



## Booth Hill Elementary School

Shelton Public Schools

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### From the Principal – February 2018

Dear Parent(s), Guardian(s), and the Booth Hill Elementary School Community,

Hope everyone had a great January. As we enter February, please be aware that we have concluded our mid-year academic monitoring in various reading and math skills. Most children have shown marked improvement. For specific information, please check with your child's teacher.

Please see below for some upcoming dates and notifications.

Incoming Kindergarten Registration – Booth Hill will host a parent night for incoming kindergarten students on March 13, 2018 at 6:30.

In addition, registration will take place at BHS on the following days:

February 8: Session 1 9:30-10:15AM; Session 2 – 10:45-11:30 AM

February 9: Session 1 9:30-10:15AM; Session 2 – 10:45-11:30 AM; Session 3 1:15-2:00 PM; Session 4 – 2:15-3:00 PM

February 26: Session 1 9:30-10:15; Session 2 – 10:45-11:30 AM

February 27: Session 1 9:30-10:15; Session 2 – 10:45-11:30 AM; Session 3 – 1:15-2:00 PM; Session 4 – 2:15-3:00 PM

Please call the main office to schedule a time to come register your kindergarten student. Please remember you child must be five years old by December 31, 2018.

Parent Teacher conference will be in March (15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>). As with the fall conferences, teachers will be sending a link to you through Infinite Campus on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Please follow the link and select one of the fifteen minute intervals available to schedule your conference with your child's teacher. These are on a first come –first served basis for available times and dates.

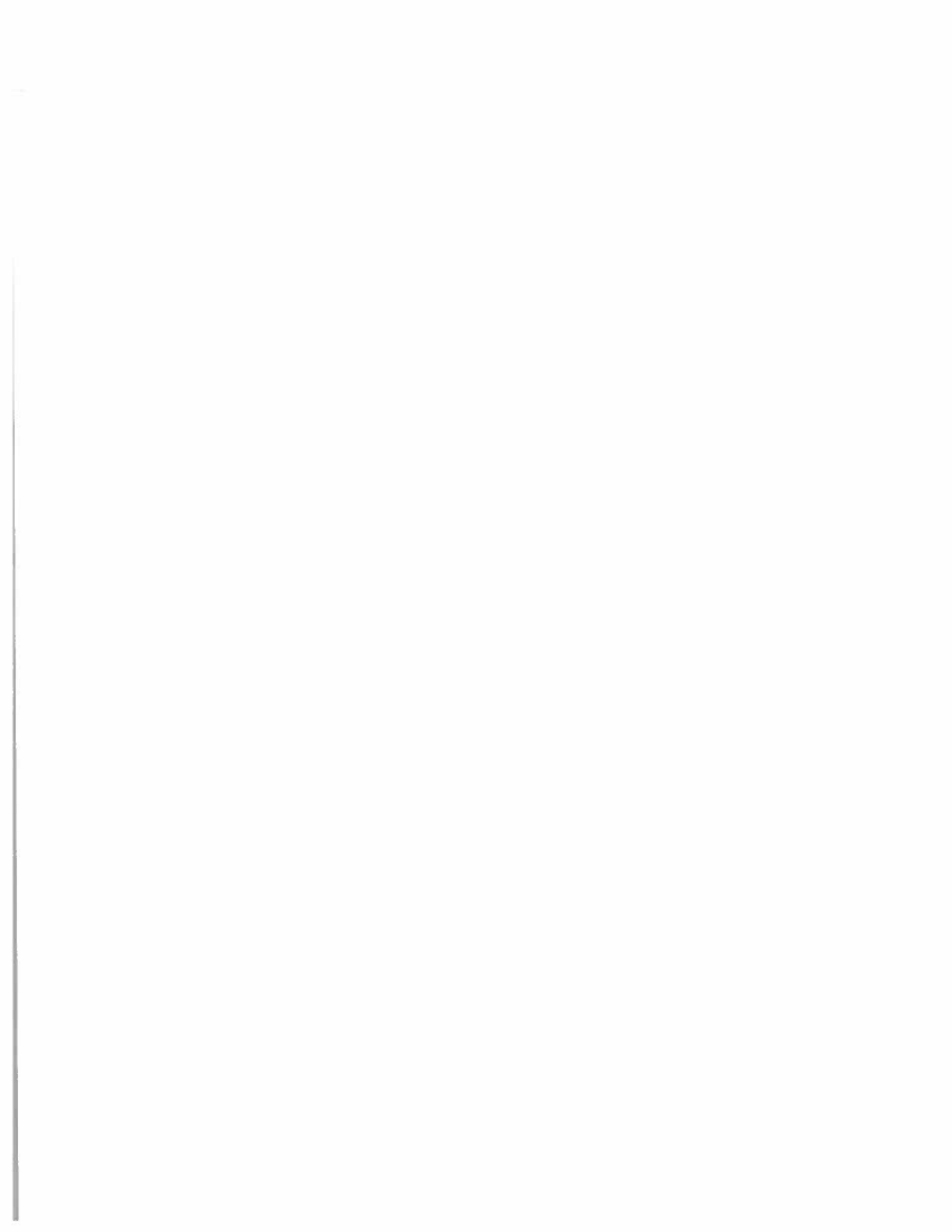
Big Y has started a school reward's program. This is similar to Stop and Shop's reward program for which you may have already signed up. Each time you scan your card, a percentage gets donated back to the school. If you shop at Big Y and can spare a few minutes, please go to: [www.bigy.com/rs/educationexpress](http://www.bigy.com/rs/educationexpress) . Once on the site, click on the link and log-in and register your card number. Booth Hill School is already registered as an option to link to your card. Thank you in advance for supporting Booth Hill through this program.

