

PRINCIPALLY SPEAKING

Congratulations to all of today's participants in our Local Level Scripp's National Spelling Bee! Our now two-time District Champion, Andrew Ticao from John Mills School, has qualified to represent our District at the West Suburban Cook County Bee in February!



2017 Spelling Bee participants



Ms. Ponce, Andrew Ticao, Ms. Magruder & Mr. Ticao

Parents, a reminder to let your voice be a part of our

school's 5Essentials Survey information. Window will close on January 30. If you haven't responded, the link to add your voice is at: http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Yesterday Elmwood had a kickoff assembly for 1st-4th graders for Jump Rope for Heart. This year 1st-4th only will be participating in the JRFH event during their special's time on February 10th.

5th and 6th students have a chance to participate by purchasing a bracelet or they can purchase the t-shirt on the flyer that was sent home for \$10. T-shirt orders need to be in by January 27th.

Last year as a school we were able to raise just under \$6,000, which helped to save 120 lives!

If you have any questions please email Mr. Paul Uhler at <u>uhlerp@epcusd401.org</u>.

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TEACHING AND LEARNING ARE VISIBLE

Kevin Seibel, Principal Kim Martini, Assistant Principal Jan. 20, 2017

PATT NEWS

The next PATT meeting is Thursday, Jan. 26 @ 6:30 in the Cafe.

The Fun Fair will be Friday, Feb. 3rd from 6:30-8:30 p.m. - If there are any families or family businesses that would like to make a donation to our raffle table at the Fun Fair that would be greatly appreciated!

Please send in your volunteer form if you are able to help that evening.

Thank you for all your support. Any questions please contact Michela Shipinski at 708-845-6446 or email <u>elmwoodpatt2319@outlook.com</u>



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Students at the Second Quarter Honors Assembly!

<u>IT'S A GOOGLE, GOOGLE, GOOGLE, GOOGLE</u> <u>WORLD: A COMMUNITY SYMPOSIUM</u>

Want to hear more about the District Technology Initiative? Want to learn about the amazing technology opportunities your students will have in the near future? Please attend our community symposium where you will have the opportunity to ask questions, observe all the amazing features of Google, and socialize with other community members. A light dinner will be provided.

There are multiple events and you only need to attend one.

Please	RSVP	by	January	29th.

<u>School</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>	<u>Time</u>
John Mills	January 31,	John Mills	6:00 - 8:00
School	2017	School	p.m.
Elmwood	February 2,	Elmwood	6:00 - 8:00
School	2017	School	p.m.
Elm Middle School and Elmwood Park High School	February 6, 2017	Elmwood Park High School	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

How to RSVP:

- 1. Fill out our survey at: <u>https://goo.gl/9tGYDO</u>
- 2. Call (708) 583-6401.

Enlace al volante en español: <u>https://goo.gl/yU1ARs</u>

Polaczenie do ankiety po polsku: <u>https://goo.gl/oLK8Fs</u>



WORDS OF WISDOM

Happy Friday Panthers and Parents! The theme for the month of January is "Stumbling blocks or stepping stones. " This week we focused on trustworthiness. To be trustworthy means to be able to be relied on as honest or truthful. Ernest Hemingway once said, "The best way to find out if you can trust somebody is to trust them." Trust is valuable. It affects everything. Being trusted by others is one of the things you must have to go far in life and to achieve your greatest success. Trust isn't a quick thing you can gain. It is something *earned* over a period of time, after consistently being honest, always acting with integrity, never lying or misleading. It is how you act. It is *who* you are. If you want to be a person other people trust, take a look at your actions, the decisions you make on a daily basis. Here are 4 traits of trustworthy people. Do you have them? Can people trust you?

- 1. People want to be around others that are *real*, meaning they are authentic and have high character. Authentic people are not trying to be above anyone else. They are likeable, humble and easy to talk to.
- 2. Everyone has a bad day. But people want to see consistent, positive behavior in the people they trust. Affirmative actions and smart decisions make a difference in the eyes of others.
- 3. Trustworthy people put themselves in other people's shoes. They are always thinking of others, feeling for others—it's not all about them.
- 4. People build up trust when they look out for others, when they are there for them when they need someone most, not just when everything's going OK.

Have a wonderful weekend, and remember to come to school on Monday prepared to Be Responsible, Be Respectful, and Be ready for class! With something to think about, this is Ms. Martini. Make it a great weekend – or not. The choice is yours!



BE RESPONSIBLE, BE RESPECTFUL, BE READY