

Dogie Digest

December 2017



Letter from the Principal

Dogie Family,

I can't believe how fast this semester has flown by. It seems like the first day of school was yesterday.

With our first semester closely coming to and end, please make sure you stress to your student how important it is to be at school and on time. The main step to becoming a stronger learner is being at school. How can a student learn if they are not here? When students miss out in class, they are missing out in learning. Therefore, the students that are losing out on their education have holes in their foundation that can only be filled with tutoring. When a student start missing a lot of school, the student gets into a cycle of always trying to play catch-up.

Please also stress to your student that he/she needs to try hard in class. Students need to have a final grade of a 70 or higher to pass for the year. To get the final grade, both semesters grades need to add up to 70 or higher. This is really important to students taking high school credit classes because if they do not make a 70, they do not receive the credit; thus, causing the student to take the class again in high school.

This semester we also have started a book study on *Wonder* by R.J Palacio. The book is about "August (Auggie) Pullman who was born with a facial deformity that prevented him from going to a mainstream school—until now. He's about to start 5th grade at Beecher Prep, and if you've ever been the new kid, then you know how hard that can be. The thing is Auggie's just an ordinary kid, with an extraordinary face. But can he convince his new classmates that he's just like them, despite appearances?" This book will help students see that there is more to others besides their

appearance. Plus, it will help students see that "courage, kindness, friendship, and character are the qualities that define us as human beings, and propel us, on occasion, to greatness".

Please check out Pearsall Junior High online. Please see our [facebook page](#), website, and school app for any information, upcoming events, and pictures of our great Dogies.

Thank you for sharing your child with us,

Mrs. Devon Zamzow, M.Ed



Sports Schedules

2017-2018 Pearsall Jr. High Dogie Basketball				
November 16	Carroll Springs	7B/TA/BB/BA	4:30/5:15/6:07:00	Away
November 30	Crystal City	7B/TA/BB/BA	4:30/5:15/6:07:00	Home
December 7	Devine	7B/TA/BB/BA	4:30/5:15/6:07:00	Home
December 14	Pheasanton	7-Old JH Gym 8-Old HS Gym	B Team- 5:00 A Team- 6:00	Away
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Dec. 4 Report Card Night 5:30-6:30 -in the cafeteria

Dec. 8-NJHS Christmas Dance

CBA's will be Dec. 11-15

-11th- Reading/Writing

-12th-Science

-13-Math

-14-Social Studies

Dec. 12 Food Bank@10am

Dec. 15 All A Breakfast

Dec 19 PJH Caroling at Nursing Home (Time is TBA; Date could Change)

Dec. 19- Band Concert

Dec 22- Early Release/ School Dance

Dec 25th-Jan 5th- Holiday Break

Jan. 8th- Staff workday

Jan. 15-19 Campus Benchmarks

January 25: Academic Awards/Early Release

Jan. 26- Stock show holiday

January 29: Report Card Night/6th Grade Night at Junior High

Parents' Corner



50 Holiday and Christmas Activities a Teen Will Get Into

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