### Upcoming Information (please see calendar for the most comprehensive list)

No School – There is no school on February 16 or February 19

Weather Related Schedules – The Superintendent of Schools makes decisions throughout the winter regarding the normal operation of school when it is affected by weather. Local radio and TV stations will have the news. If there is any change in pick-up or bussing on these days, please be sure to call the main office to let us know. It is important that each child know your family's plan if a school early dismissal should occur.

From Food Services: Do you know you can apply for free or reduced meals for your children at any time during the school year? If a family member has been laid off or your work is seasonal, you may qualify. Applications are available on



[www.sheltonpublicschools.org](http://www.sheltonpublicschools.org) under District Information> School Lunch Program – Family Application 2017-2018. All questions can be answered by calling 203-924-1023, extension 309.

Change in pick-up: Please make every effort to inform us of changes in pick-up as early as possible. We prefer that you send a note in with your child to the classroom teacher in the morning. It is difficult to change our dismissal lists to specific staff in the late afternoon once they have been distributed.

Emergency Drill- During February, we will have a lock down drill.

Attendance - Please remember the following for tracking attendance:

- a.) All late arrivals and early dismissals without formal documentation are considered unexcused.
- b.) An absence becomes excused when the school receives formal documentation within ten days of the absence.
- c.) A student is considered truant if he/she accumulates 4 unexcused absences in a month or 10 unexcused absences in a year. A student is considered chronically absent when he/she misses 20% of their school attendance for any reason.
- d.) \*Perfect attendance is awarded at the end of each trimester and once at the end of the year. Students are eligible for this distinction when they are present each day including an on time arrival and remaining for the duration of the school day.

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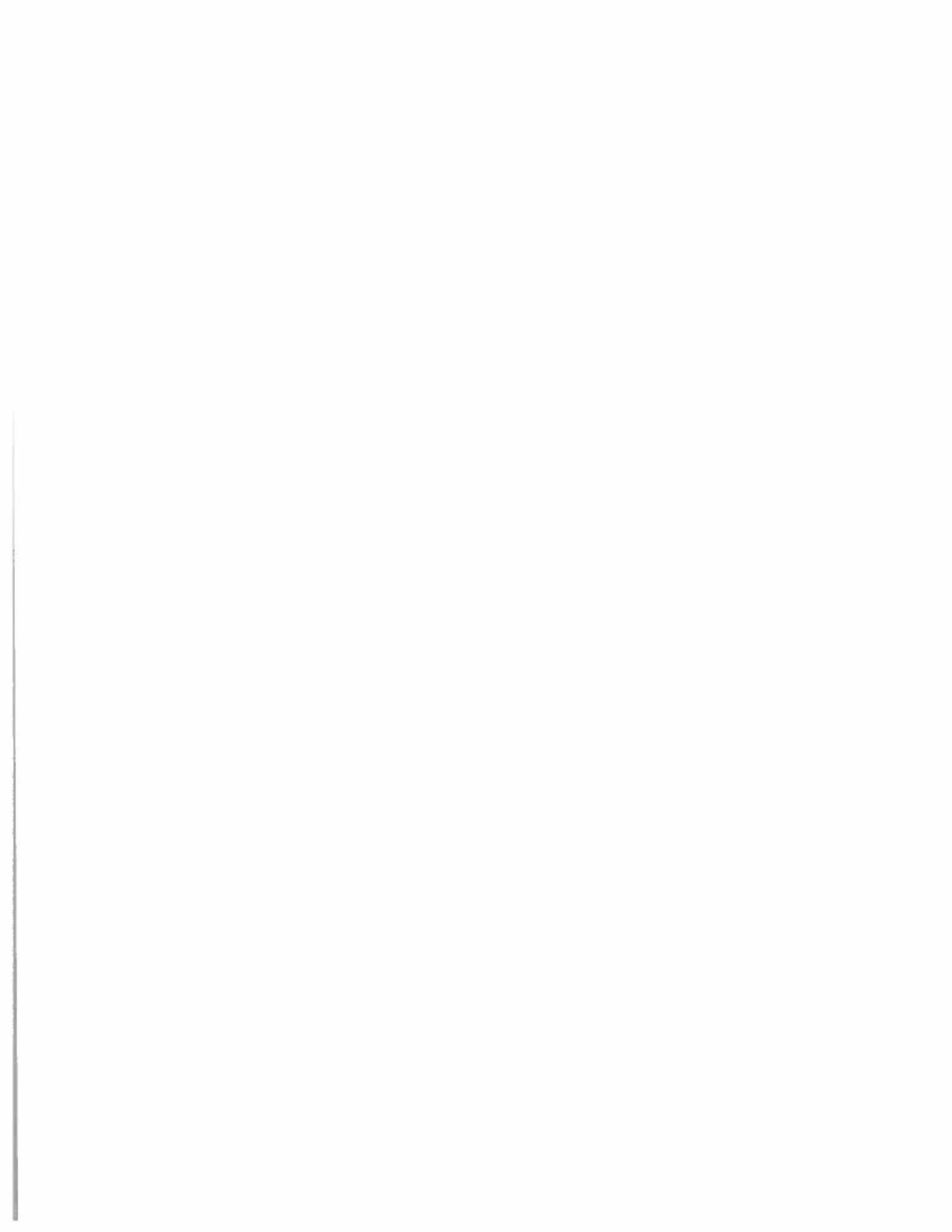
Lastly, for the most up-to-date information and postings, please *follow me* on Twitter @BoothHillSchool

