



DEERFIELD

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Falcon Flyer December 17, 2021

Our students have had a fun and interactive educational week as we head into winter break. Today our 4th-6th grade students shared a wonderful holiday concert with us. Our fabulous music teachers recorded all of the performances and will put them together into a video for our families. As soon as they have it finished, it will be shared on their Canvas pages and websites. You will be notified when these are available.

On behalf of our teachers and staff at Deerfield, we want to wish you and your family a happy and healthy new year. Thank you for all of the kind wishes and gifts that you have showered on us this week. We appreciate you and all of your support. We are looking forward to welcoming your students back on Monday, January 3, 2022! Happy holidays!

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **Dec. 18- Jan. 2:** Winter Break
- **Jan. 3:** Back to School
- **Jan. 12:** Sami Circuit Family Night
- **Jan. 17-18:** No School (Martin Luther King Day and Teacher/Student Holiday)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Intradistrict/School Choice for 6th Grade Students: Families wishing to pursue Intradistrict/School Choice for the 2022-23 school year must make a request during the lottery window which begins at **8:00 a.m. January 3, 2022** and closes at **4:00 p.m. on January 28, 2022.**

If you would like to request a school other than the school to which your student is currently enrolled, please follow these steps by submitting a request through your [**Parent Portal:**](#)

- Click on the banner titled: *The 2022-23 Intradistrict/School Choice lottery window is open*
- Under the Student Info tab, click on *School of Choice Requests*
- Review the *Parent Acknowledgement and Instructions*
- Click on *Create New School Choice Request*
- Complete the request and **SAVE**

REMINDERS:

Winter Bowl Registration Now Open: The Tournament of Champions is back! The purpose of these tournaments is to promote school spirit and unite the community through district wide sports tournaments for elementary and middle school students. We have our Deerfield coach in place and ready to go. The series kicks off with the Winter Bowl Flag Football Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2022, hosted by SoCal Elite Sports, in partnership with Matt Leinart Flag football. Registration for tryouts is now open! For more info and to register, visit <https://ocyouthsports.org/tournament/winter-bowl/>.

Masks: Just a reminder for parents and students, masks are required on campus. Please do not enter the front office, MPR or other area of the campus without a mask. This will help protect our students and staff's safety. Masks are always available in the office and classrooms. For up-to-date health guidelines, please visit <https://iusd.org/2021-22-safety-and-planning-guide>.

Health and Safety: Deerfield, along with all of the IUSD, will follow the guidelines for schools provided by local and federal health agencies. For up-to-date district information, visit <https://iusd.org/2021-22-safety-and-planning-guide>.

Menus are always available on the IUSD website [here](#).

PTA Announcements:

STEM Nights - Thank you to everyone that participated in STEM nights this past week. To improve future programs, please take this short [survey](#) and provide feedback. We are thankful to Kavita Deepak, PTA EVP, for organizing this science event!

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! On behalf of the PTA, thank you for helping our school THRIVE in 2021. Together, we have accomplished so much this year and we couldn't have done it without your support! We are sincerely grateful for ALL OF YOU - staff and families. Based on our successes, we are looking to fund (so far) NEW PE equipment, materials for the Innovation Lab, and library resources! Here's a quick recap of the year:

- Membership Drive Success! 483 members (vs 500 goal), almost \$7K in donations, and 15 teacher sponsorships!
- Free Welcome Back Pancake Breakfast
- Staff Lounge Snacks and Drinks
- Fall Carnival
- 480 Spirit Wear Sales!
- 80 Reflections Art Participants
- NEW Free Move N' Groove Family Fitness Events
- Successful Chipotle Dine Out \$940
- Red Ribbon Week and Ride, Run, Walk Event
- STEM Nights
- \$6K donation to class field trips!

We are looking forward to an amazing 2022. