

"Grateful We Touch Lives Forever"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Pine Ridge Families,

It is with great honor to be the proud Principal of Pine Ridge Education Center. As a former at-risk student, I can identify with the children attending – "I am Pine Ridge." Pine Ridge is a school of promise and encouragement not a school of punishment. Our faculty is transforming the minds and equipping the students for success.

November is off to an exciting start our teachers and staff are so eager to have our students engage in our Fall Festival and Harvest Food Giveaway. Students will engage in many learning activities this month that is planned by our Exceptional Student Learning department and our amazing staff and teachers. In the upcoming month, students will participate in the FAST Testing for the state Progress Monitoring II beginning December 6th through December 15th in Reading and Mathematics. We encourage all students to do their best. It is our goal to see progress made from PM1 to PM2.

Finally, we invite all parents to join our School Advisory Council (SAC) and our School Advisory Forum (SAF). It is not too late to join. The next meeting is scheduled for December 21, 2022. We look forward to seeing you soon.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

11/15– Harvest Drive @ 12:15

11/21-11/25– No School

11/28– SAC/SAF Meeting





WHAT NATIONAL AWARENESS IN NOVEMBER?

There are several awareness months celebrated in November — though the five that often get the most attention include Native American Heritage Month, Movember, Diabetes Awareness Month, Epilepsy Awareness Month, and National Homeless Youth Awareness Month.

A pearl or white color ribbon represents lung cancer awareness, but LCFA invites you to be creative this Lung Cancer Awareness Month. Paint your nails white, wear a white shirt and pearls, or wear a ribbon all November long.

November is best known for Thanksgiving and Veterans Day, but it's packed with an abundance of special days of awareness and observances to celebrate.

ELA/Math Curriculum Updates

ELA:

Benchmark Advance Unit 3

Math:

First Grade: Understand the Equal Sign/ Collect, Represent, and Interpret Data

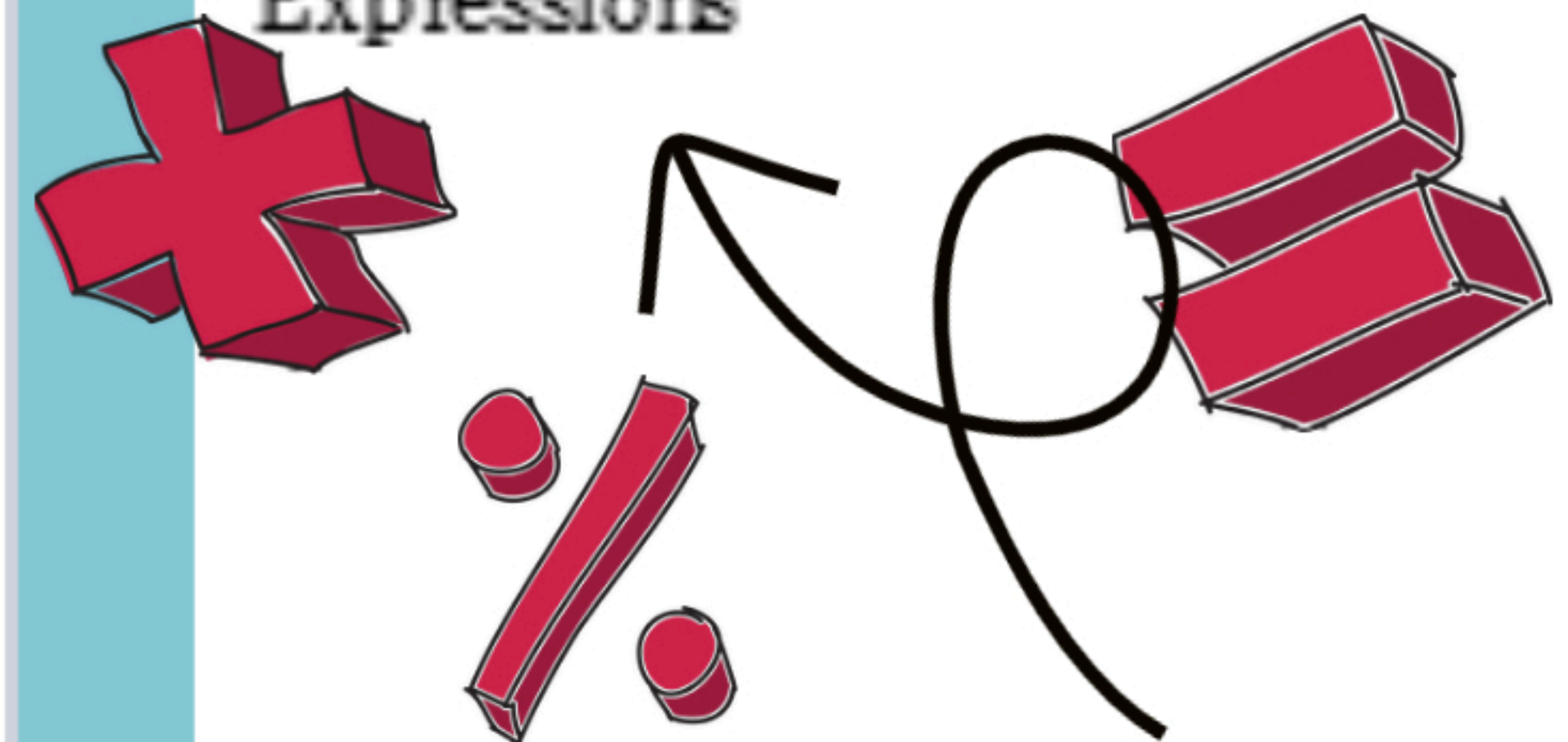
Second Grade: More Subtracting with Numbers to 100