*Take care of yourself, take care of each other, and take care of your school!*

Sincerely,








James Zavodjancik, Principal

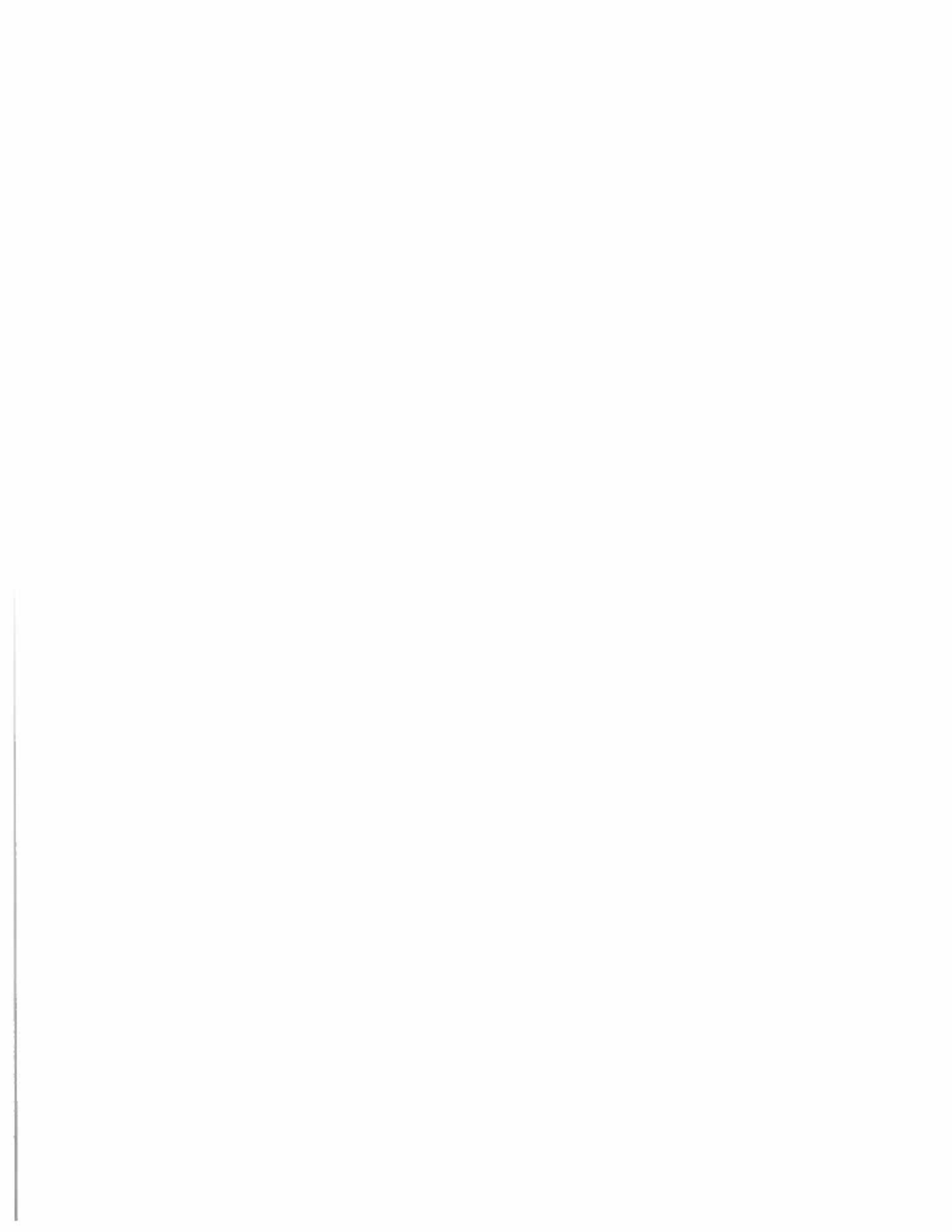


BOOTH HILL SCHOOL PARENT CALENDAR

# February 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b> Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>2</b> Student Council Mtg. @8:15 Brownies Gr. 2 3:45-5:15 Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>3</b> 
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>6</b> CCD @3:45-5:00 PTO Mtg. @7:00 Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>7</b> Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>8</b> K-Registration (AM) Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>9</b> K-Registration (AM/PM) K-Daisies 3:45-5:15 Gr. 4 GS 3:45-5:15 Cub Scouts @4:30- 8:30 Pinewood Derby	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Jump Rope for Heart (During Specials) Brownie Troop Gr. 3 3:45-5:10 Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>13</b> Jump Rope for Heart (Snow Date) CCD 3:45-5:00 Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>14</b> Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>15</b> Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>16 No School Feb. Recess</b>	<b>17</b>
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<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> K-Registration(AM) Gr. 3 Brownies 3:45- 8:30 Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>27</b> K-Registration (AM/PM) CCD @3:45-5:00 Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30	<b>28</b> Boys Basketball 5:30-8:30 BOE Mtg. @7:00			

The Board of Education complies with all applicable federal, state and local laws prohibiting the exclusion of any person from any of its educational programs or activities because of race, color, religious creed, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, past or present history of mental disorder, physical disability, genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by Connecticut state and/or general nondiscrimination laws.



# All You Need to Know About Kindergarten!

An Informational Parent Session about the kindergarten curriculum and expectations and ways in which you can help your child prepare for this upcoming educational experience.



**March 13, 2018**  
**6:30PM**

**SNOW DATE -March**  
**27th at 6:30PM**

- Informational Packet



- Meet the Kindergarten Teachers



- Door Prize

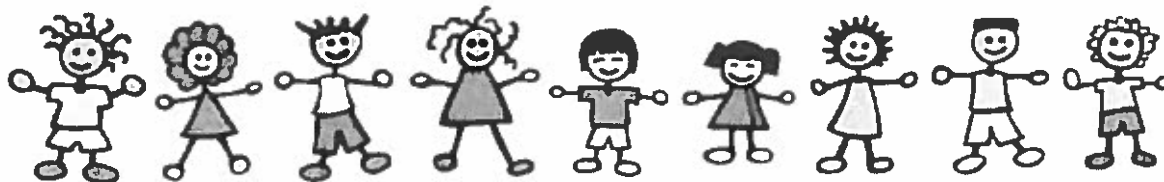


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**SHELTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**Preschool Typical Peer Application Form**  
**Special Education Department**  
**382 Long Hill Avenue**  
**Shelton, CT 06484**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

- **Child must turn three (3) or four (4) years old by December 31, 2018.**
- **Child must be toilet trained by first day of school in September 2018.**

Briefly describe your child's social interactions and language development. (ex. Is he/she friendly and talkative with other children? Do unfamiliar adults and children understand your child's speech? Does he/she speak in full sentences?)

