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# The Howler

## Does Attendance Really Matter? – Definitely Yes!!!

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child get better grades, develop healthy life habits, avoid dangerous behavior and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

When students are absent for fewer days, their grades and reading skills often improve—even among those students who are struggling in school. Students who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their community, develop important social skills and friendships, and are significantly more likely to graduate from high school, setting them up for a strong future.

But when kids are absent for an average of just two days of school per month—even when the absences are excused— it can have a negative impact. These absences can affect kids as early as Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. For example, young elementary school students who miss an average of

just two school days per month often have difficulty keeping up with their peers academically and tend to fall behind in reading. But when students are able to read on grade level by the end of third grade, which is when kids transition from *learning to read* to *reading to learn*, they are three to four times more likely to graduate high school and attend college, post-graduate, or professional development classes than their peers who struggle with reading.

As a parent, you can prepare your child for a lifetime of success by making regular school attendance a priority. By figuring out the reasons for your child's absences—whether they're physical or emotional—and taking advantage of support services—such as free tutoring, student mentoring and afterschool activities—you can help set your child on the path to success.

## Cy-Fair District Spelling Bee

Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2017

4 p.m.

Berry Center

Please join us in congratulating Bree Virgil Ms. Harris' class as our spelling Bee champion. Bree will represent McFee at the Berry

Center in the district spelling Bee.

Jaiden Silva from from Mr. Martinez' class, is the runner up and will represent McFee if Bree is unable to participate.

Let's wish these students good luck!

## CFISD Superintendent Fun Run

Dr. Mark Henry and Cypress-Fairbanks ISD are excited to present the 4th annual Superintendent's Fun Run & Festival at Towne Lake, a Caldwell Community – Superheroes for Kids!

The event is underwritten by Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center Hospital and benefits the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation. Click <http://www.thecfef.org> for more details on how you can make a difference in the lives of CFISD students through the CFEF!

The Fun Run & Festival has something for everyone including a variety of vendor booths, delicious food trucks, student performances, a children's play zone, a 1 mile run, a family path and a 5K Run/Walk! Sign up a team and come join the fun!

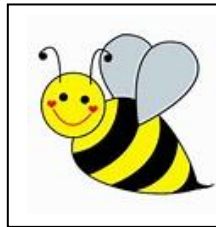
Register today. Go to [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net) >Community Engagements > Community Events and click n Superintendent Fun Run.

## Lost and Found

Help us in getting misplaced items back to their owners.

Please consider putting your student's first initial and last name on items that are easily misplaced like jackets, sweaters, lunch kits, etc.

If you would like to look through the lost and found to find your student's items, our lost and found is located on the steps behind the stage.



## Interested in Being a WATCH D.O.G.S.

This program invites male role models in the home environment to sign up for at least one day in the year to be present on the campus for one full day. Several Watch D.O.G.S could sign up for the same day and volunteer for a variety of different duties during the course of the day.

To learn more about this national program, visit the website at <http://www.fathers.com/watchdogs/watch-d-o-g-s-featured-on-abc-world-news/> or contact Carla Butler at [Carla.butler@cfisd.net](mailto:Carla.butler@cfisd.net).

