

# CRATER ELEMENTARY

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Dear Students and Parents,

It feels like October came and went so quickly. Our students have been engaging in some fantastic learning opportunities. I have had the chance to see kindergarten students begin reading their first words, watch 3<sup>rd</sup> graders demonstrate their ability to write computer codes, and listen to 5<sup>th</sup> graders give articulate and thoughtful presentations about novels they have recently read. There are so many children sharing their gifts and talents each day at Crater. Please take a minute to read our November newsletter. You should also be receiving a weekly letter from our office titled Crater Connect. Have a wonderful November!

Sincerely,

John McAndrews

Principal

## Crater Autumn Auction November 9th

We hope you can all join us for the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Crater Auction this Saturday. The auction will be an excellent way to connect with the Crater Community and also raise funds for our PTO. More information about the auction can be found at [www.craterpto.org](http://www.craterpto.org)



## Upcoming Events

### November 5

PTO Meeting

### November 9

Crater Auction

### November 11

Veterans' Day (No School)

### November 12

Veterans Day Assembly

### November 13

McEducator Night

### November 15

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Program 2:30 p.m.

### November 18 – 22<sup>nd</sup>

Book Fair

Civil War Food Drive

### November 22

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Program 2:30 p.m.

### November 27 – 29 No School

Thanksgiving Break

## November Character Trait: Compassion

Crater Elementary is committed to promoting positive citizenship with our students. This month we will focus on the trait of compassion. We will be holding an assembly that discusses this

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## No School November 11<sup>th</sup>

Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans' Day. There will be no school for students this day and our offices will be closed.

### Veterans' Assembly



On Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> Crater will be having a few special guests visiting our school. We will have some of our local veterans visit, as the students sing songs led by Mrs. Mendenhall honoring their service. If you are a Veteran or have a family member who is a Veteran, they are invited to attend. It will take place in the gym at 8:25 a.m.

### Morning Drop-Off at Crater

We appreciate everyone driving safely and cautiously while in the parking lot at Crater. We are also asking that when using the drop-off lane to please drop students off, then continue to exit the lane once students are out of the car. Please do not get out of the vehicle and walk students into the building. This will help us ensure all students arrive to school on time and allows traffic to flow smoothly.

### Oregon School Report Cards

Oregon released its school report cards in October. We have included Crater's report card from the 2018-2019 school year in this newsletter. The school report card is only one measure of student outcomes. Crater's Math proficiency rate improved by 5% from the previous year and Language Arts increased by 7%. The state is expected to release science scores at a later date.



## McEducator Night November 13<sup>th</sup>

Please join us at McDonalds on November 13<sup>th</sup> between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Crater staff will be serving food at McDonalds and a portion of the profits will be donated to support our classrooms.

## Civil War Canned Food Drive Nov. 18 – 22<sup>nd</sup>



Each year before the Oregon Ducks and Oregon State Beavers football teams play against each other in their "Civil War", we have a canned food drive at Crater to cheer on the teams and help our community.

Students may bring canned food or non-perishable items to gain points for the team of their choice any day in the next week. At the end of the drive, items are donated to the local Newberg FISH food bank.

All items received by **lunchtime on Friday, Nov. 22<sup>th</sup>** will count towards the canned food Civil War. FISH has asked specifically for the following items if possible: **Chili, Pork & Beans, Corn, Green Beans, Tuna, Soup, Fruit, Tomatoes, Dried Beans, White Rice, Oatmeal, Cereal, Flour, Oil, Peanut Butter, Mac & Cheese, Canned or Refried Beans.**

Let's support our Newberg families who could use the food this Winter and have some fun along the way.