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Has your child participated in any group socialization opportunities (PreK, daycare, classes, etc)? What would you say are your child's most positive characteristics and contributions in those settings?

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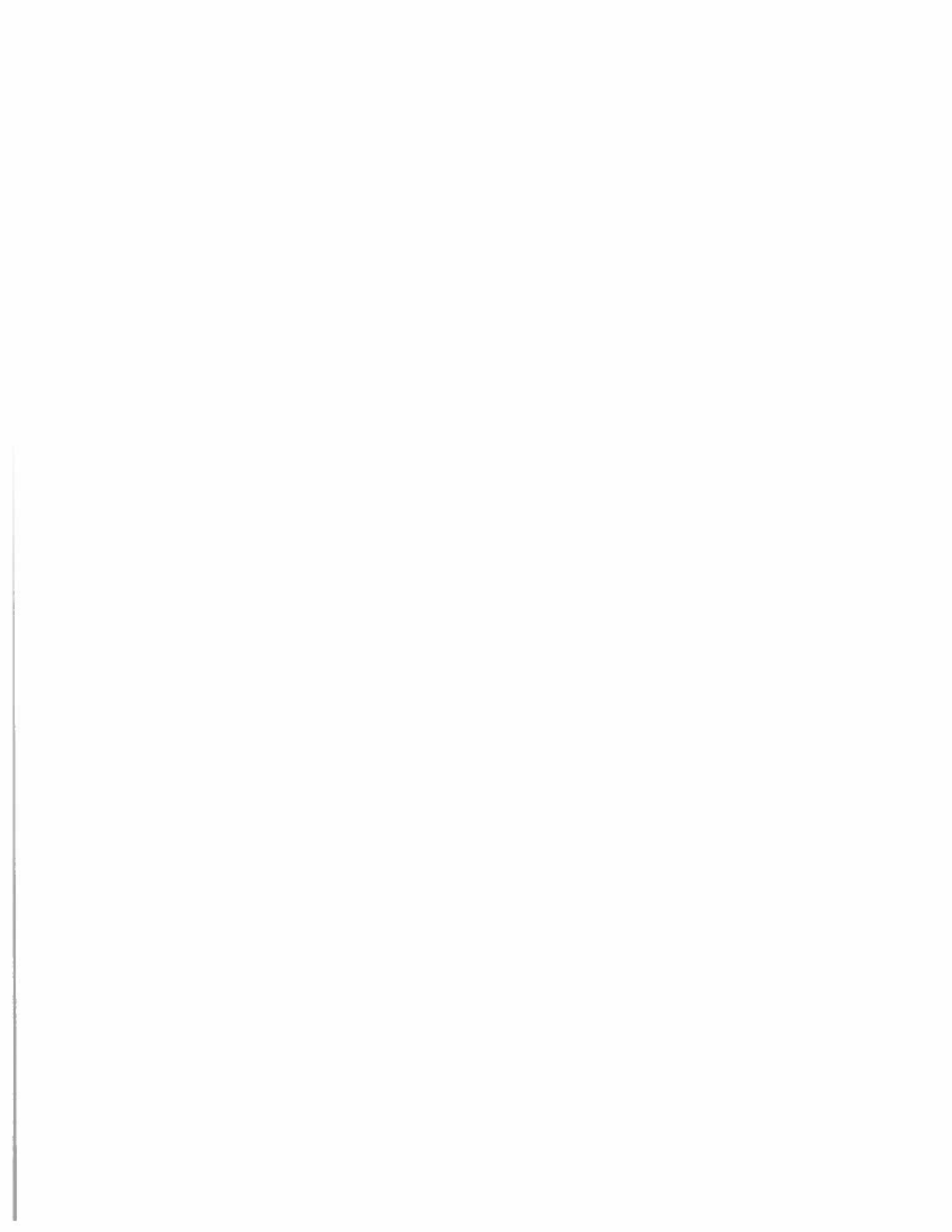
How might your child act as a positive model for students with disabilities or delays?

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Please describe any important information for school staff to be aware of before your child comes in for a screening (ex. medical information, allergies, etc.).

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**Please read and sign below:**

If my (our) child is selected to participate in the preschool program, I (we) accept the responsibilities of providing round trip transportation and following procedures for arrival and dismissal, and participating in regular home-school communication.

