

PSE WEEKLY HOWL

Week of November 27th!

Thanksgiving Break 2023

We have an entire week of no school (Nov 20-24) for Thanksgiving. We have a full day of school on Friday, November 17, and school resumes on Monday, November 27 (also a full day).

Happy Thanksgiving!

As we approach Thanksgiving, I wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for each and every one of you. I am grateful for our outstanding teachers, for our supportive families, and our incredible students. I am honored to be a part of this community, and I look forward to continuing to work together with you. Wishing you all a happy and safe Thanksgiving. ~Stacey

Rise and Shine Food Drive

Thank you for participating in the food drive event this week! We are thrilled to deliver the items to the pantry after school today!

Here are the totals:

- Kindergarten-87 packages of pancake mix
- 1st Grade-139 bottles of syrup
- 2nd grade-96 boxes of cereal
- 3rd grade-111 packages of cereal bars
- 4th grade-56 containers of oatmeal
- 5th grade-89 boxes of mini muffins

We also have two, huge boxes of deodorant and shampoo! Way to go, PSE!!

PSE Spirit Wear

Tigers Inc. is having a **holiday spirit wear pop-up sale on December 12th** in the BVHS lunchroom for all feeder schools!

There will be BVHS apparel available and PSE will have a table with apparel ready to be sold! More details are coming soon!

Late Night at the Star-December 1st

December 1st is our next Late Night at the STAR! Registration closes at 6:00 pm on November 30th!

Prairie Star staff is excited to continue **Late Night at the Star!** Late Night at the Star classes are after-school enrichment programs offered to the students here at Prairie Star.

These sessions, taught by the staff, offer various experiences to the Prairie Star students. With **new and exciting classes, you won't want to miss out!!!!** We will present Friday night sessions in the fall and spring semesters.

Each Friday night class costs \$50 and will run from after school until 6:30. If you enroll in Late Night, you will not need to pick up your child until 6:30.

Please assume that your child is enrolled in each class that they have requested unless you hear from the office.

I appreciate your support of Late Night at the Star. We look forward to this exciting session and many more to come.

Camp scholarships are now available. Please get in touch with Mrs. Sperry for more information.

To enroll in camps, please see the website link:

<https://prairiestarpto.membershiptoolkit.com/home>. Registration closes the day before at 6:00 pm.

All Late Night at the STAR questions go to Melissa Bonner. Her email is mabonner@bluevalleyk12.org.

Cooking with the Crew (Wayland, Purcell, Phillips)

Grades that can attend: Kindergarten - 5th Grade

PSE chefs wanted! Join us for an evening of holiday cooking and design competitions. Students will be able to design and create yummy snacks and treats! We will enjoy our cooking, and drinks will be provided!

Snow STEAM Night (Arquieta)

Grades that can attend: Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Join the fun as we explore how snow is formed and learn how to make our own "snow crystals." We will make fluffy snow slime, create snow art crafts, and play indoor "snow" games. Ice cream and snacks will be provided! It's going to be "snow" and much fun!

Holiday Gift Workshop (Rassette/Vaughn)

Grades that can attend: Kindergarten - 1st Grade

Get your holiday "shopping" done early! We will make and wrap gifts to share with family and friends. We will decorate picture frames, make candle holders, and other great gifts! Snacks, pizza, drinks, and dessert are included!

Singing and Playing and Moving, Oh MY! (Byrne)

Grades that can attend: 2nd - 5th Grade

Join us for some music-making. We'll be singing songs, moving to music, and playing instruments. These will be new activities we have not done in music class. All music used will be taken from this [list](#). Snacks and drinks will be provided. Grades 2-5 welcome!

Winter Holiday Party (2nd Grade Teachers)

Grades that can attend: Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Do you love winter or the holidays?! If you do, join the second-grade teachers to make gingerbread houses, an ornament, and more festive activities! We will have dinner and drink hot cocoa. Wear festive holiday clothes/accessories and bring your holiday cheer!!

