This month Library Media classes have focused on the difference between fiction and non-fiction books and where to locate them in our library. We have also been discussing call numbers and their importance in the library. A big shout out to our second graders for modeling and helping our kindergarten friends use their shelf markers to check out books. Please read with your child every night. Research proves that children who read 20 minutes each night score in the 90th percentile on standardized tests. "Reading is dreaming with open eyes."

PTO News

The generosity of the AEEC family has no bounds! For the Let's Glow on an Adventure campaign, we have had a record breaking year raising well over \$40,000. This would not be possible without the help and generosity from so many people.

Glow Gear will be distributed on October 4, 2019, before the Family Fun Night and Glow Party. Please join us to celebrate our tremendous success from 4:30-6:30 on October 4, 2019. This night will include games for the kids, sliding down the hill, a photo booth, a visit from Aubie and the Tiger's Disco Den. We will have dinner options from Marcos and Bow and Arrow. Keep an eye out for the preorder instructions. Winners of the raffles prizes will be

drawn at 6:15 during Family Fun Night. Students need not be present to win. We look forward to celebrating our wonderful family!

Notes from the Nurse

Please remember not to send in medications with your student. Medications must be brought in by a parent/legal guardian. If your student has a medical condition or you marked allergies on the Health Assessment Record at registration please make sure you have contacted the school nurse.

Fine Arts with Basgier and Schiller

We're off to a great start in the Art Room this year! All students have engaged in drawing and painting activities at this point. Kindergarten has been experimenting with mixing *colors*, first graders have learned all about *line*, and second grade has been incorporating *pattern* and *color* into their original artwork. All students have also created a portfolio that we'll use to store our artwork throughout the school year; it will come home with your child in May! I've enjoyed many fun conversations with kiddos about their artwork while I'm getting to know them. I'm already so impressed with their talent and creativity, and I can't wait to see all the beautiful things they'll create this year!

We are having so much fun in music! We have begun learning patriotic songs and connecting music to American history in preparation for our Veterans Day Program next month. Our favorite songs right now are "Yankee Doodle" and "Thankful for the USA." We are also exploring the concept of *arioso*, where you child creates their own improvisational melodies each week by responding to different conversational prompts. Similar to a journal entry, this allows them to express creative freedom and critical thinking through song!

Upcoming Dates for AEEC

October 2	Custodians' Appreciation Day
October 4	GLOW Party
October 9	Donuts with Grownups 6:45 am
October 18	Parent Conference Day/Checklists
October 21	Bus Driver Appreciation Day
October 28- November 1	GLOW Spirit Week/Red Ribbon Week
November 1	Beat Bama Food Drive Kickoff
November 8	Veterans Day Program 9:30 am
November 11	Veterans Day/No School
November 15	Progress Reports Go Home
November 19-21	Thanksgiving Meals at AEEC
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Holidays