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Parent's Signature

Date

**Application Deadline : March 30, 2018**

**Please return this application to:**

**Kristen T. Reilly, Special Education**

**fax: 203-924-8057, or**

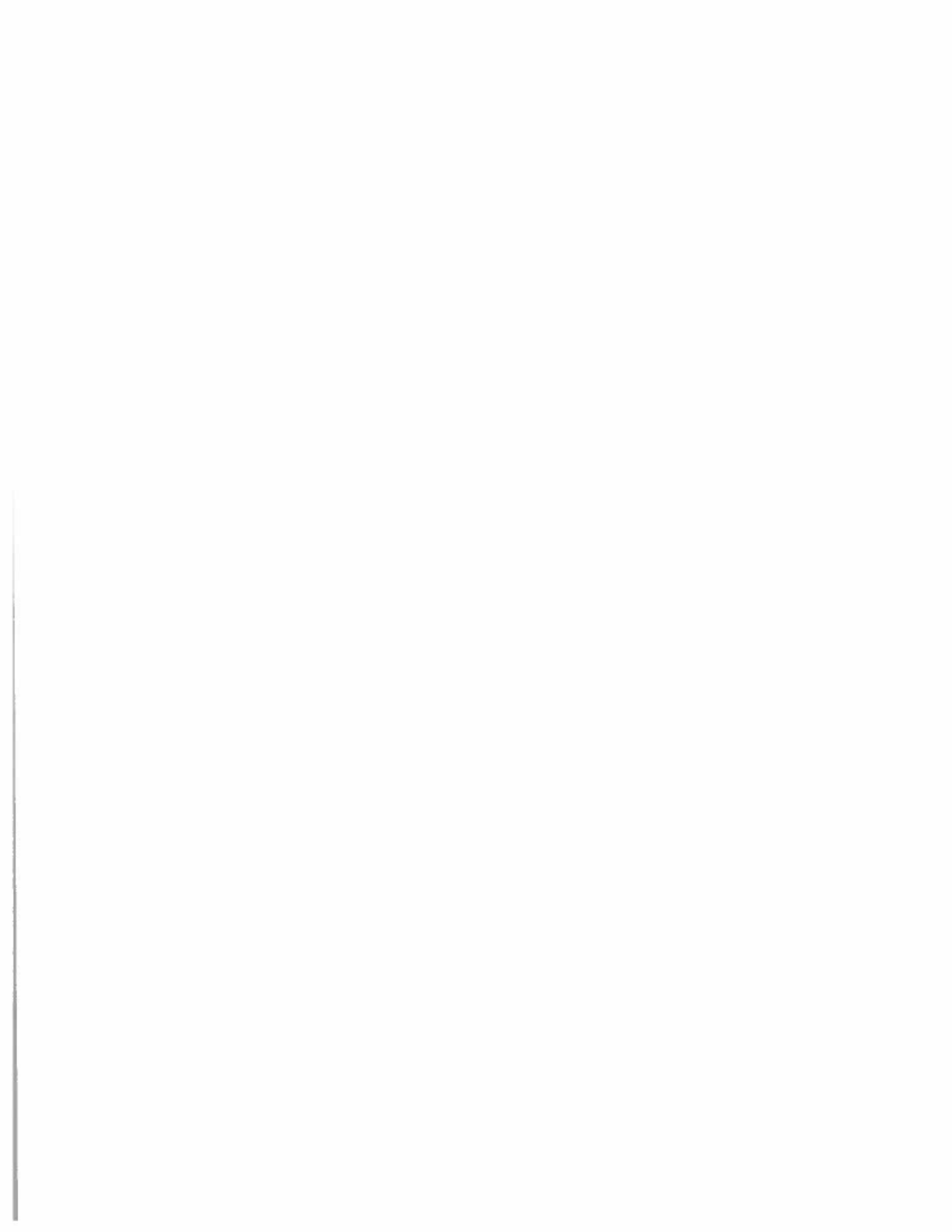
**mail: 382 Long Hill Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484**

**You may email back the application to Kristen Reilly at**

**[kristentreilly@sheltonpublicschools.org](mailto:kristentreilly@sheltonpublicschools.org)**

**You will be contacted after the application deadline to provide you with dates and times in which you will bring your child in for a screening process. Preschool staff will be observing and interacting with your child during this time, both with and without a parent present. Some of the areas they will be looking at will be social interactions, language, attention to task, and ability to follow directions. Also, students will be screened for their pre-academic skills/knowledge, such as counting, patterning, sorting, recognizing colors and shapes (3 year-olds), and recognizing letters and numbers (4 year-olds).**

***Typical Peer PreK Screenings will take place over two sessions in the late Spring at Mohegan Elementary School. You will be notified via mail or email regarding your child's screening dates.***





**American Heart Association**

life is why™



Dear Parent/Guardian,

It's time for Jump Rope For Heart, American Heart Association program that teaches students valuable lessons.

- 1 YOUR CHILD** learns about the importance of taking care of their heart and how it works.
- 2 YOUR CHILD** learns the importance of helping others
- 3 YOUR CHILD** feels good for making a difference in people's lives!

There are several ways for the children to collect donations

- **In person**—practice sharing your heart-healthy message using the script on your collection envelope.
- **Mobile App or online**— download the free mobile app by searching **Jump/Hoops** in the app store or log onto [heart.org/jump](http://heart.org/jump)

As they share the message of heart-health and raise money, students will earn members of the Scare Squad.

**EVENT DATE: February 12, 2018**

**SNOW DATE: February 13, 2018**

**9:10 to 9:55 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Flores & Douglass**

**10:05 to 11:00- 4th Grade**

**11:10 to 11:55 – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

**12:20 to 1:05 – 2nd Grade**

**1:30 to 2:15 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Meehan & Chavez**

**2:15 to 3:35 - Kindergarten**

**Envelope Due Date: February 12th**

**REGISTER ONLINE today!**

Here's how...

Step 1: Go to [heart.org/jump](http://heart.org/jump)

Step 2: Choose new or returning participant and input your info! Be sure your username and password are easy to remember. *Customize your fundraising page & get the app!*

Step 3: Track your progress.

Step 4: Send emails/cards asking for donations.

Step 5: Get the free **MOBILE APP** by searching "jump/hoops" in the app store.



We look forward to celebrating at the event! Thank you for support!

**MRS. SWERCEWSKI**

If you would like to assist during your child's jump rope for heart event, please return this slip.

Child' Name \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_



# Homework with Heart

Help your child set up a personal fundraising page. They will earn a fun glow-in-the-dark wristband just for registering.



