



"CROTON CHRONICLE" Croton Elementary



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"BPS's mission is to serve students with excellence as the standard."

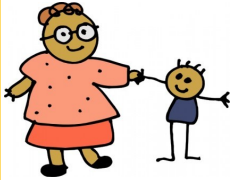
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A CARDINAL REMINDER



At arrival and dismissal all cars shall use the car loop on the south side of the school. Please do not block the cross walk on Learning Lane. Please note: Students should not be crossing and walking over to the business offices on Eau Gallie Blvd to meet parents. This is private property, and Croton does not have permission to use it. This is creating an unsafe environment for Croton students.



dates to Remember

- Friday, February 3rd**
- Early Release Day, 1:15 pm
- Tuesday, February 7th**
- Club/Class Photos
- Thursday, February 9th**
- Galaxy Skate Night
- Friday, February 10th**
- * ~ Interim Ends
- ~ Early Release Day, 1:15 pm
- Wednesday, February 15th**
- Domino's Night, 4:00 - 8:00 pm
- Thursday, February 16th**
- * Science Fair & Awards Night
- Friday, February 17th**
- ~ Early Release Day, 1:15 pm
- * ~ Interims Issued Via FOCUS
- Monday, February 20th**
- * Regular School Day
- Tuesday, February 21st**
- SAC Meeting, 3:00 pm
- Friday, February 24th**
- Early Release Day, 1:15 pm
- Wednesday, February 25th**
- Elementary Music Festival,
King Center, 7:00 pm
- February 24th - March 3rd**
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Wednesday, March 1st**
- * STEM Night, 5:00 - 7:00 pm
- * **Calendar Changes**

Scholastic Book Fair



Dates: February 24th - March 3rd

Students will be visiting the Fair during regular Media time. In addition to a wide variety of books, the Fair has computer software, posters, pencils, teacher and parent resources, and many other items.

Families can visit our Book Fair homepage and get started with eWallet and online shopping at <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/crotonelementaryschool>

Parents take time to visit the bookfair on **STEM Night**

Wednesday, March 1st 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.



FOCUS

All parents should have access to their student FOCUS accounts. If you have not received the PIN for your account, please contact your child's teacher.

Positive choices increase the likelihood that children will cooperate! To deliver choices, think about what you want your child to do and offer **two positive choices**.

If your child is running around the house, positive choices would be:

"You may run around outside or color at the table." or "You may run around outside or ride your bike outside."

Breathe deeply and make a conscious decision to focus on what you want your child to do. Focus on the behavior you want to see, rather than the undesired behavior. Stay positive!





Texting and Driving - Florida Ban on Texting While Driving

Texting while driving is a primary offense, which means you can be pulled over by law enforcement and fined for texting and driving.

Fine and penalties of the Texting Law:

- Texting - first offense drivers will be fined \$30 and no points will be assessed to their driving record
- Texting - Second Texting and Driving offense within 5 years will be considered a moving violation and carry a \$60 fine and 3 points on your driving record.
- Texting in a School Zone - 2 points added to the primary offense.
- Texting resulting in a crash - 6 points added to the primary offense

School Zones and Work Zones:

"Wireless Communications Devices" (AKA Cell Phones) can only be used in hands free mode if you are driving in School Zones, School Crossings, or active construction zones. You will now also receive a citation for using any cell phone in a hand held mode in a school zone or construction zone.



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School attendance is critical to academic achievement and to good habit building.

Students in elementary school who are 6 years of age or older are subject to compulsory attendance.

Excused Absences - Students are only excused for absences with doctor's notes, court date, religious holidays, death in the immediate family, chronic and extended illnesses and absences approved by the principal.

Medical Condition - If your child has a medical condition that interferes with him or her attending school reach out to the school counselor or school administrator to determine the best course of action.

Lack of motivation - If your child refuses to attend school reach out to the school for support.

The School & Family Team - The school and the student's family will work together to solve attendance problems and find resources to overcome barriers to attendance.

Eight or more Unexcused absences - At eight (8) or more unexcused absences in 90 calendar days, an attendance referral will be submitted to the District Truancy office for additional assistance. If there is no improvement with the student's attendance after this assistance, a referral will be filed with the State Attorney's office.



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| Donate food, toys & books | Bring hot cocoa to a friend | Babysit |
| Smile at everyone you come across | Give a secret gift to someone | Plant a tree |
| Give out free hugs | Call your grandparents | Pass out balloons |
| Pick up trash | Volunteer | Send anonymous flowers |
| Send a handwritten note or text message | Walk a dog | Say please & thank you |
| Put positive sticky notes on mirrors | Hold a door open | Say hello |

