

## Halloween in ELP!

Traditionally Rousseau students participate in a Halloween costume parade at 2:00, but we would like to run things a little differently in ELP so that we may better meet the needs of our students.

Our students should come to school in their costumes!! Please leave all accessories (e.g., wands, crowns, etc.) at home, so you don't have an unhappy trick or treater arrive home having forgotten an important costume piece! Also, no costume weapons please! We will make heroic efforts to send home whatever is sent in that day, but just to be on the safe side, labels inside costume pieces will help us ensure every item gets to its owner at home time.

We will come right in at the morning bell and we will have our parade as soon as we can get organized, hopefully by 9:30 'ish. We will parade through all the other classes and you can come watch us from the lobby if you like. :) Costumes can get hot or uncomfortable, so this way we can take them off and not worry about them for the rest of the day.

We will play outside later that morning, enjoy our healthier treats throughout the day, enjoy some special Halloween activities in the afternoon, and watch the older students' costume parade later if we like. Hopefully a low key afternoon will allow students to save their energy for whatever you may have planned that evening.

Although Monday is a Nutrition Policy exempt day, and we would like to have some fun treats to graze on throughout the day, we would ask that those treats still be of a healthier variety. In anticipation that children will be getting more than enough sugar later on trick or treating, we'll keep our snacks less sugary and hopefully not end up with sick tummies. Please don't feel obliged to contribute, we have 33 families and there's always more than enough that comes in. Mini muffins, popcorn, pretzels, fruit, cheese and crackers, or other 'healthier' treats will be thoroughly enjoyed, and then you don't have to wonder how much junk food your child had at school. No need to sign up; if you wish to send something please do so in either a disposable or labelled container, either in your child's care or drop off in the classroom. Thank you in advance!