### Here's what to do:

- Visit [heart.org/jump](http://heart.org/jump) or [heart.org/hoops](http://heart.org/hoops), or search "jump/hoops" in your app store and download the app. Find your school and join the team. *(Even if you've participated before, you'll need to start by finding your school.)* (image 1)
- Choose whether you're a new or returning participant. If you're new, fill out the form to set up your account. If you're returning, enter your user name and password and update your information. *(Hint: Make sure your username and password are easy to remember since you'll be able to use them again next year.)*

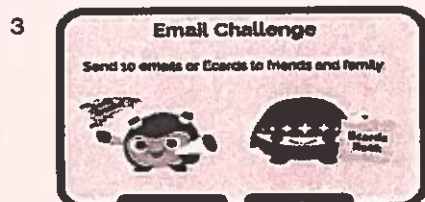
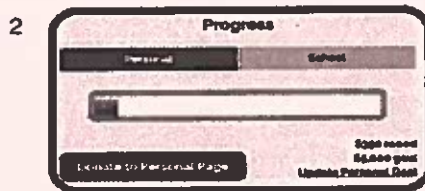
Now you and your child are ready to have some fun by customizing his or her personal fundraising page.

- Track your progress and kick things off with your own personal donation. (image 2)
- Send emails and ecards asking for donations. (image 3)
- Search "jump/hoops" in your app store to download the mobile app. You can fundraise with Facebook and unlock your monsters. (image 4)

Plus each time your child visits the headquarters, he or she will see badges earned and have a chance to unlock special surprises. More visits mean more chances to share messages about heart health and raise funds for the American Heart Association.

PS: Always fundraise the smart and safe way. Do not go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations. Please convert cash donations into checks payable to the American Heart Association and ask your donors if their employers match employees' contributions!

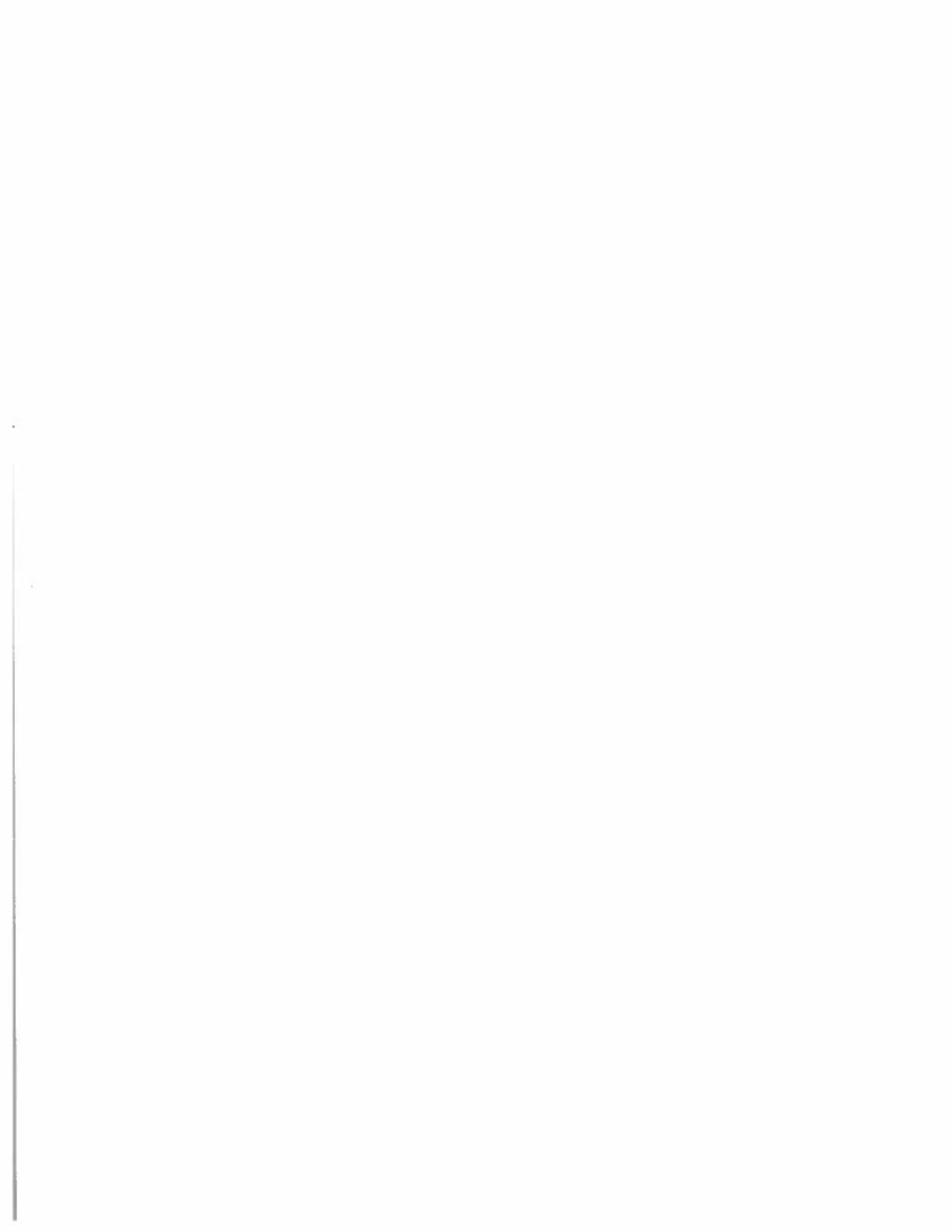
[matchinggifts.com/aha](http://matchinggifts.com/aha)



Register at  
OR, in your app store, search



Do you have old electronics or technology gathering dust in your attic? The Booth Hill School Media Center is looking for donations for an upcoming display “A Step Back in Time.” We will be creating a touch and see museum where children will be able to view and explore “vintage” technology. Items may include typewriters, rotary phones, record players, Polaroid cameras, etc. Please send in items by Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> labeled with your child’s name and grade. Contact Mrs. Armstrong at [larmstrong@sheltonpublicschools.org](mailto:larmstrong@sheltonpublicschools.org) with any questions. Thank you!





