The Longhorn Way

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We hope your family had a restful break last week. It is great to have the students back ready to learn and lead. Students have been working hard leading their LEAD groups. Many of our groups have activities they are working on that are coming to fruition next week. Here are some of the activities:

- Our Chess LEAD group has a planned a Chess Tournament for next week. After school on **December 6th**, the students will host the tournament. If your child is interested, have them sign up in the cafeteria to participate.
- Our Community Service LEAD group is sponsoring a PJ Day, also on **December 6th.**. **Students can pay \$1.00 to wear their PJ pants to school.** All proceeds will go to Stray Rescue.

These are just a few of the accomplishments of the 30 LEAD Groups the full list is here: <u>LEAD Celebrations</u>

During this time of giving many of the teams are working on service projects. The chart below outlines the projects teams are working on during the month of December. Thanks in advance for participating.

Team	Project	Items/Donation Location
6 Red	Collecting food for the Parkway Food Pantry through December 18th	Collecting proteins such as nut butter, canned chicken, tuna, and beans.
6 White	Collecting cards and donations for Habitat for Humanity for Puerto Rico	Students will make cards and donations will be collected at the school store
6 Blue, 7 Red, 7 White, and 8 Blue, 7 Blue	Participating in Parkway Adopt-a-Family	Check team teacher for details.

^{*}Team 7 Blue held a coin wars for donations for the Shriners it ended today.

Yearbook: There is still time to order a yearbook. Details can be found on the website or on this <u>Yearbook</u> Order Flyer

Parkway's Drug-free TVC (Teen Voice for Change) is excited to announce that it is time for another mixer! The first Connect 4 mixer in September was such a huge success that our Drug-free TVC Leaders and high school students are already to have a second mixer! This mixer will be hosted by Parkway North on **Friday, December 15th.** All middle school age students are welcome to come join the fun as they remember "The Best of 2017" from **7:00 pm until 9:30pm.** The cost is \$10 with advanced registration or \$15 at the door that night. For more information please check out the Connect4 mixer's website at www.tinyurl.com/safecelebrations or if you would like to register your child go to: www.tinyurl.com/connect4mixer-NHS.

PTO: Next week, PTO will be selling Spirit wear in the cafeteria during lunches on Wednesday (late start day), and from 6pm-7pm Thursday evening prior to the Winter band concert. There are lots of great items for holiday shopping so make sure to stop by!

- Wednesday, December 6th During all lunches in cafeteria
- Thursday, December 7th 6:00pm 7:00pm (in front of library)

Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted.

Thanks for sharing your kids with us!

~Annie

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Mark Your Calendar

December 4: 7th and 8th Grade Choir Dress Rehearsal 6:30pm

December 5: 7th and 8th Grade Choir Winter Concert West High 7:30pm

December 6: Late Start/West Time Schedule

Pajama Day (Dress in Pajamas for \$1 - Community Service LEAD Group)

Chess Tournament in the Cafeteria after school Board of Education Meeting Central Middle 7pm.

December 7: Band Winter Concert

December 8: 6 Red Field Trip to Weldon Springs Department of Energy

The happiest people in life are the givers not the getters.