

Hillcrest's Newsletter

December 2023

Hillcrest Elementary School Information

Principal: Dr. Glenda Rosado

Assistant Principal: Mr. Brian Brennan
Principal Secretary: Mrs. Christine Knieling
Attendance Secretary/Clerk: Mrs. Robin Molina
Home School Liaison: Mrs. Maria Serrano
Building Nurse: Mrs. Josefina Federico

Address: 80 N. Airlite Street Elgin IL. 60123

Phone Number: 847-888-5282 **School Hours**: 8:30 AM-2:30 PM

Breakfast: Door 6 Opens at 7:45 AM for free breakfast for all students

Office Hours: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM



Dear Hillcrest Parents,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all of the support you have provided Hillcrest School thus far during this half of our academic school year. Our staff has been implementing rigorous academic instruction supporting the district's Student Achievement pillar. through our integrated curriculum, common

formative assessments and daily- differentiated instruction to meet the needs of all of our students to increase our students' levels of learning. We all know that education is a priceless possession. We at Hillcrest (Teachers and Administration), want our students to have a passion

for learning and that is done through a foundation in the areas of reading, math, science, social science and socio-emotional.

Respectfully, Dr. Rosado Principal

Hillcrest Happenings!

12/5/2023 - Chat with the Principal at 5:30 p.m.

12/6/2023 - Severe Weather Drill

12/8/2023 - Fire Drill

12/7/2023- PTO Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

12/8/2023 - Fire Drill

12/22/23 -1/7/24 -Winter Recess

I want to wish your child and your family a wonderful Winter Break! We will see your child ready to learn on Monday, January 8, 2024.

Drills

We want to inform you that we will have two drills during the month of December. The first is severe weather and the other is fire. Talk to your children about how important it is to stay calm and listen to adults' directives.

Attendance

We continue to monitor our daily attendance as well as our monthly attendance. We also recognize there are unforeseen circumstances that keep a student from attending school. You can see in the chart below, our monthly attendance percentage for the months of September through November 28, 2023. We are striving to have 92% perfect attendance each month. We know you can help us by sending your child to school every day.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but it adds up!

When a student misses 2 days a month:

- · They will miss 20 days a year
- They will miss 30 hours of math over the school year
- They will miss 60 hours of reading and writing over the school year
- They will miss over a year of school by graduation

When a student misses 4 days a month:

- They will miss 40 days a year
- They will miss 60 hours of math over the school year
- They will miss 120 hours of reading and writing over the school year
- They will miss over 2 years of school by graduation

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

read well by the end of third grade



MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

pass important courses



HIGH SCHOOLERS

stay on track for graduation



COLLEGE STUDENTS

earn their degrees



WORKERS

succeed in their jobs

Too many absences—excused or unexcused—can keep students from succeeding in school and in life. How many are too many? 10% of the school year—that's 18 missed days or 2 days a month—can knock students off track.



Cold Weather

The weather outside is getting colder. Please make sure you are sending your child with the appropriate clothing for this wintry weather. **The students will go outside for recess if the wind chill factor is 10 or above.** As always, we are here to support both students and families and if there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to contact us at the number listed above.



Health Information

We know that with the cold weather approaching many of our students need inhalers. They can carry their own inhaler, but will need to be able to use the inhaler themselves. No school staff can administer the medication. The nurse can't either unless there is a medication administration permission on file. Please see the form below.

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