

# Davis PTA News Splash

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## Fifth Grade goes to Camp

November 9 - 11

Thanks to all the parents for your hard work in preparing your child for camp.  
We look forward to great time!!



## Early Release Day

Wednesday, November 11

12:00



## Veteran's Day Program

Thursday, November 12

8:45 a.m. Davis Cafeteria



## Calling all Veterans!!!!

Please join your Davis Dolphin for our annual Veteran's Day celebration and recognition. Come and enjoy the PSHS Wildcat Battalion, Hands in Harmony, Guest Speaker and more!

A reception for the Veterans and their family will follow in the library.

(Note: The celebration is the day after actual Veteran's Day due to early release and 5<sup>th</sup> grade camper schedule).

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Bulloch at [gonative@verizon.net](mailto:gonative@verizon.net).

# School News

## Bedtime Story Night

Thursday, November 19  
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.



Join us in your pajamas for some cookies and milk  
as Miss Shepperd and teachers read storybooks for everyone!!

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## Thanksgiving Holiday

November 25 - 27

Happy holidays to you and your family!

# Action Steps for Parents to Protect Your Child and Family from the Flu this School Year

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends 4 main ways you and your family may keep from getting sick with the flu at school and at home.

1. **Practice good hand hygiene** by washing your hands often with soap and water especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
2. **Cover your mouth and nose** with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze in to your elbow or shoulder; not into your hands.
3. **Stay home if you or your child is sick** for at least 24 hours after there is no longer a fever or signs of a fever (without the use of fever-reducing medicine). Keeping sick students at home means that they keep their viruses to themselves rather than sharing them with others.
4. **Get your family vaccinated** for seasonal flu and 2009 H1N1 flu.

Follow these steps to prepare for the flu during the 2009-2010 school year:

- Plan for child care at home if your child gets sick.
- Plan to monitor the health of the sick child and any other children in the household by checking for fever and other symptoms of flu.
- Identify if you have children who are at higher risk of serious disease from the flu and talk to your healthcare provider about a plan to protect them during the flu season. Children at high risk of serious disease from the flu include: children under 5 years of age and those children with chronic medical conditions, such as asthma and diabetes.

As your school nurse, I would like to make some suggestions of things you might do for your child during cold and flu season.

1. Make sure your child gets plenty of rest at night and eats nutritious meals.
  2. Keep your child away from anyone you know is ill.
  3. If you do not have a thermometer, purchase one. The digital thermometers are inexpensive and work well.
  4. If your child feels bad, keep him/her home and monitor symptoms.
  5. Take your child's temperature frequently and do not send them to school if their temperature is over 100 degrees. Call your child's doctor and ask if the doctor would like to see your child.
  6. Do not send your child to school until his/her temperature has been below 100 degrees for 24 hours without Tylenol or Ibuprofen.
- At school this year, we are encouraging the children to wash their hands frequently especially before eating meals.
  - We have placed hand sanitizer bottles in each classroom and in areas all over the school building.
  - The students have been encouraged to cover their coughs and to cough in their sleeves when possible.
  - The custodial service has increased cleaning and disinfection throughout all the school buildings. Parents may visit this website to read what is being done in each building to help maintain your child's good health: <http://pisd.edu/news/archive/2009-10/H1N1.Influenza.Information.shtml>

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## Referral Deadlines for Gifted and Talented Program (PACE)

The PACE Program provides services for academically gifted and/or talented students in grades K-12 who have demonstrated the need for advanced, differentiated instruction. Students may be referred for the gifted program by teachers, parents, principals, counselors, or by the students themselves. If you would like to refer your child, please contact your child's teacher or the Gifted Specialist, Mrs. Seymour. Referrals received after the posted deadline will be held for the next assessment cycle. If you have questions about the referral and assessment process, please contact Mrs. Seymour by email at [julie.seymour@pisd.edu](mailto:julie.seymour@pisd.edu) or at 469-752-1046.

### Elementary Referral Deadlines

Grades 1-5 (assessed in March/April)	February 19, 2009
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## PLANO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

PRESENTS

### “FAMILY SYMPHONY SUNDAYS”

#### A FUN, INTERACTIVE CONCERT SERIES FOR FAMILIES!

**What:** The Family Symphony Sundays Series is a fun, interactive series of five concerts guaranteed to be a blast for children and adults alike! Meet each of the individual sections of the Orchestra at the Courtyard Theatre for the Family Symphony Sundays Series. Come early before each concert and enjoy the Plano Symphony Instrument Petting Zoo, an interactive musical learning experience, and more. You and your child will have a great time learning and being exposed to great music all for one low price, less than the cost of a movie. Call Today!

