

Turkey Hill School Gobbler Newsletter
October 20, 2023

School News:

THS Drama Club Presents Willy Wonka, Jr.

Tickets for the THS Drama Club's Willy Wonka, Jr. are now ON SALE! Show times are Friday, November 17th at 7pm and Saturday, November 18th at 2pm. All seating is General Admission. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors, and all THS staff may reserve up to 2 tickets at no charge. Advanced ticket reservations are highly encouraged as the show is expected to sell out.

For Friday tickets: my.cheddarup.com/c/th-s-drama-wonka-friday

For Saturday tickets: my.cheddarup.com/c/th-s-drama-wonka-saturday

Any questions? Please contact Drama Club director, Kelsey Sullivan at ksullivan@orange-ed.org.

Monthly Themes: You may have heard your child mention that we are learning about monthly character themes this year. You might have also caught some of the segments on our morning announcements if you click on the broadcast link below. This year we are highlighting a new character theme roughly every 6 weeks as we are on our continuous "Quest to be our best self". This month we are learning about **including others**. There have been guest segments on morning announcements to teach what it means to include others and to give examples of it. Our school psychologist and school social worker were interviewed along with Dr. Arterbery to discuss how important it is. Teachers are highlighting including others in their classrooms through stories, lessons, and discussions when they see it occurring naturally day to day.

Conferences: We would like to extend a very big thank you to all of our Turkey Hill Families who partnered with our teachers this week at their child's conference. Every year we always get 100% of families that attend their child's conference - this is not always the case in other districts across the state. It is so important that we have that open line of communication between home and school. We know that the THS families support our staff and it truly showed this week!

Hat Day Fundraiser: Thank you to all that participated and donated - we raised \$363 for our new benches being built by a former THS student working on her Eagle Scout Project!

AV Club Morning Broadcast: For those that are not aware, our 6th grade students create and run our daily morning broadcast that all of our students watch. They create and plan special news segments and have special spotlights for younger students to read the pledge of allegiance. [Click Here](#) to see this week's AV Broadcast. You will be prompted to type in a password. Our password is turkey.

Reminder: Veterans Day: Our Veterans Day assembly will take place on November 10th with a snow date of November 13th. If you have a veteran in your family that you would like to honor please fill out the form that will go home in backpacks today. [Click here](#) to see the form.

Reminder: Halloween Parade: Please [click here](#) for details.

Virtual Backpack: Please click the link to see all flyers in the virtual backpack.
School: <https://www.oess.org/our-schools/turkey-hill/virtual-backpack/school-news>
PTO: <https://sites.google.com/view/turkey-hill-school-pto/>
Community: <https://www.oess.org/our-schools/turkey-hill/virtual-backpack/new-page>

PTO Events

PTO Membership: At the end of our official membership drive, just 67% of THS families have joined the PTO... far short of our 100% goal! But it's not too late - all PTO members receive a school directory and you can still join through the end of October to get yours. Membership is just \$20/family, and supports PTO programs, field trip buses, curriculum stipends for teachers, and more! As a reminder, all PTO volunteers must be dues-paying members. Join now here: <https://ths-pto-23-24-membership.cheddarup.com>

Questions or want to check to see if you already joined? Contact turkeyhillpto@gmail.com.

Art Goes to School: We are ready to kick off the Art Goes to School program for the 2023-2024 school year! Art Goes to School is a PTO-sponsored cultural arts program that delivers approximately 4 art enrichment lessons to the classrooms throughout the year. Lessons are prepared and shared with volunteers before heading in the classroom, and all materials are provided by the PTO. We are looking for 2-4 volunteers for each classroom to present the AGTS lessons to their child's class this year! Click the link below to sign up by Friday, October 20th.
[Art Goes to School Sign-Up](#)

Scholastic Book Fair: Thank you Turkey Hill for a successful book fair! We raised just under \$5,000 for our library and classrooms! In addition to the funds raised, parents and the PTO fulfilled all the classroom wishlists. Thank you to those who volunteered and donated bags.

Turkey Titan School Store: Status for Wednesday, October 25th: **OPEN**. The school store will open during recess, instead of lunch, for all grades. Gift certificates are available for purchase - a great alternative to goody bags! Email laura.yencho@gmail.com or ajdecrosta@aol.com for info.

Yearbook Photos: Submit photos to be considered for inclusion in the yearbook here: [2023/2024 Yearbook Photo Album](#). Email turkeyhillyearbook2324@gmail.com with questions. Photos should be of school events and ideally include more than one student. The deadline to submit corn maze photos is Sunday, October 29.

Stay in Touch! Want to stay up to date on ALL that is happening at THS?

- Follow us on Facebook: facebook.com/turkeyhillschool
- Get Remind texts: <https://www.remind.com/join/thspto2324>
- Sync our THS PTO calendar to your own: <https://bit.ly/THSPTOCalendar>
- Find links to all the latest on our website: <https://bit.ly/thspto>
- We welcome your questions and feedback! Email us anytime at turkeyhillpto@gmail.com

Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
23 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5	24 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5	25 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5 School Store Open	26 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5 Grade 3 Visits Bryan Andrew House	27 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5 Wear your THS Spirit Wear
30th	31st Halloween Parade at 1:30 with classroom parties immediately after.	1st School Store Open	2nd	3rd Wear your THS Spirit Wear

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