



186th Street Elementary School

A Hoot of News May 2019



Owl Pride: "On the Hunt for Wisdom through Education"
Antonio Aguilar, Principal ❖ Carlos González, Assistant Principal

Message from the Principal...

Dear Parents,

It's countdown to the end of the school year. Nine months down and six weeks to go! Our teachers are focusing on the academic standards to maximize student learning in the final days of our school year.

As you may know, the Los Angeles Unified Board of Education recently voted to place Measure EE, a local school funding parcel tax, on the June 4, 2019 special election ballot. If approved by two-thirds of voters, Measure EE would provide funding to support Los Angeles public schools through a 16-cent per square foot parcel tax for 12 years. Seniors citizens and certain low income property owners with disabilities would be eligible for an exemption.

Measure EE funds would be used to retain and attract quality teachers, reduce class sizes, and support instructional programs including Arts, Music, Science, Technology, English and Math. By law, all Measure EE funds must be used to support Los Angeles public schools and could not be taken by the state or federal governments. As a reminder, the deadline to register to vote in the June 4 election is Monday, May 20. To register to vote, please visit the Secretary of State's website at:

<https://registertovote.ca.gov/> More information about Measure EE and about voting in the June 4 election is available at www.MeasureEELAUDS.org.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or your classroom teacher at (310) 324-1153. Here's to a happy hootin' remainder of the school year with a continued focus on student achievement. Hoot! Hoot! Hooray!

Sincerely,

Antonio Aguilar
Principal



Parent Involvement Opportunities...

- May 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 9:00 a.m. Madres Activas Meeting
- May 3 Growth and Development Video (Girls 8:30 a.m. / Boys 1:45p.m.)
- May 4 10:00 a.m. City of Gardena Cinco de Mayo Parade
- May 6 – 10 National Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 8 National School Nurse Day
- May 8 and 15 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Family Leadership Institute
- May 10 8:30 am ELAC Meeting
- May 16 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Volunteer Tea
- May 20 5:00 p.m. PTA Meeting
- May 20 6:00 p.m. Tea Time to Talk to the Principal/SSC/ELAC
- May 27 Memorial Day Holiday – School Closed
- May 29 Orchestra Concert
- May 29 5:00 p.m. – 7:45 p.m. Owl Awards Night
- May 31 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Peace First CSL Culmination Projects

SBAC Testing for 3rd, 4th, & 5th Grade Students

April 28 – May 3	Grade 4	Smarter Balanced Test
May 13 – May 24	Grade 3, 4, and 5	Smarter Balanced Test/CAA

State Pre-K/ETK Enrollment

Applications are now being accepted for the State Pre-School program for the 2019-2020 school year. State Pre-School is available for children ages 3 and 4 years old based on income qualifications. The child must be 3 or 4 years old by December 1, 2019, to qualify. The following immunizations are required: 1 Varicella, 3 polio, 4 DTaP; 3 Hepatitis B; and 1 each of MMR and HIB given after age one. A Physical Exam is required. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please pick up an application in the school office as soon as possible. Feel free to call the office if you have any questions or concerns (310) 324-1153.



Kindergarten Enrollment

186th has full day Kindergarten. Applications are now being accepted for the Kindergarten program for the 2019-2020 school year. Children who are 5 years old by September 1st are eligible. Students who are 5 years old from September 2nd through December 2nd must attend Transitional Kindergarten. Students who are 5 after December 2nd and before July 1st are eligible for Extended Transitional Kindergarten. We would like to set up our classes before we return in August. If your child is currently enrolled in 186th Street School's Pre-K, your child will possibly need other immunizations. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please pick up an application in the school office as soon as possible. Feel free to call the office if you have any questions or concerns (310) 324-1153.



2019-2020 School Year

Enrollment for new students is ongoing from now until June 25, 2019. The school office will re-open on Thursday, August 1, 2019 and will receive student registrations between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. We anticipate being overcrowded. To insure your child's enrollment, children must attend the first day, **Tuesday, August 20, 2019.**



Summer Playground

This year we will have a summer playground from June 17th through July 26th, 2019. The playground will be opened from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will also have the **Ready, Set, Go** Program from June 17th through July 26th. The program hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. More information will be sent home before the close of the school year.



