Dear Acres Green Families,

What a wonderful turnout for our Leader in Me Fall Family Festival! Believe it or not, we had 601 people attend this event. We had lots of compliments about our wonderful student leaders who did a great job explaining the games and how they are connected to the 7 Habits. We are so thankful to our Family Learning Action Team. They worked with our 6th grade community outreach team to organize the games, activities and an outstanding kick-off for our food collection for SECOR! Also a BIG THANK YOU goes to PTO for providing pizza for everyone and supervising the cup cake walk! We also are so appreciative of Mrs. Smith, Mr. Wacaser (Mrs. Wacaser's husband), Mr. Foster (parent), and Elle's (6th grade) big sister, Yuli, for helping serve 90 pizzas to the crowds. We are so excited to see the participation from the community, and can't wait to do it again next year!

Please see below for information on our Halloween Parade and costume guidelines. The parade will be inside this year and will start around 8:50. Parents can head down to the gym to view the parade. Class parties will take place once the parade is finished, your child's classroom teacher will share more information on specifics. Students will change out of costumes after all the celebrations are completed. Thanks! .
Douglas County School District School Board has voted to put both a bond and mill levy on the November ballot. If you would like more information on this important issue, please check on the district website's funding information page.

Have a great week!

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AGE Halloween Parade & Party Info

Wednesday, October 31st

Students should be wearing their costume before arriving at school and must bring clothes to change into after the parade.
We will be having a costume parade from 8:50-9:20am in the Gym/Cafeteria.
Parents are welcome to attend the parade. You will stand in the middle of the gym/cafeteria.
Grade levels will be called down and walk around the space one time.
Students will change clothes after the parade so they can continue with a regular school day.

Please note...

Costumes should be school appropriate (no gore, not overly scary, no face paint or makeup, no hair color, and NO weapons)
When choosing your child’s costume, please be sensitive to the many cultures that are represented in our school community (For example, our Native American families may find a stereotypical “Indian” costume offensive)
Healthy snacks for class parties are always encouraged
Classroom parties are limited to 30 minutes

THANKSGIVING Food Drive
For SECOR Food Bank

K - Gray
1 - Stuffing
2 - Potato Packers (Includes)
3 - Cranberry Sauce
4 - Canned Pumpkin
5 - Canned Vegetables
6 - Canned Fruits
D - Canned Broth/Soup

Make by
Lea Cargile & Patrick
AGE families,

This year, we will be collecting food for the SECOR food bank to help families in need. We are asking for your help to collect the following items to donate before Thanksgiving. Each grade level is assigned a non-perishable food item. All donations can be sent to your child’s classroom. Our Student Lighthouse members will be collecting the items each week. Donations will start being collected on Wednesday, October 24 at the Fall Festival. We will continue to collect until November 2. Please don’t hesitate to contact the teacher sponsors for the Lighthouse team with any questions.

Thank you,

Kirsten Braun
Brandy Duvernet
Kristen Lees
Ruth Minellono

Kindergarten - Gravy Packets
1st - Boxed Stuffing Mix
2nd - Mashed Potato Flakes
3rd - Canned Cranberry Sauce
4th - Canned Pumpkin
5th - Canned Vegetables
6th - Canned Fruit
Discovery - Canned Soup/Broth
Congratulations Aniyah Jacques! She is our student of the month. Mrs. Less explained at our Leader in Me Assembly that Aniyah uses the 7 Habits each day. She is kind and caring to all of her classmates. She is a great role model to her first grade mentee. We are so lucky that she is a part of the Acres Green Community.
MONSTER MASH

Monday, October 29, 2018
5:30-7:30 P.M.
Highlands Ranch High School
9375 Cresthill Ln, Highlands Ranch, CO 80130
9th Annual Trick or Treat Street

No entrance fee but donations for the Wishlist Network, a local food bank, are greatly appreciated.
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2018 Mill Levy Override and Bond Proposal

The Douglas County School District's Board of Education recently voted to place a $40 million Mill Levy Override (MLO) and $250 million no-new-taxes Bond on the ballot this fall. If passed by voters, this is how the additional funds would be invested in our school.

**Mill Levy Override** Dollars would be used to:
- Make teacher and staff pay more competitive with neighboring school districts
- Add counselors for our students

Additional funding would also enhance Safety and Security at all DCSD schools.

MLO/Bond funding would be used by DCSD to replace and upgrade Information Technology and Transportation, and add more student programming opportunities.

**Bond** Dollars would be used to make much needed repairs and upgrades to our building, such as:
- Install new generator for emergency systems
- Replace and upgrade heating and cooling systems and components
- Replace and upgrade fire alarm system
- Replace interior door hardware

Douglas County School District would also evaluate our building for additional repairs that would make our learning environment as productive as possible for our students.

More Information: www.dcsdk12.org/funding
Fall Family Festival Fun!
Notes from PTO

Halloween Round-up:

Halloween costumes piling up at your house? Drop them off at school AFTER Halloween! The PTO is organizing a collection of gently used Halloween Costumes for a purpose. We will collect and store away these costumes and then have a costume sale next fall, with proceeds collected by the PTO as part of our fundraising for the upcoming school year. Please consider dropping off any costumes that are in good shape and ready to be moved on to another family!

Thank you for your participation:

Thank you to all who participated in the Leader in Me Fall Festival last week! The PTO was so proud of the turnout and thrilled to be able to support events like this through our fundraising! Thank you also to the families who purchased additional grocery store cards during the fall festival. We do still have several Safeway and King Soopers grocery store cards on hand. You can download and print this document to request a new card if you don’t already have one! As a reminder, store cards are an excellent and easy way to build wealth for our school! All you have to do is load your card with funds before you shop and then pay with your card! 5% of your total purchase comes right back to our school just from your regular grocery shopping.

I voted! Have you?
The PTO reminds everyone to check their mailboxes and vote--it is both a privilege and a responsibility we share! You should have received your ballot in the mail. If you haven’t, Monday, October 29th is the last day to request it by mail. There are several ballot initiatives that directly and indirectly impact school funding, including our local 5A and 5B. Don’t forget to vote the whole ballot—it may be two pages front and back depending on where you live! The postal service recommends you mail your ballot by Tuesday, October 30th to ensure on time arrive. If you missed this deadline, you can save postage and drop your ballot off a local polling station right up to 7PM on November 6th.

UPCOMING DATES

- October 29-Trick or Treat Street at HRHS, 5:30-7:30pm
- October 31-Halloween, Parade details are above
- November 1-Fall Feeder Choir Festival, HRHS, 6:00pm
- November 6-NO SCHOOL, ELECTION DAY and Professional Development Day
- November 13-School Accountability Meeting, Learning Commons, 5:30-6:30
- November 13-PTO, Learning Commons, 6:30-7:30
- November 19-23, NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Break
- November 27, PTO Restaurant Night, On the Border Restaurant
- December 21-January 6, NO SCHOOL, Winter Break

Need more information? See our website at https://age.dcsdk12.org