



# 186<sup>th</sup> Street Elementary School

## A Hoot of News March 2019



**Owl Pride: "On the Hunt for Wisdom through Education"**

Antonio Aguilar, Principal ❖ Carlos González, Assistant Principal

### Message from the Principal...

Dear Parents,

Where, oh where has our school year gone? The time is moving along rapidly and it seems like we just got started a few days ago. Can you believe it is already time to start planning for the 2019-2020 school year, testing is just around the bend, and spring break is fast approaching in April?

Parent/teacher conferences were successfully completed last month and all parents received their report cards for the second progress reporting period. It is very important for you to stay in contact with your child's teacher. It is important for you, as the parent or guardian to know if your child is meeting grade-level standards. We have several intervention programs that are continuing and some beginning this month. We want all students to be successful in school. Communication between school and home is very important to your child's success. Let's continue this month with following up with those conversations we held during conference week to make sure we are working with our children to help them be ready for the upcoming assessments!

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' springtime with improved student achievement. Hoot! Hoot! Hooray!

Sincerely,

Antonio Aguilar  
Principal



### Parent Involvement Opportunities...

- March 6, 13, 20 & 27 8:30 Madres Activas
- March 07 - 9:00 – 11:00 am Owl Parent Institute
- March 07 - 2:45 pm Science Fair Meeting for Parents
- March 08 - 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm Reading Pajama Party
- March 11 - Charitable Campaign begins...Give...Give...Give!
- March 12 - 8:30 am or 6:00 pm 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting
- March 14 - Spring and Culmination Pictures by LifeTouch
- March 15 - 8:30 am ELAC Meeting
- March 18 - 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm PTA Meeting
- March 18 - 6:00 pm Tea Time to Talk to the Principal/SSC
- March 20 & 21 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade OLSAT GATE Testing
- March 28 - 3:00 pm Owl Peace Leadership Team Meeting

### Testing is coming...

Mark your calendars for our upcoming testing program. Please make a special effort to have your child come to school on time and ready to soar:

<b>March 01 – March 22</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>Fitnessgram</b>
<b>March 21 – March 22</b>	<b>Grade 2</b>	<b>OLSAT GATE Testing</b>
<b>April 22 – April 26</b>	<b>Grade 5</b>	<b>California Science Test</b>
<b>April 29 – May 24</b>	<b>Grades 3 – 5</b>	<b>Smarter Balanced Test</b>



### Testing Tips for Success...

- Encourage your child to take responsibility for homework and class study.
- Help your child learn how to find information independently.
- Praise your child for work done well.
- Make sure your child has breakfast at home or at school.
- Make sure your child has enough sleep at night.
- Avoid any unnecessary absences during the testing period.
- Avoid any tardies. Testing will begin at 8:30. Students who are tardy to school will not be permitted to enter the classroom until the testing is completed.



### Fifth Grade Parent Meeting

As the end of the school year approaches, we are planning all kinds of special activities to make our 5<sup>th</sup> graders' final days in elementary school extra special. We will have a 5<sup>th</sup> grade assembly with the principal, teachers, and students, to set out expectations from students. Participation in the culminating events would depend upon their ability to display outstanding citizenship and exemplary academic effort in all of their classes. The activities are a privilege, and students must earn the right to participate. We will hold a parent meeting for all 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents to discuss and plan all of the special end-of-the-year activities for our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 12 at 8:30 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium. All 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents are encouraged to attend.



### Check us out on Facebook and Twitter...

186th Street School has a Facebook page and Twitter account featuring many of our fun-filled activities. Please like us on Facebook and Twitter at 186th Street School.



### Student of the Month

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

**Pre-Kindergarten:** Tychicus Henry, Aaron Nuñez, Kaysie Sandoval De Jesus, Delilah Gonzalez, Manuel Gutierrez, Vincent Gonzalez, and Destiny Caldwell.

**Kindergarten:** Joseph Baez, Alexa Barajas, Jayden Edwards, Scarlett Ruelas, Anthony Reynoso, Evelyn Martinez-Gutierrez, Elijah Wright, Michaela Manley, Elias Trejo, Naomi Membreno, Matthew Valencia, Demiyah Grant, Eric Williams, and Paloma Morales.

**First Grade:** Marc Cao, Jacob Molina, Emily Najera, Angel Gonzalez, Juna Yamamoto, Jacob Diaz, Bliss Narh, Jeremiah Amadie, Noelle Jacobs, Scott Hernandez, and Charlotte Ritiau.

**Second Grade:** Sumaya Ramos, Cesar Rahman, Destiny Monteverde, Jayden Rossil, Sophia Pimentel, Cesar Gutierrez, Julie Avila, Eduardo Ponce, Nyanna Scott, Dominic Rosales, and Nevaeh Garcia.

**Third Grade:** Viola Gutierrez, Kaliyah Hosannah, Angela Sanchez, Ra'niador Woodmore, Destiny Cecil-Okafor, Natalie Lopez, Trilian Briggs, Julian Garcia-Ramirez, Maria Villalobos, and Floyd Johnson.

**Fourth Grade:** Jizelle Tostado, Anyah Nitta, Abraham Vera, Jennifer Gonzalez, Francisco Albarran, Lailah Zeno, Bryce Holmes, and Osmara Barajas.

**Fifth Grade:** Bianca Toscano, Esvyn Hernandez, Ameriah Lopez, Daniel Salcido, Suraya Cortez, Camila Juarez, Arianna Hernandez, Luciano Reynoso, Jahir Marquez, and McKayla Bailey.

### Character Word of the Month

The word for the month is citizenship.



Citizenship is doing your share to make our school and community better. This means cooperating with others, getting involved in community affairs, staying informed, voting, being a good neighbor, obeying laws and rules, respecting authority, and protecting the environment. Teach your children to be good citizens by following all the school rules and respecting the rights and property of others. If we foster good citizenship, our communities will be safer and happier places to live.

### 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 Tia Isa Wants a Car, written by Meg Medina and illustrated by Claudio Muñoz. Tia Isa wants a car. A shiny green car the same color as the ocean, with wings like a swooping bird. A car to take the whole family to the beach. But saving is hard when everything goes into two piles, one for here and one for Helping Money, so that family members who live far away might join them someday. While Tia Isa saves, her niece does odd jobs for neighbors so she can add her earnings to her stack. But even with her help, will they ever have enough?



### Poem of the Month

Spring - Robert McCracken

"Today is the day when bold kites fly,  
When cumulus clouds roar across the sky.  
When robins return, when children cheer,  
When light rain beckons spring to appear.  
Today is the day when daffodils bloom,  
Which children pick to fill the room,  
Today is the day when grasses green,  
When leaves burst forth for spring to be seen."



### School Behavior Protocol for Parents

Parents, if there is a problem with your child and another student, please speak to the school authorities. Do not talk to the other student directly. We will intervene to help solve the problem, but under no circumstances should another parent come to our campus with intentions of reprimanding another child. We will work relentlessly to provide a safe and civil environment for all of our students.

### Consolidated Charitable Campaign

During the month of March, LAUSD is sponsoring their annual Consolidated Charitable Campaign. Please donate to one of 11 charities that have been designated by the District as fund distribution agencies. A separate flyer and coin envelope will be sent home during the second week of this month. We encourage you to give to help others.



### Sign-up for the LAUSD PASSport

The LAUSD Parent Access Support System portal (LAUSD PASSport), is a one-stop online system available 24/7 that securely connects parents/guardians to essential student data. Please sign-up today at [passport.lausd.net](http://passport.lausd.net).

