

# Phenomenal Parkway



## Fall into Literacy Making Curriculum Connections

### From the Desk of the Literacy Coach

This Autumn season we are **Falling into Literacy!** We are so excited about the new district curriculum Read 180, System 44, and Introduction to Literature. Our goal is to develop a culture of learning where students are impassioned to be self-regulated critical thinkers of literacy. Parents are an essential part of student success. Encouraging students to read outside of the school day, along with having meaningful conversations with parents fosters improved reading comprehension. Throughout the year, we will host several Book Fairs where students will have the opportunity to buy books from different genres and purchase items that interest them. It is through the collective efforts of our Teachers, Students and Parents that the transformation of academic success will occur as we move toward, "Excellence Without Excuses."

We just completed our I-Ready Reading diagnostic testing which will provide essential data to help personalize student instruction. This test will take place 2 more times this year; therefore, it is imperative that your child take these tests seriously. Please encourage them to set academic goals and hold them accountable for their learning. We're asking you to create an expectation of learning that motivates students to move toward their overall learning targets. Parents, please take the extra step and celebrate you scholar's efforts.

*"Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students, and enthusiastic parents with high expectations!"* We are One Team, One School, One Family!!!! Today, let US ALL do what is necessary to empower ALL of OUR scholars to be transcendent methodical leaders in an ever-changing global community.

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### Important Numbers to Remember

Parkway Middle School	754-322-4000
Parkway Attendance Office	754-322-4002
Anonymous Tip Line	754-321-0911
Athletics and Student Services	754-321-2550
Bilingual and ESOL	754-321-2590
Exceptional Student Learning	754-321-3400
Family Engagement	754-321-1599
Literacy	754-321-1866
Magnet/Innovative Programs	754-321-2070
Student Services	754-321-1576

## October 2021

### Important Dates to Remember

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
4	5	6 Picture Day	7 Picture Day	8
11 School Pride/ Peace/Spirit Week	12 School Pride/ Peace/Spirit Week	13 School Pride/ Peace/Spirit Week	14 School Pride/ Peace/Spirit Week	15 School Pride/ Peace/Spirit Week
18	19 Early Release	20 No School	21 Second Quarter Begins	22
25	26	27	28 Fall Ball	29 Red Ribbon Day



## Parent Involvement Working with Teachers

Working together, parents and teachers give kids their best chance to learn. Below are five tips for you that will give your children the best opportunity to succeed in school.

- **Just Ask.** Ask your children what they studied in class today — what they liked and what they learned. Asking questions shows that school is important.
- **Quiet Study.** Choose a place for home study and make sure the room is quiet during that time. Creating a quiet place goes a long way toward helping your children learn.
- **Regular Schedule.** Set up a certain time of day that is dedicated to homework. Follow up with your children to be sure their homework is complete and turned in on time.
- **Learn Everywhere.** Increase your children's interest in homework by connecting school to everyday life. For instance, your children can learn fractions and measurements while you prepare favorite foods together.
- **Meet Their Teachers.** Meet with your children's teachers to find out what they are learning and discuss their progress in school.