

# The Timberwolf Gazette

Mission: Union Colony Elementary School involves students in educational experiences that prepare them to excel in college or other post-secondary educational endeavors.

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SPECIAL DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>April 12th</u> 3rd and 4th grade Battle of the Books battles 4pm

<u>April 13th</u> 5th and 6th grade Battle of the Books battles 4 pm

April 28th Class Picture day

## **Board Vacancy Election**

Union Colony Elementary will be conducing its Board of Directors elecion via Survey Monkey. The link will be released on the website Monday, April 11. Each parent will have unil noon on Friday, April 15 to submit their vote. You may submit a paper vote at the elementary office if you do not have internet access. We will also post the link on Facebook and will be sending the link to parents through email.

The Board of Directors voluntary service to Union Colony Schools is much appreciated. Please take the Ime to select a candidate who you believe would best support Union Colony and its mission.

Sincerely, Jim Anderson, Director

## **<u>3-6th Grade Breakfast</u>**

During the testing window of April 5th through April 22nd, ANY 3rd through 6th grade child may eat free breakfast at school. Breakfast starts at 7:40am. This breakfast is for All 3rd through 6th grade children regardless of free/reduced lunch status.

#### Parents of current 5th and 6th Grade Students

ATTENTION PARENTS OF 5th and 6th GRADE STUDENTS: The middle school open house, for current 5th and 6th graders, will be held Thursday, April 14th at 6:00 pm at the Prep School. The Prep School is located at 2000 Clubhouse Drive in Greeley. This is the <u>ONLY</u> time you will have a chance to meet teachers, take a tour of the building, and complete vital paperwork before this fall.

#### **Battle of the Books**

It's finally here! Third and fourth grade Battle of the Books teams will compete after school on Tuesday, April 12th. Fifth and sixth grade teams will compete after school on Wednesday, April 13th. Teams, please meet in the gym immediately after school. Family and friends are welcome to attend to support those who are competing!

Parents, please plan to pick up your child by 5:15.

The top two teams from each grade level will advance to District Battle of the Books. District Battle for third and fourth grade will be held at University on Wednesday, April 27th. District Battle for fifth grade will be held at University on Thursday, April 28th. District Battle for sixth grade will be held at Chappelow on Monday, April 25th. Please contact Ms. Bailey if you have any questions.

## **Parent Meeting**

UCES Friends Group will be having our monthly meeting Thursday, April 14th @6pm. We will be finalizing ideas for the end of the year BBQ. Please join us as your input is very important to us.

Dear Union Colony family:

As you may have heard, District 6 is currently studying a possible funding measure that would ask our communities of Evans and Greeley to directly invest in our students and our schools. Our school district, our school and all our staff is committed to providing an excellent education for all students, innovating to provide personalized learning and prepare our students for a successful life. It is important to me and the entire staff at Union Colony Schools that you are aware of these activities, that you have many opportunities to participate and that you have your voice heard!

Currently, a Citizens Advisory Committee made up of parents, District 6 staff and community members is meeting to study a possible ballot measure for November 2016, and additional input from our District 6 families and communities is needed to advise this committee. There are many opportunities for you to have a say in this important process.

We encourage you to attend one of the community meetings in the next few weeks and give your input as a parent or guardian. You know best what will help your student(s) succeed and your suggestions are needed.

The community meetings are:

Wednesday, April 13, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Evans Community Center, 1100 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Evans. Spanish translation provided.

Tuesday, April 19, from 6-7:30 p.m. at Farr Regional Library, 1939 61st Avenue, Greeley. Spanish translation provided.

Also on Sunday, April 10, there is an opportunity for you to participate in a *Telephone Town Hall* that will address funding needs in District 6. This will take place from 5-6 p.m. A group of people including the superintendent, a teacher, an administrator, a parent and a community leader will be on the call to answer questions and provide information. Later, we will provide you information on how to sign up for the *Telephone Town Hall*. You will receive a call on April 10 at the phone number you provide, and be given prompts to participate this public discussion.

I also encourage you to take a few minutes to give your input by filling out a parent/community survey. This survey is available at <u>www.greeleyschools.org/communitysurvey</u>. It will just take a few minutes to complete.

As part of our school community and the greater community of Greeley and Evans, it is important for us all to be engaged in civic activities, especially those that have a direct impact on our students and schools. That is also why it is so important that all of us are registered to vote and participate in local elections.

Are you registered to vote at your current address? In order to have a voice in ballot issues that may impact you and your children directly, you must be registered to vote. It is easy to register or change your address on your voter registration. Please visit the Colorado Secretary of State's website at <u>www.sos.state.co.us/voter</u> to register or to change your registration. If you are properly registered, a ballot will be sent to your home address in mid-October, and you will be able to fill it out and return it from the privacy of your own home.

Please contact District 6 at 348-6000 if you have any questions about the meetings, the survey or participating in the election process. This is an important time for our students, our schools and our district. We need your help to ensure we make the right decisions for our schools and our community.

Thank you!

Angie Keedy & Lance Mosness



## Newsletter quiz

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- 1. When is class picture day?\_\_\_\_
- 2. What time do Battle of the Books participants need to be picked up by?\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. What day is the Middle School open house?