Student of the Month

We are happy to salute our outstanding citizens for the month of April. These students are being recognized for being excellent role models for citizenship, sportsmanship, and leadership.

Pre-Kindergarten: Tychicus Henry, Melisa Pouv, Rafael Tlamani, and Summer Allen.

Kindergarten: Giovanni Morales, Anthony Perez, Daniel Garcia, Mila Avalos, Pedro Gamino, Kimberly Cruz, Robert Ramos, Bella Luna, Uziel Barajas, Lillyana Covarrubias, Jayden Williams, Tatyanna Magallanes, Micheal Gutierrez, and Michael Richards.

First Grade: D'erricka Richardson, Daniel Villalobos, Destiny Lopez, Matteo Guzman, Saori Aldana, Jacob Diaz, Arianna Gutierrez, Tadarus Williams, Ar'Rion Johnson, Flora Edwards, and Emely Castanon.

Second Grade: Sanaa Mozee, Andrea Manzo, Jacob Caro Padilla, Kaylee Gomez, Rafael Cardenas, Karen Ramirez, Haylee Reyes, Kylee Estevez, Leilanie Estrada, Alex (Christian) Quiroz, and Genesis Benitez.

Third Grade: Isaac Rossil, Abigail Esperanto, Mario Perez, Vanessa Rivas, Luis Salcedo, Samantha Gonzalez, Charles Alexander, Kitana Abbott, Alan Soriano, Danielle Guerra, Brendan Chavez, and Floyd Johnson.

Fourth Grade: Mario Ponce, Rackell Hernandez, Yulitza Mosqueda, Alexia Gaytan, Francisco Albarran, Mya Ochoa, Jason Galloway, and Gaila Melendez.

Fifth Grade: Morgan Biggers, Sonya Leaupepe, Brooklyn Correa, Anaiyah Harris, Ben Gonzalez, Allison Contreras, Paxton Chavez, Luis De Jesus, Nalani Orozco, and Zoe Ryan.

Character Word of the Month

The word for the month is trustworthiness. Trustworthiness is being honest, not deceiving, cheating or stealing. Trustworthy people are reliable. They do what they say they will do. People who are trustworthy have courage to do the right thing. They build a good reputation in the home, school, and community. If we teach our children to be trustworthy, they will be loyal citizens. One valuable lesson a parent should always teach is "honesty, doing what is right when no one is looking."



Book of the Month

In our quest to build our students' vocabulary and academic language, we are continuing our tradition of all classrooms reading the same book each month. Our book-of-the month for March is Who is Sonia Sotomayor, written by Megan Stine.

Outspoken, energetic, and fun, Sonia Sotomayor has managed to turn every struggle in life into a triumph. Born in the Bronx to immigrant parents from Puerto Rico, Sonia found out at age nine that she had diabetes, a serious illness now but an even more dangerous one fifty years ago. How did young Sonia handle the devastating news? She learned to give herself her daily insulin shots and became determined to make the most out of her life. It was the popular sixties TV show *Perry Mason* that made Sonia want to become a lawyer. Not only a lawyer, but a judge! Her remarkable career was capped in 2009 when President Barack Obama nominated her to the Supreme Court, only the third woman and first Latina justice in the court's history. Stories of Sotomayor's career are hardly dry legal stuff--she once hopped on a motorcycle to chase down counterfeiters and was the judge whose ruling ended the Major League baseball strike in 1995.



Poem of the Month

"In May" - William Henry Davies

Yes, I will spend the livelong day
With nature in this month of May;
And sit beneath the trees, and share
My bread with birds whose homes are there;
While cows lie down to eat, and sheep
Stand to their necks in grass so deep;
While birds do sing with all their might,
As though they felt the earth in flight.



Summer School for Special Education Students

Summer school is scheduled for **June 26 through July 24, 2019** at Denker Elementary School. The program will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 1:20 p.m. Instruction will last for four weeks. Information will be sent home if your child is eligible to attend summer school. Please return the paperwork in a timely manner.



Pedestrian Safety at All Times (revisited)!

We've had accidents and near misses that have been a result of pedestrians walking in the middle of streets. Please use the crosswalks to travel from one side of the street to the other. A few minutes spent walking to the crosswalk could save years of recovery and lives!

