

Georgetown Hawks Happenings

March 13, 2017

Click on this link to view the Georgetown Parent News Calendar: <https://goo.gl/LR5cKU>

Join us at the Science Promo Night - Wednesday, 3/15 (6-8 p.m.)

PARCC Testing:

Over the next three weeks of school, all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will be taking the PARCC assessment. The state of Illinois requires all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students to be assessed annually with this measure in English Language Arts (reading and writing) and in Math. Please encourage your children to do their best on these assessments over the course of 7 days. You can help by:

1. Making sure they get a good night's rest
2. Eat a healthy breakfast
3. Get to school on-time and avoid mid-day appointments

Schedule:

Week of March 13th: 3rd and 4th grades Math (4 days)
Week of March 20th: 4th grade ELA (3 days) and 5th grade Math (4 days)
Week of April 3rd: 3rd and 5th grades ELA (3 days)

YOU ARE INVITED TO GEORGETOWN PTA'S 2017 SCIENCE FAIR PREVIEW NIGHT!

WHEN? Wednesday, March 15th 2017
WHERE? Georgetown Elementary Multipurpose Room
WHEN? 6-8pm
WHO? All families of students in grades K-5.
WHAT? We will be meeting 7 Scientists from our own neighborhood. Scientists include: A particle physicist, a chemical engineer, a climate scientist, a naturalist, and a pediatrician -- plus a few surprises !

The PTA will be selling science fair boards and displaying past years projects as examples. Boards will be sold for \$ 2 each.

WHY? Science is for EVERYONE!

Questions? Contact Jamie Johnson at jamiejgtpta@yahoo.com

District/ Community News

AimswebPlus Benchmark Assessments

In September and January, Indian Prairie Community Unit School District 204 administered the aimswebPlus benchmark assessments to students in kindergarten through eighth grade. These brief Illinois Learning Standards aligned assessments evaluate academic performance and growth in the areas of early literacy/reading and early numeracy/mathematics. The final administration of these benchmark assessments will be in May. The purpose of these assessments is to evaluate student academic growth toward end of year expectations. Specifically, depending on grade level, literacy measures assess vocabulary, phonological awareness, word recognition, reading comprehension and reading fluency; and numeracy measures assess number sense,

operations, algebraic thinking, measurement/data, geometry, fractions and ratios/proportions. These areas of performance are summarized in an overall early literacy/reading and early numeracy/mathematics score.

Your child’s district percentile rank in these academic areas will be available within the Home Access Center on Friday, March 10, 2017 at 4:00pm CST at

<https://hacipe.sungardk12saas.com/HomeAccess/Account/LogOn?ReturnUrl=%2fHomeAccess>.

Specifically, go to the Grades area and Test Scores tab. Please note that the average range extends from the 16th to 84th percentile rank; variations in your child’s scores should be interpreted in the context of other indicators of academic performance including daily classroom work, teacher observation, historic academic performance, etc.

Paper copies of individual student reports will available upon request. The May benchmark results will be available in June.

Lastly, these assessment results are used by teachers and administrators to assist with instructional planning and differentiation at the grade, classroom and student level.

Should you have any questions regarding your child’s aimswebPlus results, please contact the school principal.

Regards,
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 Executive Director of Assessment, Research and Evaluation
 Indian Prairie School District #204

Georgetown Dates 2016-2017

(Date changes and additions are highlighted.)

Event	Date	Time
	March	
Student Council Meeting	13	8:20 a.m.
Promo Night for Science Fair	15	6-8 p.m.
End of 3rd Quarter	17	
Mother/Son Bowling Event	19	5:00-6:30 p.m.
PTA Meeting	21	7:00 p.m.
Read and Write for Google Overview for Parents	22	1-2 PM or 6-7 PM Crouse Education Center
Kindergarten Orientation	22	6:00-7:30 p.m.
Spring Break	27-31	No School
	April	
Classes Resume after Spring Break	3	
Science Fair	12	6-8 p.m.
5th Grade Parent Orientation	18	Fischer Middle School

		7:00-9:00 p.m.
5th Grade Program	19	10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
PTA Meeting	25	7:00 p.m.
Fun Fair	29	11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
	May	
Teacher Appreciation Week		
Talent Show AUDITIONS	1	K-2 (6 p.m.) 3-5 (7:00 p.m.)
Talent Show REHEARSAL	8	7:00 p.m.
PTA Movie Night	12	6-8 p.m.
Talent SHOW	15	7:00 p.m.
Chorus Concert	17	6:30 p.m.
Volunteer Breakfast	18	8:15 - 9:00 a.m.
Fine Arts Festival	20	
PTA Meeting	23	7:00 p.m.
	June	All June Dates are TENTATIVE - based on use of Snow Days
4th and 5th Awards Assembly	1	Morning
5th Grade Farewell	1	1:30-3:15 p.m.
Field Day	2	
Last Day of School	2	
Teacher Work Day	5	