## Upcoming Events

**January 27, 2017** – Mid-Year LOP celebration

**January 31, 2017** – Group Pictures

**January 31, 2017** – 3/4/5 STAAR Parent Night

**February 1, 2017** – District Spelling Bee

**February 8, 2017** – Nature Trails Field Trip

**February 10, 2017** – Nature Trails Field Trip

**February 10, 2017** – Spring Fundraiser Kick Off

**February 13 – 17, 2017** – Spring Book Fair

**February 18, 2017** – CFISD Fun Run

**February 20, 2017** – Student Holiday / Inclement Weather Day

**February 21, 2017** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Program Night

**February 24, 2017** – Spring Fundraiser Ends

**March 2, 2017** – Spring Portraits

**March 7, 2017** – Family Fitness Night

**March 8, 2017** – Chuck E. Cheese Night

**March 13-17, 2017** – Spring Break

**March 21, 2017** – 4<sup>th</sup> grade Program Night

## AR GOALS

### 50% of Yearly Goal

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** – Jailene Delgado, Khang Luong, Leonel Morales, Landon Redmon, Sammi Burke, Eliseb Chavez, Valentin Gasca, Shaia Love, Jpshua Okoronkwo, Brianna Westbrooks, Isaiah Rangel, Adrian Monsivais, Miguel Sifuentes Nava, Jonathan Valiente Ramos, Crystal Olvera, Maria Alvarado, Ximena Gomez, Sebastian Guevarra Sanchez, Jaxson Sellers, Maro Herrera, David Jimenez, Hailey Lenis, Macaro Reyes, Jefferson Murcia, Arianna Orozco Montalvor Rubi Yepiz Sanchez, Yadriel Gonzalez Arvelo, Bryan Serrano Arias, Andrea Enriquez, Adriana Montes, Kennedi Pleasant, Xavier Ballesteros and Gabryel Beckett.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** – Omer Elsebaie, Diana Gomez, Jacob Hinojosa, Leslie Johnson, Caroline Rodriguez, Jasmine Haynes, Luah Roberts, Zachary Adams, Quentin Butler Jr. and Jade Vazquez.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Asa Bradley, Javier Chamorro, Ibrahim Haider, Christine Nguyen, Isabel Rodriguez, Jordan Schexnayder, Giselle Ortiz, Kellen Walker, Tyla Watson and Linh Tran.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade**- Magan Carter, Sarafina Suleiman, Mckenna Edwards, Allisom Herrera, Destinee Mayes, Kaitlyn Jolivette, Amya Meader, Malaki Martinez, Eliana Marquez-Garcia, Trinity Bell, William Guzman, Ahmier Harris, Ava Reid, Cenilah Bradshaw, Jalisa Byrd, Omar Diaz-Mendez and Taylor Lattimore.

### 75% of Yearly Goal

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** – Carlos Bonilla Jr., Meaghan Cobos Bernal, Eli McGuire, Jordan Gaitan, Xavier Martinez, Eli Rivera, Melissa Segundo, Moises Zacarias, Stacie Frazier, Mania Krabet, Ivan Bocanegra, Jasmin Zacarias, Alejandro De Leon Jr., Maria Lopez, Yousif Alali, Lysandra Reducindo Ruiz, Dere Haywood, Yusiel Cordero, Melanie Romero and Ivanna Paita.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** – Xabien Ruiz, Amanda Marroquin, Jordin Bernard, Valerie Casique, Brandon Zerouat, Juliet Martinez, Odin Merchant and Emmalee Cardenas

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Ailene Del Cid, Anthony Rodriguez, Ali Abdalrahman, Keira Arredondo, Ayleen Gonzalez, Kaylee Vazquez and Allison Mazariegos

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade** – German Chamorro, Lilliana Ramirez, Jeneviev Gilmore, Cristabel Carrillo and Grace Melgar.

### 100% of Yearly Goal

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** – Jeremiah Harris Spencer, Daushod Froe, Eli McGuire, Lesly Roman, Eli Rivera and Lucas Colca

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** – Nathaniel Aranda and Kiki Dunmoyea

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Karla Gomez, Dalinda Penado and Charles Washington

