PLEASANT HILL WOLVES WEEKLY UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY 24-28, 2025

State Testing -

Standardized testing is considered by some to be a "one size fits all" approach to measuring achievement; however, schools must still administer standardized tests for accountability purposes. State testing for the elementary and high school is quickly approaching. The following state tests will be administered to students:

- Illinois Assessment of Readiness-3rd 8th grade
 - o English Language Arts, Reading, and Math
- Illinois Science Assessment-5th, 8th, and 11th grade
- ACT 9th 11th grade
 - o English Language Arts, Reading, Math, Science, Writing
- Dynamic Learning Map Assessment (DLM)
 - This is an assessment for students in grades 3-11 who are determined to need an alternate assessment due to a cognitive disability as determined by the IEP.

How can you prepare your child for the state assessment?

Pleasant Hill has an IXL subscription for students in grades K8. There are specific IAR practice questions for students in 38 on IXL, and students in grades 9-12 can use Khan Academy.

Other ways to practice include reading with or to your child; encouraging independent readers to read anything that interests them; playing games that involve math facts; talk about the test with your child.

Upcoming Events for Students & Families:

- Showcase March 6-8
- Bookfair March 10-14
- National Honor Society Induction March 11
- Prom March 29
- Elementary Family Night April 10

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon., 2/24 – Special School Board Meeting for Strategic Planning & Goal Setting, 5:00 pm

Wed., 3/12 – Regular Monthly School Board Meeting, 6 pm

Wed., 3/12 & Th., 3/13 – Parent Teacher Conferences

Fri., 3/14 – No School

Wed., 3/19 – 1:30 Dismissal, School Improvement Meetings

Wed., 4/9 – Regular Monthly School Board Meeting, 6 pm

Wed. 4/9 – *<u>tentative</u> early dismissal for School Improvement Meetings; will know next week

Wed. 4/16 – *<u>tentative</u> early dismissal for School Improvement Meetings; will know next week

Fri., 4/18 & Mon., 4/21 – No School (Spring/Easter Break)

Monday is a B Day

Lunch for this Week:

24	25	26	27	28
Breakfast: cereal bar, fruit, juice & milk	Breakfast: cinnamon roll, fruit, juice & milk	Breakfast: egg bites, toast, fruit, juice & milk	Breakfast: pancakes, fruit, juice & milk	Breakfast: cinnamon roll, fruit, juice & milk
Lunch: tenderloin w/ bun, chips, carrots, fruit & milk	Lunch: sausage pizza, green beans, fruit & milk	Lunch: goulash, corn, fruit & milk	Lunch: taco quesadilla, salad, fruit & milk	Lunch: fish sticks, sweet potato fries, fruit & milk