

Elite College Prep Academy

“Our mission is to develop strong critical thinkers that will graduate from four year competitive colleges by providing strict character development and a rigorous academic curriculum.”

December 4, 2014

Post # 4

Happy Holidays!

Thank you parents for your support and participation in our school activities, events, and most importantly, what you do at home on a daily basis. It takes all of us working together to help our students learn and propel in their academic and social/emotional growth and development. This month our character trait is “Trustworthiness.” We believe it is important that our students practice and embody this trait.

Christmas Program: Our annual Christmas program for Preschool through 5th grade will be held Friday, December 19th

in the Elite cafeteria. Be prepared to snap photos as students perform at the following times:

PK 3 9:00 - 9:20
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 Kinder 10:10 - 11:00
 First 11:00 - 11:20
 Second 11:20 - 11:40
 Third 11:40 - 12:10
 Fourth 12:10 - 12:40
 Fifth 12:40 - 12:50

Breakfast with Santa: It's that wonderful time of the year again, and we are in the spirit of giving. The annual Breakfast with Santa is Saturday, December 13, 2014 at 8:30

a.m. in the Elite building. There will be music, food, photos with Santa and Frozen characters, door prizes, and a gift for each child upon availability.

Spelling Bee Regional

Qualifiers: Congratulations to the following students who will advance to the East Texas Regional Spelling Bee on December 13, 2014 at Calvin Nelms Charter High School (20625 Clay Road, Katy TX 77449), which is from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Arturo Aguilar – 4th grade
 Isaiah Ramirez – 5th grade
 Lizet Gallegos – 5th grade

U P D A T E S

December is a short and very busy month. In addition to our daily instruction, our students will engage in benchmark assessments to help us gauge their progress and growth before January. Please continue to make sure your child is present at school, on time, comes prepared, and strives to make good choices. Every day counts with not a minute to waste!

Benchmarks: Benchmark assessments is scheduled for December 15th – December 18th. Please note that benchmark results are included in student's averages.

Holiday Break: There is no school on Monday, December 22nd through January 2, 2015. Classes will resume, January 5, 2015.

FBI (Federal Book

Investigators) news: Together, we have read 1,003 books total thus far.

1st Grade: 168 books
 2nd Grade: 114 books
 3rd grade: 324 books
 4th grade: 198 books
 5th grade: 199 books

Please encourage your child to read daily so that we can attain the goal of 10,000 books by the end of the year. Continue reading!

School connection at home!

Independent reading builds fluency, stamina, independence, comprehension, and an increased vocabulary. And, it leads to high test scores. Professional athletes cannot achieve greatness through listening to a coach for hours on end. They become strong and skilled through daily practice, exercising many muscles and taking the initiative. Reading muscles grow strong in the same way, through regular dedicated practice. Twenty minutes a day of reading will have a big impact and open up a world of possibility for each child. Practice does make perfect!

Be the change you want to see at Elite College Prep Academy!