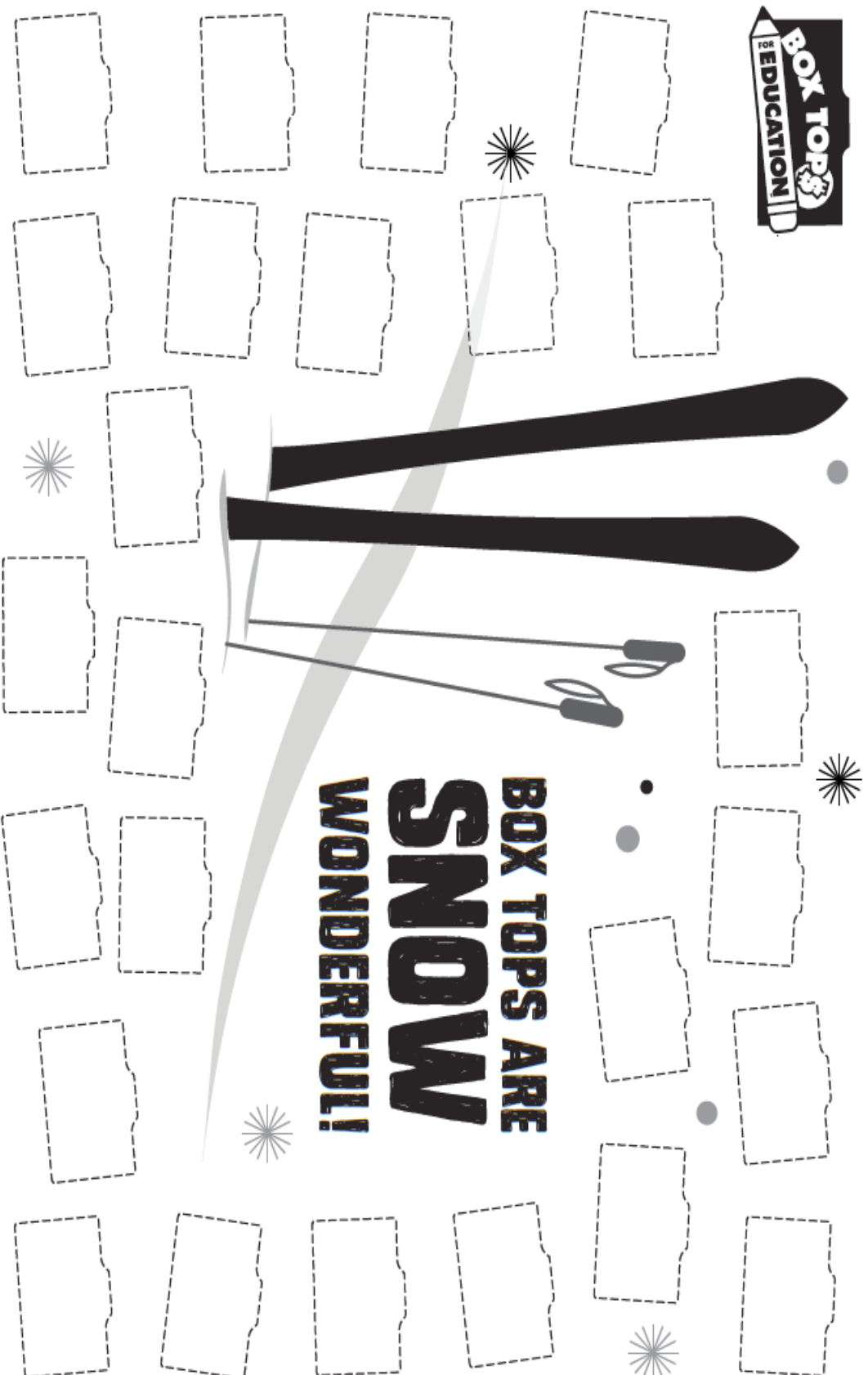
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Skita Wanyoike, Chidozie Kalu and Aaron Rodriguez

### 150% of Yearly Goal

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Winson Tran

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade** – Oluwanifemi Johnson

### 200% of Yearly Goal



**BOX TOPS ARE  
SNOW  
WONDERFUL!**

Thank you for helping! Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school. Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet – please submit them separately. To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, go to [BTfE.com](http://BTfE.com). See more collection sheets at [BTfE.com/collectionsheets](http://BTfE.com/collectionsheets).