Third Grade: Quadrilaterals, Area, Perimeter

Fourth Grade: Divide by 1-Digit Numbers

Fifth Grade: Understand Division with Decimals

Sixth Grade: Use Numeric and Algebraic Expressions



"Math and Reading are my only weaknesses-other than that, I'm perfect."- Judith Friedlander

Special thanks to Ms. Mogul and staff for making “Red Ribbon Week” a huge success this school year. Everyone Worked Together that Made a Difference in our Student Lives

RED RIBBON WEEK DOOR CONTEST

Pine Ridge Education Center
“Says No To Drugs”



Counselor's Corner

Our school theme for the 2022-2023 school year is all about sticking together. Our mental health team is here to let you know that you are NEVER alone, and we are always here to help! In the "Counselor's Corner" area of our newsletter, you can expect to find tidbits of advice to help support you and your family's connections, and overall mental health.

This year at Pine Ridge Education Center, we long to inspire and maintain hope. As long as we have hope, we know that there are possibilities for positive change to occur. Here are some pointers for how to uphold a hopeful perspective: Shift from negative to positive talk -- rather than getting stuck on the problem, or what is "wrong," talk more about what could be, or what things would look like if they were going "right."

FALL FESTIVAL GIVEAWAYS

Greetings Pine Ridge Families, Pine Ridge Education Center is hosting our Fall Festival for all parents and students to attend. There will be games, prizes, and fun giveaways. Parents will first participate in our SAC/SAF meeting beginning at 12:15p.m. and then transition to our Fall Festival. During this event parents will leave with a fall bag full of items for your holiday fest including a turkey. Please join us on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 12:15p.m.

We look forward to seeing you,
Dr. Henry L. Brown, Principal

Guidance Corner

[November Character Trait is Citizenship.]
Citizenship is knowing, understanding and displaying a high regard for rules, laws, government, heritage, and for those who have served and sacrificed for community and country.

Bulldogs Parent's Corner

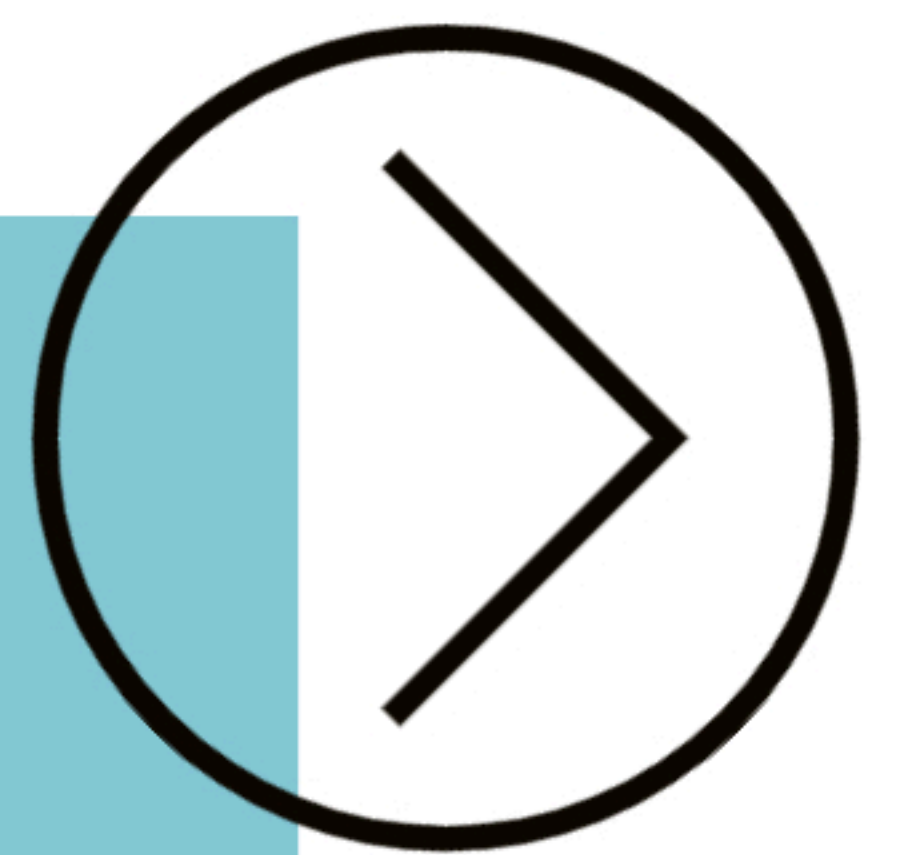
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- School Closed- 11/21-11/25/22





“A team’s collective belief must be greater than all the adversity and negativity they face. It only takes one person who doesn’t believe to hurt the team”



Pine Ridge Education Center is a school where second chances are given. We’re the only Alternative Center for grades K-6; we also house the Promise Program (K-12), The R.I.S.E Program (7), and the AES Program (K-6). Even though we are an alternative center, we have high expectations for our students as it relates to academics and behavior. Our curriculum is the same as every other elementary school in the District , but we do implement the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) standards through our Life Skills class. We teach our students if no one else believes in them, they have to believe in themselves first.

“Gratitude, help us to see what is there instead of what isn’t.”- Annette Bridges