



# Armstrong Article

Campus Newsletter



- Dec 5 - 4th Grade attends Sound of Music at MIS 1:00pm
- Dec 6 - HERO Teacher Appreciation Committee meeting 7:30am
- Dec 6 - 4th Grade Field Trip - To Be Like Me - 9:00-11:30am
- Dec 6 - PNO
- Dec 6 - Armstrong PTA Volunteer interest form due
- Dec 9 - TAG testing registration opens
- Dec 11 - Dads Club Stuff The Trunk Toy Drive
- Dec 12 - HERO meeting 7:30am
- Dec 16 - Last day for Vogel Alcove clothing and toy drive
- Dec 20 - Early Release 1:00pm

Find out about PTA events and subscribe to our calendar at the [Armstrong PTA website](#)

12-3-24

Dear Armstrong Families,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving! We are looking forward to many fun celebrations and learning the next few weeks before the Winter Break! Thank you to our Dads Club for providing Hamburger Man for our staff last Friday. It was a beautiful day for a picnic outside!

I want to express a heartfelt thank you to our PTA for organizing December Days for our staff. Funds are collected from our families during BSSU for Teacher Appreciation, and our amazing PTA Board works

diligently to plan 10 Days of Fun for our staff. Take a look at the exciting activities and gifts! We will also have December Dress Up Days for students if they would like to participate. We are so very grateful for the support from our parents and community. Armstrong Elementary is a magical place!



## DECEMBER DAYS

**December 9-** Brrr...its cold outside! Warm up & get in the holiday mood, with some hot cocoa carolers, provided by the PTA

**December 10-** After school get ready to run in the Jingle Bell Run!

**December 11-** Bring a toy to donate to the DCAC Stuff the Trunk Toy Drive- Dad's Club

**December 12-** Staff Cookie Exchange provided by the PTA

**December 13-** Fajita Pete's lunch provided by PTA

**December 16-** Holiday Cookbook Club-staff bring your favorite holiday snack

**December 17-** Enjoy breakfast and a special holiday treat from PTA

**December 18-** Create a holiday flower arrangement & then come celebrate at the Staff party

**December 19-** Pizza, PJs & Peppermint Bark-wear your PJs and enjoy a pizza lunch from PTA

**December 20-** Keep a lookout for the Holly Jolly Trolley to be rolling down the hallways!

Take a few minutes to read the staff shout outs from last week:

\*We love Ms. Green! She has made this school year amazing for my 4th grader, and my younger son loves to come by and say "hi" to her every morning. Whenever my son is having a tough day, she takes the time to show compassion and help him feel better. We're so grateful to be in her class this year!

\*Mrs. Morgan has been such a great music teacher! My kids enjoy participating in class and in all of the school performances. My youngest loves when he gets a sticker in her class and they love telling me about what they are working on.

Submit any shout outs at the link below! I will continue to share the great things happening each week in the newsletter.



Thank you for all you do to support our school community, and I wish you a joyful holiday season! Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Betsy Cummins

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Principal

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December Days at Armstrong



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

A SPECIAL THANKS  
TO:

DAD's CLUB for providing faculty lunch and organizing the toy drive!

PTA for providing so many fun holiday treats such as the hot chocolate truck, breakfast, lunch & holiday gifts for all our faculty


PARENT donations to the Teacher Appreciation Fund during BSSU, which support monthly gifts/ meals in addition to these wonderful December Days.

The Tenbrooke family for giftcard donations.

Thank you from the Teacher Appreciation Committee:  
Lauren Clyce, Sara Thieke, Landen Tillery, Jenna Fry,  
Ali Willford, and Meredith Sarracino.

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Please note that doing anything more for your child's teacher or staff member is voluntary, as they know the gifts and meals provided represent a gift from you. Because it is often requested, a list of the Staff Favorites can be found in the office or with your room parent.



Please help the HERO Outreach Committee provide much needed items for Vogel Alcove!  
We have a tree in the lobby where these items can be dropped. Thank You for your generosity!





