



ROCKET REVIEW

PROVIDENCE SPRING ELEMENTARY

NOTES FROM PRINCIPAL ARMBRUSTER

We celebrated our National Paideia accreditation with student assemblies and were showcased and praised in CMS and PSE social media. As I reflect on how we move forward and continue to build on our accomplishments, I reflect on the Blockbuster video example of success and ensuing failure. Blockbuster video is a great cautionary tale of how success can lead to complacency, and complacency can eventually lead to failure.

Providence Spring appreciates achievements, but we are never stagnant because of them. When learning is the goal, we have to model growth mindset and goal setting at both the individual and organizational level.

I write this as a reminder to myself as I struggle to try new things. As a first year principal, I have focused on building community and positive relationships. Moving forward, I am working with teacher teams and our PTA on how our instructional program, organizational management, and community outreach align with our vision and mission while supporting our four pillars. While I continue to struggle, I am developing resiliency, which is crucial to growth and success. As Martin Luther King, Jr. stated, "Change does not roll in on the wheels of inevitability, but it comes through continuous struggle."

Resilience is not only a necessary trait for innovators, but also a life skill that all humans need to develop. Life is full of difficulties. Teaching and modeling how we recover from failure and move forward is important to how our children learn and live successfully. Teachers' instructional expertise support students academically. Our counselors support our children socially and emotionally. Our school-based mental health provider, Alexander Youth Network, offers wrap-around services. As a team, we support the whole child and seek to understand each child's unique gifts.

Parents can help their children develop resiliency by listening to their struggles, asking questions about their goals, and seeking their passions and convictions. We tend to want to fix and create a path of least resistance for our children, but in so doing we undermine their ability to develop a growth mindset. Our brain muscles must learn to adapt to change. Eventually our students will begin to feel the psychological and physiological benefits of struggle and failure. I believe finding the purposeful struggle will always lead to growth, whether you feel it now or not.

SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE	UNSUCCESSFUL PEOPLE
Read every day	Watch TV every day
Compliment	Criticize
Embrace Change	Fear change
Forgive others	Hold a grudge
Talk about ideas	Talk about people
Continuously learn	Think they know it all
Accept responsibility for their failures	Blame others for their failures
Have a sense of gratitude	Have a sense of entitlement
Set goals and develop life plans	Never set goals

Save the Date The last scheduled Community Engagement session at PSE will take place March 16 from 6:00-7:00 pm in the gym. This is your chance to hear overcrowding relief scenarios before the May board vote. **We need your feedback.**



This Issue



Coming Up



Contacts

Notes From the Principal	3/4	Early Release Day
Gallery Walk Save the Date	3/4	PTA Meeting 6:00pm
Spring Book Fair Volunteers	3/5	Chick-fil-A Night @ Waverly 3-8pm
Loaves and Fishes Results	3/9-3/13	Spirit Week
Spirit Wear	3/10-3/19	Book Fair
PTA Financial Summary	3/19	Local Scoop Ice Cream Social at PSE Book Fair 6-7:30pm
Sponsors	3/26	End of Quarter
	3/27	No School- Teacher Work Day
	3/28	PSE Hornets Spirit Night

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We want to hear from you! If you notice a staff member go "Above and Beyond," grab a WOW card in the front office and leave a note. It will cheer us up as we move forward the rest of the school year!

WOW!!! card

Name:
Date:
Submitted by:

TODAY YOU "WOWED" ME WHEN YOU...

Thank you!!

WOW Cards

Month of GREEN

Providence Spring is proud to represent our school spirit! We have declared March to be the month of green. Green symbolizes our PSE pride, and the therapeutic effects of the color green are immense. I encourage you to fully experience the healing effects of green -- in your wardrobe, while taking a walk, while enjoying a fresh salad of spring greens! Have your student wear GREEN every Friday this month!



Respectfully,
Jane
Armbruster

PSE is the place to **BE**

Save the Date- Gallery Walk

PSE Gallery Walk is coming up!

April 23rd
6 - 7:30 p.m.

Browse the artwork covering the walls, give a donation, and take home a masterpiece created by your student!

The evening will include performances by the Jump Rope Team (6:05-6:30) and PSE Choir (6:45).

Don't go home hungry! Papa Murphy's Pizza and SAS Cupcakes (including gluten free options) will be available in the cafeteria. You can also pre-order a build-your-own takeaway pizza, to be cooked at home!

Info on pre-ordering your food will be sent out soon. Cash and credit cards will be accepted at the door.



Spring Book Fair- VOLUNTEER!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Our SPRING BOOK FAIR kicks off in just 2 WEEKS!

Please sign up here to volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0944A9AE28A3F58-book>

We love familiar faces and encourage newbies to jump in (even if it is out of your comfort zone- don't let it stop you)! It's easy, we PROMISE!

Thank you all for your support!



Spring Bookfair
March 10th-19th

Schools Book Fair
Jungle
March 10th-19th



Loaves and Fishes Food Drive Results



Thank you Mrs. Fletcher's 5th grade class for all of the help

Not even tornadoes, storms, or illnesses could stop us from donating almost 9000 quality food items to Loaves and Fishes this year. Go Rockets!! It is such a blessing to see what our school family can do when we're all in it together!

Whether your student brought in one can or 100 cans, we ALL helped to make this goal a reality. As always, we couldn't have pulled this off without the help of our many volunteers who helped put together boxes, sort, load, etc. THANK YOU!!

"True happiness is felt in the giving"

Lydia Lambright
PTA VP of Outreach



PSE Spring Spirit Wear Closeout!

DON'T MISS OUT!
Get your PSE SPIRIT WEAR!

Visit our online store and order today!

<https://psespirtwearcloseout.itemorder.com/sale>





PTA Financial Summary February 2020

**Providence Spring Elementary PTA
Cash Balance Rollforward**

Beginning Balance 1/1/20 **\$ 99,572**

Income

Capital Donations	\$ 90
Directory	\$ 2
Field Days Income	\$ 40
Food Fundraisers-Spirit Nights	\$ 876
Free Fundraisers	\$ 397
Grade Level T-Shirt Income	\$ 42
Interest Income	\$ 7
Publications Income	\$ 87
Rocket Raffle	\$ 5,240
Yearbook	\$ 60

Total Income **\$ 6,842**

Expense

Brick Campaign Expense	261.00
PTA-PSE Educational Expense	
Classroom Grants	698
Cultural Arts	1,245
Grade Level T-Shirt Expense	0
Hospitality & Staff Recognition	225
Principal Discretionary	40
Publications Expense	101
Reflections	145
School Security Expense	43
Total PTA-PSE Educational Expense	2,497
PTA Operational Expenses	
Bank Fees	254
PTA Dues	-7
Total PTA Operational Expenses	247
Rocket Raffle Expense	265
School Store Expense	350
Spring Carnival Expense	1,450
PY Technology & Education Fund	5,443
Total Expense	10,513

Ending Balance as of 1/31/20

95,902



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