**When:** **Percussion Junction:** Sunday, January 10, 2010 – 3:00 PM

**Silly Strings:** Sunday, January 31, 2010 – 3:00 PM

**Brass-A-Palooza:** Sunday, February 21, 2010 – 3:00 PM

**Gone With the Winds:** Sunday, March 7, 2010 – 3:00 PM

**Where:** The Courtyard Theatre  
1501 Avenue H, Plano, TX 75075

**Tickets:** To order, call the Plano Symphony Orchestra  
Ticket Office at 972-473-7262.  
[www.planosymphony.org](http://www.planosymphony.org)

# Davis Needs Your Help

Here are some easy ways you can Help Davis Elementary.  
**PLEASE** get grandparents, neighbor, friends and your family involved in helping Davis Elementary.

**GROCERY CARDS**- Link your rewards cards to Davis Every every time you swipe your rewards card a percentage of your purchase will go to Davis Elementary. It is not a time consuming process.

**Tom Thumb/ Randalls** - Print out the attached form enter in the charity number ( 7059) then drop it off at the courtesy booth next time you go shopping. It will only go retro to the day you turned in the form. You can have up to three charities linked to your card. **CHARITY # 7059**

**Alberstons** - Please pick up a rewards card at the school

**Kroger** - Print out the attached letter or follow the link below. This needs to be done every year. Take this letter and your Kroger card to the cashier upon checkout. You can only have one charity per card. <http://www.krogerneighbor.com/pdf/1000083502.pdf>

**CUTTING THINGS OUT** for every 30 Box Top or Label for Education they bring to school they will get a little prize. Drop off boxes are in each grade. They need to be cut out neatly and placed in an envelope/ baggie with their name and teacher included. They do not need to have their name on each cut out just one time on the bag.

**BOX TOPS** - Please save **box top ( pink squares)** on things like Zip lock, Cheerios, Avery products. The school earns .10 cents for each box top collected – for more information <http://www.boxtops4education.com>

Before shopping on line check out the boxtop website, the school can earn money for your purchases.

**LABELS FOR EDUCATION**- Please cut out Labels for Education found on Campbell's products. For more information <http://www.labelsforeducation.com/>  
The school earns points for products, art supplies, and gym supplies

**RECYCLING** - We want your electronic junk; old ink cartridges and cell phones. This company will recycle your stuff and pay Davis for what you send to them. Free shipping or drop it off at Davis. <http://www.ecophones.com/>

**SHOPPING AT TARGET** - Use your Target® Visa® or Target® Card- they now have a Target Debit Card. We will receive a percentage of the amount of each purchase in the form of a cash donation from Target through the Take Charge of Education® program. It's easy. Just visit [target.com/tcoe](http://target.com/tcoe), or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate our school. So if you're going to Target anyway, please consider using your Target® Visa® or Target® Card. Davis ID# 100495  
<http://www.target.com/tcoe> ( the link does not look pretty but it works

**Thank you for helping Davis Elementary**

## Customer Letter

### Step One:

Read through this letter to understand the advantage of being a part of the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program.

### Step Two:

Take the letter with you to your neighborhood Kroger store the next time you go shopping.

### Step Three:

Present the letter with **your organization's barcode** to your cashier upon checkout. After they have scanned your Kroger *Plus* Card you will be enrolled for the current year of the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program. Every time you shop at Kroger and use your enrolled Kroger *Plus* Card, Kroger will contribute a percentage of your eligible purchases to the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation fund. Once a card is scanned with the barcode, it will be active for the remainder of the program year.

## Q & A

### **How many Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor accounts can an organization have?**

One bar code per organization. (Example: ABC HIGH SCHOOL account could represent: PTA, cheerleaders, football, basketball, band, etc. Unless they can provide a copy of their 501(c)(3) letter for their organization.)

### **Can a household "link" their Kroger Plus Card to more than one organization at a time?**

No, the system allows for one organization per household. To change organizations, you must present your Kroger *Plus* Card and the new organization's barcode to the cashier.

### **How much can my organization earn?**

The Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program will donate \$1 million annually. Each organization will earn a portion of the \$1 million equal to the percentage of total earned contributions attributable to that organization.

### **How are the funds distributed and when?**

Contributions will be paid **annually** via check in mid May 2010 and mailed to the organization's address and primary contact identified on the organization application form. For schools, it will be mailed to the principal and the funds distributed at their discretion.

### **All organization's and participants must re-enroll each new program year.**

Please feel free to contact a Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program Representative with any additional questions at 866-995-7643 or email to [neighbortoneighbor@kroger.com](mailto:neighbortoneighbor@kroger.com). Additional information is also available at [www.krogerneighbortoneighbor.com](http://www.krogerneighbortoneighbor.com).

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**Kroger cashier:** Please scan customer's Kroger *Plus* Card at the beginning of the order, and then scan the above barcode. The customer's Kroger *Plus* Card is now enrolled in the Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program

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