Stuffies! (Wilson)

Grades that can attend: Kindergarten - 5th Grade

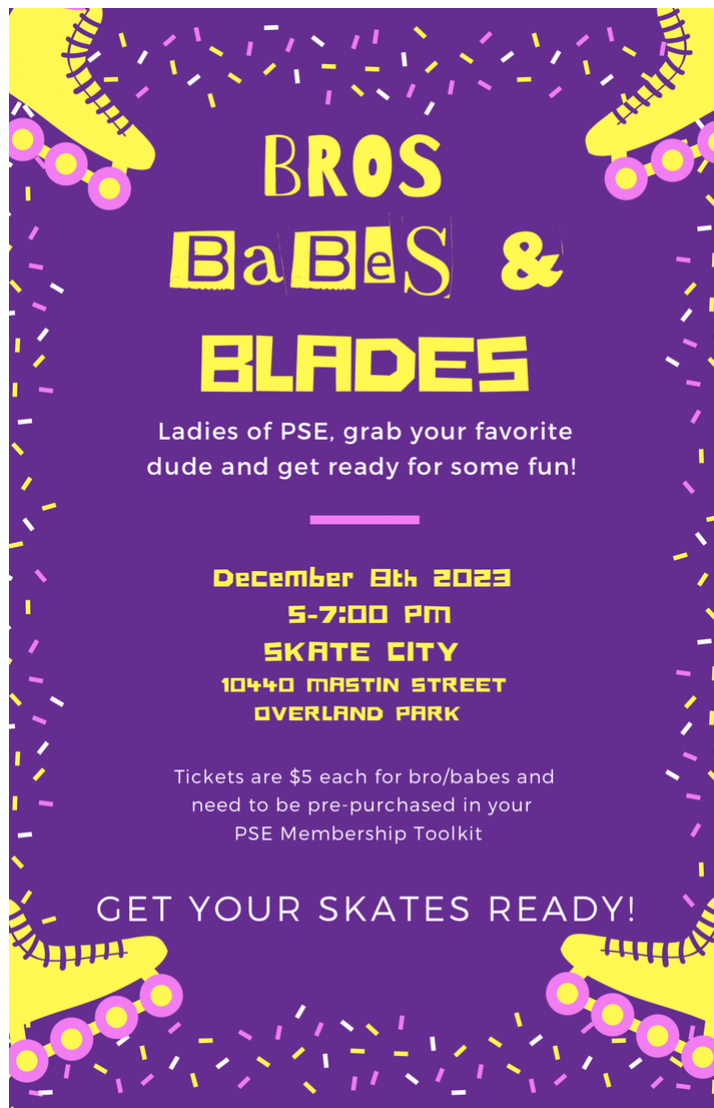
Come make STUFFIES in the art room for Late Night! We will use felt fabric and pillow stuffing to build our custom stuffies and then accessorize them with fabric, buttons, googly eyes, and other cool stuff. A wfantasticnight of creative energy, pizza, and candy!

Our PSE PTO is on Instagram

Your PTO is now on Instagram! Follow along to see all the wonderful things happening at PSE!
@prairiestarelementarypto

Food Delivery

Unfortunately, we do not accept food from paid delivery services during the school day. You can come to PSE with their favorite treat if you want to have lunch with your child. Thank you for understanding.



PSE Yearbook

Please upload your candid pictures! We are currently seeking:

- sneak-a-peek
- first day
- spirit days
- trunk-or-treat/parade/parties
- field trips
- school-related projects/parties
- extracurricular pictures that show off your students' talents-- sports, recitals, competitions, clubs, scouts, etc.

You can follow this link directly to upload pictures to our PSE yearbook library. [ReplayIt Private Photo Submission Site](#).

We are taking orders for the the 23-24 PSE Yearbook through January 2024. Please order at the PTO Membership Toolkit under the New Forms section on the main page. Questions? Email Abbie Moles, Amy Warren and Sally Groesbeck at priariestaryearbook@gmail.com

PSE Holiday Helpers

Each year, we support a few families in the PSE community gifts for the holiday season. Rather than asking for specific items with specific sizes, we are asking for gift cards. This will allow parents to shop for better selections for their children. This is completely optional! However, if your family is willing and able to support us, we'd love your help! Please bring gift cards for \$25 to

help the families shop for their children. Or feel free to use the following credit card link for gift card donations. <https://prairiestarpto.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/264628>
Gift Cards or donations are due to the PSE office by Friday, December 15th. Thank you in advance for your generous donations! (*Note: If you know a family in the PSE community who might need assistance anytime during the year, please let me know. We do our best to help support students in need.*)



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