# Game Night!

**Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day  
at Huntington Branch Library!  
Children of all ages and their  
families are invited to play  
group party games and board games  
during an evening of fun at the  
library!**

**Monday, February 5**

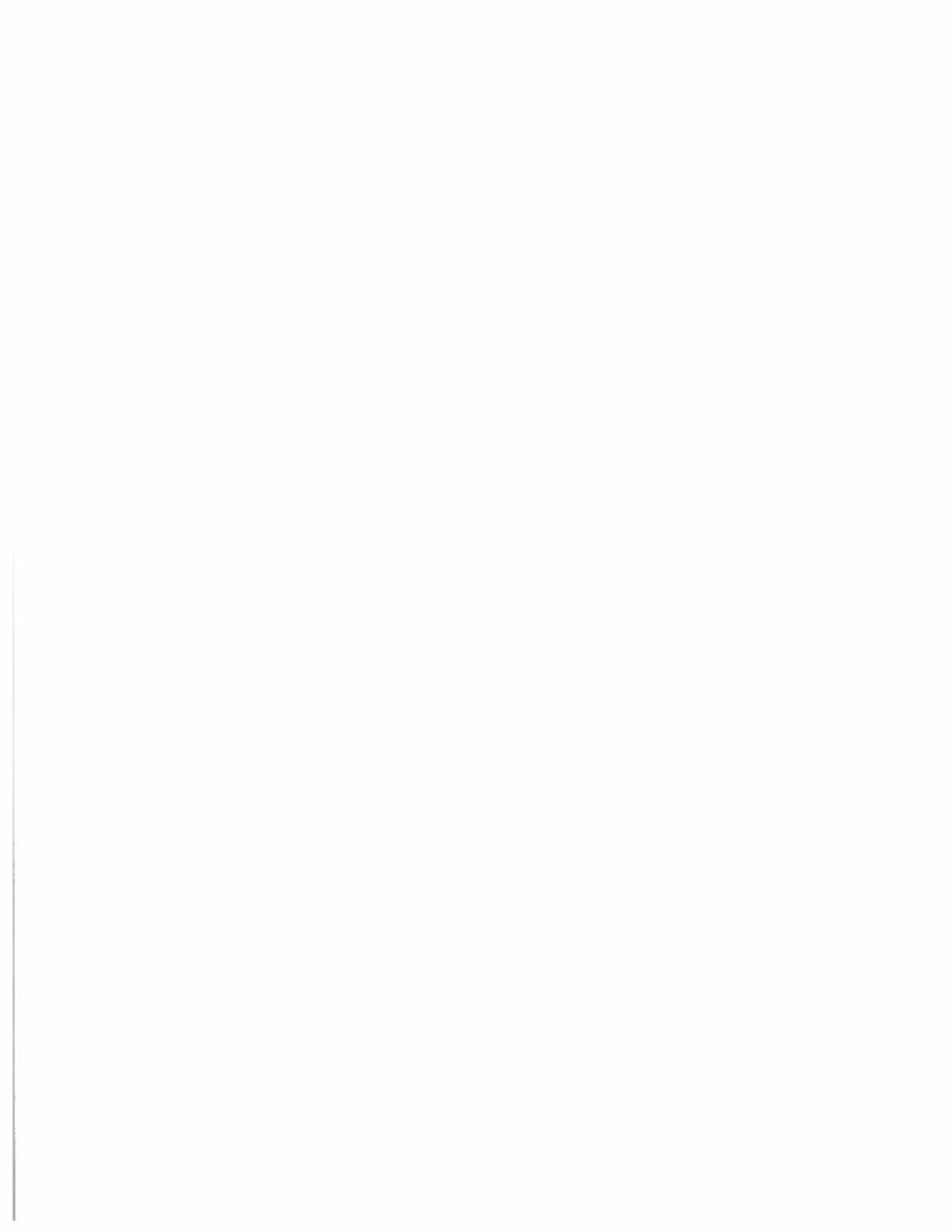
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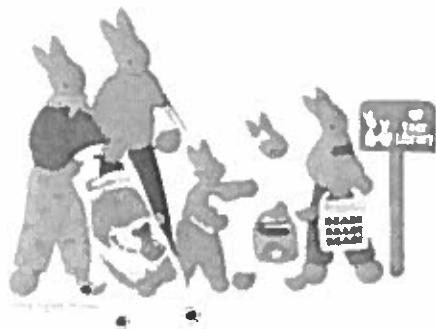
**To register,  
call Huntington Branch Library  
at 203-926-0111 or visit  
[sheltonlibrarysystem.org/events](http://sheltonlibrarysystem.org/events)  
and click  
"Online Event Listings."**



[www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org](http://www.takeyourchildtothelibrary.org)







Take Your Child  
to the Library Day

## Plumb Memorial Library Saturday, February 3, 2018

\*Registration is required for each program



Authors of  
"Fairday  
Morrow" Series

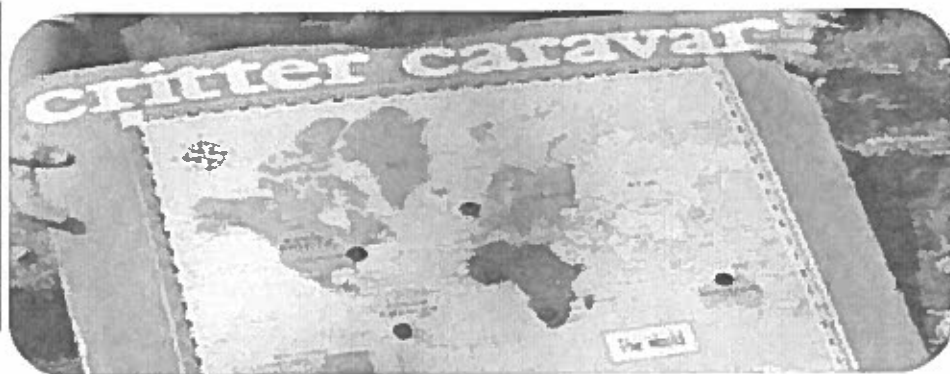
Stephanie Robinson  
&  
Jessica Haight

11:00 AM

Meet The  
Authors!

