

The Longhorn Way

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SADF Programs: High School Heroes (trained West High Sophomores) is part of the **SADF (Safe and Drug Free) Programs** will be visiting the 6th grade health classes twice in February. This program educates the students about the harmful effect of marijuana and E-cigarettes.

Over the past few weeks peer teachers (trained West High Juniors) visited our 7th grade classes to promote the message of good character and the impact it has on one's choices. This has a two-fold purpose. Not only does it serve as an alcohol prevention program, it also develops and strengthens the character of our students.

8th Grade students will continue the ongoing Pack'n 4 Now program taught by SADF Facilitators. This program focuses on making good decisions and preparing the students for high school. The students will look at three aspects of their lives: academic, relationships and personal health. New this year, high school students will teach two of the lessons. ***You have the power to inform, love, and counter temptation by simply being engaged.***

Souper Bowl: We are challenging our kids to "Tackle" the issue of hunger in Parkway and holding our inaugural "Souper Bowl!" Next week, students will pick the winner of the Souper Bowl by putting cans in the bin/table that represents their team. The food collected will be donated to the **Parkway Pantry**.

Yearbook Orders: Last chance to order is TODAY! To order or check to see if you have ordered, go to www.yearbookordercenter.com (Order #16759). Don't miss your chance to order as extras at the end of the year may not be available.

Spring Parent Teacher Conferences are February 8th and February 15th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Conference registration deadline is February 6. Click here for the [:Parent Letter with registration link](#).

MakerSpace Lead Group is asking for donations of the following items:

Duct Tape	Wood Blocks	Cardstock or Construction Paper
Legos	Packing Tape	Paper
Popsicle Sticks	Cricut Cartridges	Markers
Elmer's Glue		Perler Beads

Please bring them to the library.

Book Fair: We are gathering a team of enthusiastic, creative, and talented volunteers to help out at our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair (Feb. 8-15), and we would like to invite you to help out. Please take a moment to view our [sign-up sheet](#) to see what roles interest you. Spread the word to your friends and invite them to help us have the best Book Fair ever! Please contact Mrs. Ruzicka if you have any questions. Thank you!

SSD Parent Connection: The Parent Education and Diversity Awareness program offers many workshops for parents. The schedule and registration can be found here: [Parent Connection Newsletter](#). Register by calling 314.989.7807 or 711 (Deaf/HOH), or register online at www.solutionwhere.com/ssd (call the registration number for assistance with setting up an account). Please be sure to register for workshops as they are sometimes canceled due to unexpected circumstances or weather conditions.

PTO News: Conference Dinner for Teachers: PTO is providing dinners for the teachers on February 8 and February 15. If you are interested in donating food or helping serve, please sign up via these links - [February 8 Sign Up Genius Link](#) or [February 15 Sign Up Genius Link](#)

If you would like to donate Our next **Box Top** collection deadline date is **February 9th**. Remember to drop them off to help our PTO fundraising.

Thanks for sharing your kids with us!

-Annie

Mark Your Calendar

January 29: Soup-er Bowl Food Drive begins
Peer Teaching - 7th Grade Health
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm District HRSH Curriculum Night
January 30: Peer Teaching - 7th Grade Health
January 31: LEAD Time
February 2: Soup-er Bowl Food Drive ends

The best kind of parents are those that lead by example.