# **VOGEL ALCOVE CLOTHING AND TOY DRIVE**

**UNDERWEAR SIZES 2T - 3T**

**BOTTOMS SIZES 2T - 4T**

**SHOES, SIZE 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 AND 12**

**FALL/WINTER CLOTHING SIZE 2T-6T.**

**SPRING/SUMMER CLOTHING SIZE 2T-6T.**

**SOCKS 0-6Y**

**PANTS (2T-5T)**

**UNWRAPPED NEW TOYS.**



**PLEASE DROP DONATIONS AT THE TREE IN  
THE LOBBY NO LATER THAN 12/16**



**HERO TEACHER APPRECIATION  
COMMITTEE**

**When: December 6th @7:30am  
Where: Sky Flex Space**



# **Armstrong PNO**

## **December 6, 2024**

### ***with Ms. Parada, Dr. Wilson & Ms. Sotelo***

**What Is It?** It's a chance for you to have a parents' night out! Your child will have a blast at school with their friends and teachers. There will be gym games, pizza, a glow party, a talent show, a movie and more!

**Who?** K – 4<sup>th</sup> grade Armstrong students

**When?** Friday, December 6, 2024 - 6:00pm-11:00pm

**Where?** Check in and pick up at the little gym doors @ St. Johns.

**Cost?** \$50 1st child and \$40 for siblings. No refunds will be given. \*A \$25 late pick-up fee, to be paid immediately or the next school day, will be charged at 11:01 and an additional \$10 will be assessed at 11:15 and at each 15 minute interval.

[PNO Form Here!](#)

There are still spots available! Sign up today!





# Highland Park ISD TAG TESTING REGISTRATION



Registration Window:  
December 9 – January 10 (4:30 P.M.)

**No late registrations accepted**



Registration is open to  
students in grades 1st-11th



Helpful information found at  
[www.hpisd.org/TAG](http://www.hpisd.org/TAG)



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Dads Club Presents:

2024 Talent Show

3rd and 4th Grade Students

We plan on having tryouts/rehearsal on Wednesday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> immediately after school.

Dec 12<sup>th</sup> show for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders during school time TBD

Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Evening show at 5:00pm

Please fill out the interest form below and be available for the December 11 rehearsal!

[Talent Show Interest Form](#)

# PTA News



Want to get involved? We have [volunteers opportunities!](#)

**The deadline to submit your [ARMSTRONG PTA VOLUNTEER INTEREST FORM](#) for the 2025-2026 school year is this Friday, December 6.**

Don't miss your chance to volunteer with our wonderful families and school! Your time and unwavering support are what make Armstrong Elementary exceptional.

We invite you to explore the many opportunities to match your unique skill set and interests. Whether you have a few hours a week or just occasional availability, there's a role for everyone. With over 200 positions to fill, every contribution matters, and your involvement makes a lasting impact on our students, teachers, and community.

The Nominating Committee is committed to thoughtfully matching each role and our goal is for every volunteer to feel supported and valued by their contributions and to have FUN!

**Questions:** Our PTA President-Elect Monet Ball wants to hear from YOU! Find her at 214.929.1682 or [presidenelect@armstrongpta.org](mailto:presidenelect@armstrongpta.org).

Thank you for your time and commitment. Together, we make Armstrong Elementary STRONG!



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**Armstrong Yearbook: we want your photos for the 2024-25** We love receiving group photos of our Eagles! We are working on a new way for you to upload photos for the 2024-25 yearbook; but until then you

can email your photos to [Armstrongeaglesyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:Armstrongeaglesyearbook@gmail.com). Group photos are preferred for the yearbook, and please include the class/teacher name or event. We do **not** need the children's names in the photos. **Armstrong Eagles Yearbook!**

**Archived Communications:**

Fine room parent newsletters, Armstrong Articles and much more on the [Armstrong PTA website!](#)

# Community News



The MIS halls are alive with the "Sound of Music!" Come see your 5th and 6th grade classmates bring this beloved musical to life!

Performances are **Thursday 12/5 at 6pm, Friday 12/6 at 4pm and Saturday 12/7 at 2pm** in the MIS/HPMS Auditorium.

**pre-sales will close at Midnights on Dec. 2nd**

Tickets are available for \$8. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to reserve pre-sale tickets (pre-sale will close 11/30 for online purchases). General admission tickets will be sold at the door and in the cafeteria the week of the show.





## SENSORY SANTA

Saturday December 7, 12-4:00 pm  
Sewell Infinity of Dallas, [7110 Lemmon Avenue](#)

Families are invited to join PCLDA for our fourth annual Sensory Santa. This festive, sensory-friendly event includes a 10-minute, one-on-one visit with Santa, a printed photograph, and a link to a digital file sent via email to each family. Sewell will have a private room reserved for us, in addition to dedicated parking spaces to make it seamless!

*Pre-registration is required to ensure a calm experience for attendees. The cost will be \$50 per session/family. **Secure your time and make your payment now.** Please plan to arrive five minutes before the session time.*

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