Take an Animal Safari with  
**Critter Caravan**

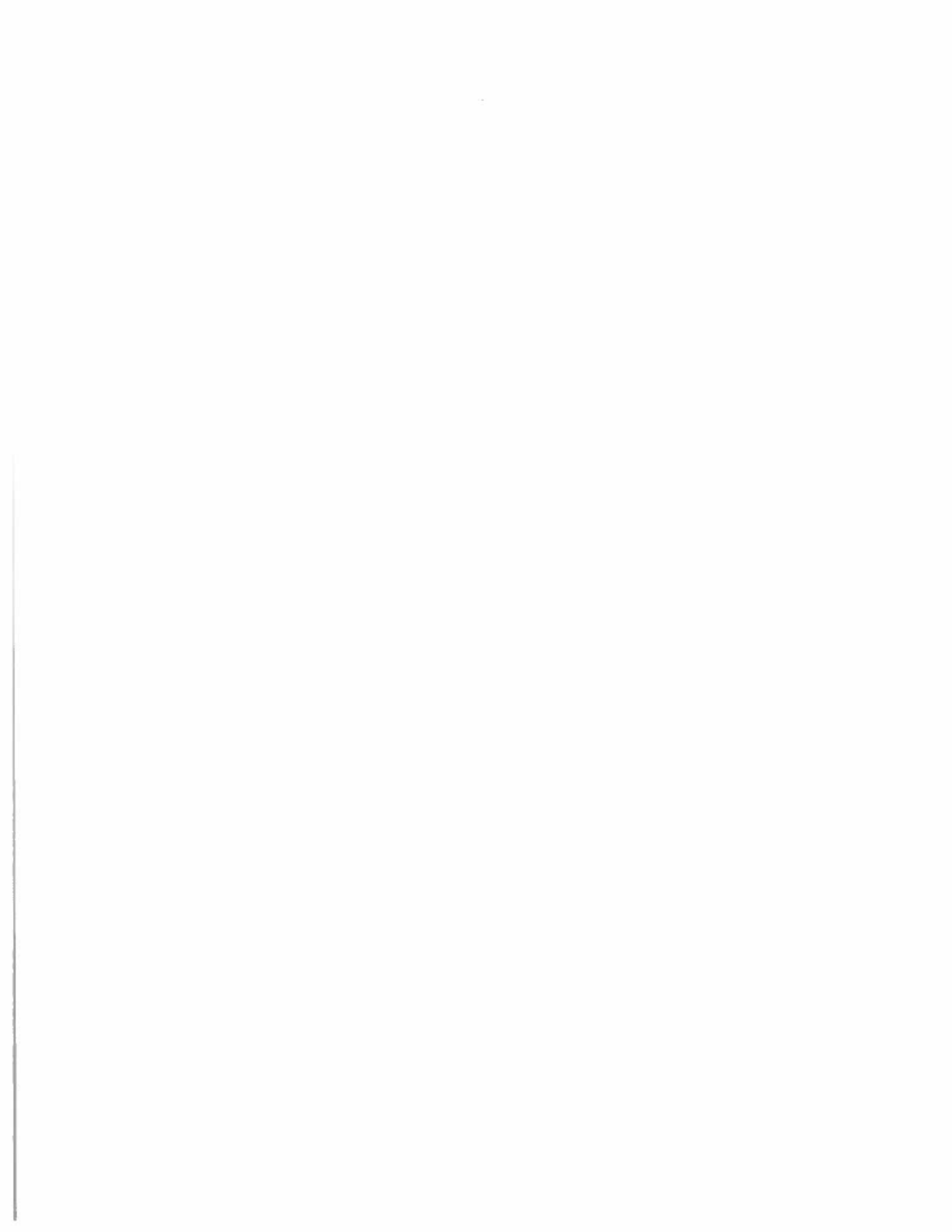
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\*Call 203-924-9461, or visit [sheltonlibrarysystem.org](http://sheltonlibrarysystem.org)  
to register for programs.



# From the PTO



# Box Tops Collection

January 22nd - February 23rd



Are you ready to earn FREE dollars for Booth Hill School? It's Box Tops for Education submission time! Thanks to you, we have already earned over \$750 with the Box Tops submitted this past Fall. With everyone's help, I know that we can double this amount.

I'll be bundling all the Box Tops each week. This is all I need from you:

- Check expiration dates. Unfortunately, I cannot submit expired Box Tops.
- Place Box Tops into a sealable bag or envelope and ask your student to give them to their teacher.
- The top classroom will receive a special prize!
- Ask your neighbors and loved ones to clip Box Tops on behalf of BHS.
- Keep collecting Box Tops for the remainder of the school year! A final collection will take place prior to the end of the school year.

Once we send in all our Box Tops, Booth Hill School will receive a check from Box Tops for Education™. We will use this cash to buy the things we need to support our students. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at [markandstacy2005@yahoo.com](mailto:markandstacy2005@yahoo.com) or (203) 926-0240. Thanks for your help and support!

Stacy Andrejczyk

BHS Box Tops Coordinator



[www.BTFE.com](http://www.BTFE.com)

