

Pirate's Post

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All day, every day matters! Attendance is very important at Plato. We love our students and want them at school! We ended the 15-16 school year at 98.1%. WOW!!! Our goal for 2016-2017 school year is to be above <u>98.2%</u> at the end of the year. 4th grade is in the lead!!

K - 94.4% 3rd - 96.1% 1st - 95.8% 4th - 96.7% 2nd - 96.4% 5th - 96.1%

State Department of Education releases new report card system for 16-17 school year:

Elementary and middle school report card scores will be factored with a 90-point rubric as follows:

English Language Arts (ELA) performance – 15 pts.

Math performance – 15 pts.

Science performance – 5 pts. ELA growth – 15 pts.

Math growth – 15 pts.

English language proficiency assessment (ELPA) progress – 15 pts.

Chronic absenteeism – 10 pts.

Scores will be converted to A-F letter grades:

A > 70

B 57-70.00

C 43-56.99 D 30-42.99

F < 30

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Chronic absenteeism is defined as missing 10 percent or more of a school year -- approximately 18 days a year, or just two days every month. Across the nation, 5 to 7.5 million students are chronically absent per year. As early as kindergarten, school absences lower subsequent achievement levels. Missing school lowers achievement in school. We can't teach an empty seat. IMPORTANT: Please make sure your child comes to school EVERYDAY unless s/he is running a fever and/ or is throwing up or has diarrhea. If your child must miss school please send a doctor's note.



Word of the Week: humility

It means not arrogant or prideful. Quotes:

- -We stand tallest when we stoop to help others. ~UKA -To become truly great, one
- has to stand with people, not above them. ~ Charles de
- Montesquieu
- -Humility is the solid foundation of all virtues.
- ~Confucius
- -With pride, there are many curses. With humility, there come many blessings. ~Ezra Taft Benson
- -Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it's thinking of yourself less. ~Rick Warren

Important Dates

Dates Subject to Change

Overall - 96.0%

Jan 5 - BACK TO SCHOOL

Jan 6 - Pirate Pride Treat Day

Pop, Popcorn, Pickles \$1 each Jan 6 - Fans Wear Red Friday

(wear RED or your Duncan Gear)

Jan 9 - Late Start Monday

Jan 9 - REPORT CARDS GO HOME

Jan 9 - PTO Meeting @ 12pm

Jan 9 - ONE Duncan Meeting @

5:30pm in the Cafeteria

Jan 10 - Pirate Pride Tuesday & Plato Hat Day

Jan 10 - 4th-5th Grade Spelling Bee

Jan 12 - SK8 Night 6:00-8:00 - \$5.00

Jan 16 - NO SCHOOL

Jan 23 - Late Start Monday

Jan 24 - Pirate Pride Tuesday

(wear BLUE or your Plato Gear)

Jan 26 - BEAUTIFUL DAY

Jan 27 - Fans Wear Red Friday (wear RED or your Duncan Gear)

Jan 30 - Late Start Monday

Jan 31 - Pirate Pride Tuesday

(wear BLUE or your Plato Gear)

Feb 2 - 5th Grade Music Program

Feb 3 - Fans Wear Red Friday

(wear RED or your Duncan Gear)

Feb 3 - Pirate Pride Treat Day

Pop, Popcorn, Pickles \$1 each

Feb 6 - Late Start Monday

Feb 6 - PTO Meeting @ 12pm

Feb 7 - Pirate Pride Tuesday & Plato Hat Day

Feb 8 - Class & Spring Picture Day

