

Congratulations!

Congratulations to all of the Gregory Gators the made "Students of the Week" during the months of August and September. These students were recognized as having exhibited exemplary academics or behavioral characteristics. Gregory will continue this practice monthly with "Students of the Month". Gator student's that receive this recognition are listed in the Thursday Picayune section of the Times Picayune.

Gator Field Trips

Gregory School is in the continual process of planning Positive Behavior Support celebrations, and enrichment field trip experiences to enhance and supplement instruction. The 3rd-5th grade teachers are planning a field trip to the Palace Theater to see "Where the Wild Things Are", and the leadership team needs parental assistance I planning a possible fall celebration for the afternoon of Friday October 30, 2009 from 12:30-2:15 p.m. The fall fest will require parents to donate various items for students to purchase with tickets.

Gregory School is also in need of various items that can be purchased with Gator Bucks in the Gator store. Gator Bucks are Positive Behavior Support Incentive certificates given to students by teachers and stakeholders to reinforce and motivate positive behavior.

PARENT MEETING FOR 4TH AND 8TH GRADE PARENTS

A parent meeting has been scheduled from 2:00 until 3:00 on October 29, 2009. All students will be dismissed at 1:15 p.m. that day for professional development. Report Card conferences will also be held that day from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Please come out to talk with teacher teams about student progress.

SRI Testing, Benchmark Testing, Quarterly Test

The second round of SRI testing began last week, and will be completed by October 14, 2009. Scholastic Reading Inventories (SRI) test indicate the reading levels of students and progress made in the reading classes. Classes that have not made significant progress will be changed. Students have also finished quarterly test for the first quarter. Teachers will have averages completed today, and report cards will be sent home in the October 20, 2009 Tuesday folder. Teachers are required to schedule mandatory parent conferences with parents of students that are failing or are making minimal progress. Retention Study and remediation action plans will be implemented to remedy instructional deficiencies. Teachers have ninety minutes of planning time each day for parents to schedule parent conferences. Please call the school office administrator at 373-6229 to schedule a parent conference.

Gator T-shirts / Identification Cards

Gator Identification cards are required for all of our students. The price for the identification cards and the lanyard is \$6.00. The photographer will return next week to take I.D. Pictures for the students that did not take them. Gator T-shirts are \$12.00, and can be purchased in the school front office. T-shirts are required for dress down days and for field trips. Dress down day this Friday October 16, 2009 is:

\$1.00-students in grades 3-5

\$2.00-students in grades 6-8

Appropriate attire will be monitored.

Benchmark Testing

High Schools – Oct. 5th-7th

Elementary Schools – Oct. 26th – 30th

Students will be given review notes and PowerPoint's to help them review.

School supplies / Snacks

Parents, please check to ensure that students have the school supplies that they need daily; Pencils, paper, pens, notebooks and folders. Permanent markers are not allowed. Students are not permitted to bring external snacks of any kind. Snacks are provided by the school. Students that bring their lunch can bring a full lunch to consume in the cafeteria.