

# East Elementary January News





## The Benavides Buzz



Hello East Elementary Families,

We are excited to welcome our students back from Winter Break! I love hearing about all their adventures over break and the excitement of seeing their friends and teachers! Semester one report cards will go home on January 12th, in Thursday folders. As a reminder, all elementary grades have moved to standard based grading scale. More information about SBG scale can be found on our <u>website</u>.

January will also bring winter benchmark assessments. The benchmark assessments are completed in accordance with the Reading Sufficiency Act. Students are given opportunities to practice targeted reading skills through the Amira program and may be progress monitored to ensure growth toward reading targets. For more information about RSA legislation, the family guide for successful reading or additional resources to support your child can be found on our <a href="website">website</a>. As always, reading with your child daily will support cognitive and language development. <a href="Reading Rockets">Reading Rockets</a> is a great resource for enriching language and literacy within the home that pairs with developmental levels.

Wishing you a very happy new year!

Mrs. Benavides

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## Great Expectations Focus for January

### **Character Trait:**

### Integrity

Definition: Acting according to a sense of right and wrong

### Quote:

"The time is always right to do what is right" Martin Luther King Jr.

### **Expectation:**

Expectation #6 We will recognize every effort and applaud it.



# **Upcoming Dates**

Mark your Calendar!



Important Dates for January:

1/03: First day of second semester.

1/06: No Early Release

1/09: Winter Benchmark Opens

1/12: Semester Report Cards sent home

1/13: All School Rise and Shine (Winn, Fillman,

and Simmons)

1/13: Early Release

1/16: No School

1/19: It's All About Kids: Fitness in the Classroom

1/20: Early Release

1/20 PTO Bingo Night

1/23: Miss Tulsa Site Visit

1/27: Early Release

1/30: Virtual Rise and Shine & Character Lunch



## January Counselor's Corner





#### Welcome Back!

As we go into the spring semester, Mrs. Nichols and I would like to challenge our EE students and families to be thinking about the goals you would like to be working towards during the spring semester. It can be anything from learning to tie your shoes to mastering your sight words, the pride in knowing you've attained your goals is something that can't be matched.

Goal Setting for Kids

#### Coping skill of the Month:

### Listen to your body!

The holiday season is full of so many activities and delicious foods. While it is fun time of year it can also be exhausting and even overwhelming. This is a great time to take the time to listen to your body. Giving it the rest and nutrition it needs is a excellent way to reset after such a joyous time.

### Important Dates:

- <u>1/16</u>: MLK Jr. Day of Service
- 1/19: Kindergarten-3rd grade Exercise in the Classroom presentation
- <u>1/27</u>: International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Great Expectations Word of the Month:

Integrity

### Acting according to a sense of right and wrong

We will be looking for students we can give positive retrals to that we see showing an understanding and practice of what is right and wrong.

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Instructional Coaches

Corner

When it is cold outside and the kids can't play...Here are some activities to do with your child at home to promote learning.

Early Literacy Activity Calendar (PK-K)



Elementary Activity Calendar (1-3)



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