

Peabody Elementary School Newsletter

December 2022

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Parent Portal

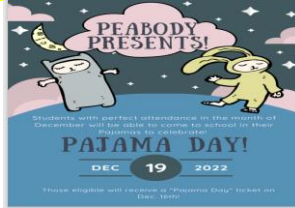
Five Reasons to Sign-up

- Communicate with your child's teacher
- Check your child's grades
- Look up your child's attendance information
- Receive important updates
- View the cafeteria menu

Upcoming Events

- 12/19 - Attendance Incentive PAJAMA DAY!
- 12/20 - Winter Program 12:30pm-1:30pm (Gym Door #6)
- 12/20 - School-wide Testing Ends
- 12/21-1/3/2023 - Winter Break (Merry Christmas & Happy New Year)
- 1/4 - School Resumes

Attendance Incentive



Peabody Is Doing A Little Sumthin' Sumthin' For Our Students With Perfect Attendance

Hello Parents,
We are excited to reward our perfect attendance students with a Pajama Day. Students with perfect attendance in the month of December will be able to come to school in their Pajamas to celebrate! Mark your calendars for [Monday, Dec. 19, 2022](#). Those eligible will receive a "Pajama Day" ticket on [Friday, Dec. 16, 2022](#).

Winter Program

Lights, Camera, Action!



**WELCOME BACK HOME!
Twinkle, Twinkle Winter Night**

Come One, Come All

Join us for our first concert in five years!

Featuring a Student Curated Art Gallery and Hot Chocolate. Students bring a parent and make an ornament for your Christmas tree at home.

Peabody Is Testing

School-wide

Until Dec. 20, 2022

Parent Tips

Preparing Your Child for Testing

All parents want their children to do well in school. You play an important part in helping your child give their best performance on **TESTING**. Here are a few tips:

- Make sure that your child gets a good night's sleep.
- Be encouraging – let your child know that you think he/she will do well on the test.

Principal Shaimeka Humphrey, Ed.S.

- Plan for the morning ahead: lay out clothes to wear and have backpack ready to go (so your child can arrive to school on time).
- Have your child eat a good breakfast. **Remember** – sugary foods can make your child drowsy.
- Be positive and supportive. Acknowledge that test taking can be hard and explain that doing your best is what counts.
- Send your child off to school feeling confident. "You'll do a great job!" "Believe in yourself!" and "I love you!" are always nice to hear.

Family Support Services

Dear Parents,

Our Community Partner The Little Bit Foundation has presented Peabody Elementary with an opportunity to participate in additional Wraparound Services. This is a unique opportunity to provide support to our families. **If interested, please complete the attached Family Support Referral Form and return to the main office.**

Wraparound services is a planning process that follows a series of steps to help children and their families realize their hopes and dreams. The wraparound process also helps make sure children and youth grow up in their homes and communities. It is a planning process that brings people together from different parts of the whole family's life. With help from one or more facilitators, people from the family's life work together, coordinate their activities, and blend their perspectives of the family's situation.

Peabody Scholars

[Let's congratulate our special scholars with a round of applause!](#) Attached is a list of students who met or exceeded their goals on the STAR test for December.

What is STAR?

The STAR Reading and Math tests are used by educators to pinpoint students' strengths and deficiencies in reading and math and offers specific insight into which areas need improvement. Data from this assessment is also used to inform instruction, gauge students' progress, and identify whether or not students are meeting the expectations of state standards. **For additional information, please reach out to your child's teacher.**