

Tuscany Heights Elementary

Nov. 12th - 16th

Parents,

We are grateful for the support you give our school! We couldn't do it without you! Thank you!

Tara Bailey

Upcoming Events

Nov. 12th - 16th

Jump Rope Sales—Rotunda starting at 7:20a.m.

Nov. 14th

4th Grade GT Field Trip

Nov. 15th

2nd Grade Field Trip

Eat for a Cause—Papa John's Teacher Delivery Night

Nov. 16th

Trash Free Lunch

Nov. 19th - 23rd

Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 26th - Dec. 7th *Sister School Toy Drive*

Helpful Information

Lost and Found

Visit www.tuscanyheightspta.org to see photographs of all lost and found items we currently have here on campus. If it belongs to you, let us know. We have so many nice things that we hope to return to the rightful owner. Thank you PTA for posting pics!

Parent Morning Drop-Off

Some parents are dropping off at the gym doors. If the line is backed up, please feel free to do so. If not, we would love to open the door for your child or children as well as keep the line moving!
Thank you!

Trash Free Lunch

Trash Free Lunch is Friday, November 16th!!

How much of your child's lunch ends up in landfills instead of being recycled? Does your child bring items in your lunch to school every day in plastic baggies? If those baggies aren't recycled, they could end up taking thousands of years to decompose. Be sure your child knows to use the recycle bins located in the cafeteria when he/she does have trash that can be recycled. Better yet, Tigers, try packing a lunch in reusable, washable containers. November 16th will be our 1st Trash Free lunch of the year! Classes with the best effort to have a trash free lunch will be awarded extra recess time, and all participants will earn a special spirit stick to show that they care about their planet and the all of the living creatures.

Library Resource Page

See the last page of the eBlast for helpful information on navigating our library resource page.

Healthy Birthday Treats

Are you looking for a "healthy alternative" to those traditional "sugar packed" birthday treats to send to school for your child's birthday celebration? Our students have developed a "birthday treat alternative" list that has a variety of healthier options to pick from. Your children are excited about these healthier options so we hope that you will take advantage of these new choices. Please check with your child's teacher for a copy of that list. In the future, Tuscan Heights Elementary would like to apply for The Healthier Generation Award and this is the first step towards earning this great honor.

Leader in Me

*We will host another Leader in Me Night next semester. We are discussing January 29th as a tentative date.
More info to come*

PTA News to Remember

Papa John's Teacher Delivery Night, Thursday, 11/15: Get ready for a surprise delivery from one of your Tuscany teachers! Teachers and staff will be delivering pizzas this night and collecting tips to support our school. Order forms were sent home in backpacks and can be found on the PTA website, tuscanyheightspta.org, under "Backpack Flyers." Remember 20% of all sales and 100% of tips go directly to our school. Don't forget to tip your teacher and support our school!

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Purchase new Tuscany Heights Winter Spirit Wear, 11/9-11/27: Hey Tiger Fans! Fall has arrived and the cool weather is upon us--time to rock out the new Tigers Fan Gear. This is your chance to order new Tuscany Heights athletic sportswear. Hurry and check out the latest spirit apparel including sweatshirts, sold only for a limited time. Orders can be processed online or with the order form found in your child's backpack. The first 100 online orders will receive a spirit stick (ONE stick per order.) Deadline for orders will be end of the day Tuesday, November 27. Items will be delivered the week before WINTER break! All items are sold in Adult sizes, so don't forget all the proud grandparents that might love sporting the new Tuscany Heights Tiger Gear. Get your orders in by Nov. 27; this will be the last chance to order Spirit Gear for this school year.

Fantastic Student Resources at Your Fingertips on our Tuscany Heights Library Resource Page

Tuscany Heights students have access to many great library resources! Be sure to take advantage of these resources by using them at home also. To access the Tuscany Heights Library Resources Page, click [here](#). If link doesn't work, click on Library from Tuscany Heights school home page (<http://www.neisd.net/tuscany/>). Then click on the orange sun on the screen that says, "Library Resource Page: Where our questions are answered!"

To access any of our resources:

1. From the [Tuscany Heights Library Resources Page](#), click on the resource of your choice
2. At the login page, NEISD ID # = Your Student's ID # and School Code = "TUSC". If you don't know your child's student ID #, please go into your Parent Portal and access your child's cafeteria account. The student ID # will be listed there.



Here are some of the great resources you can explore with your student:

Tumblebooks (e-books for e-kids)

Great reading resource! Students can listen to or read along with storybooks, watch storybook videos, read in other languages and read non-fiction books. When they are finished with a book, they can take a quiz to see what they learned and practice writing book reports.

World Book Encyclopedia Online and Britannica Encyclopedia Online

Perfect resources for all subjects that your child is interested in and the encyclopedias are updated daily – can't get any better than that. World Book offers:

WB Kids for our young students from preK – 3rd graders

WB Students for our 3rd – 5th graders

WB Advanced for our 5th – 12 graders



Brain Pop (animated educational site)

Video connections for above and beyond teachings at school. Teachings include the core subjects as well as spotlight topics (i.e. Hispanic Heritage and Elections). Brain Pop Jr. focuses on lessons for grades K-3.

To access:

1. From the [Tuscany Heights Library Resources Page](#), click on the Brain Pop icon.
2. Click Login at the top and enter Username = 'tuscanyes' and Password = 'neisd'.

NEISD Digital Library

Free eBooks that can be read on Kindle, iPod touch, Android, NOOK and more devices! Selections include Fiction, Non-Fiction and Audiobooks. Search by Most Popular books, New Releases, as well as "Lost in Stacks".

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2. Click on "My Account" and enter your Student's ID #.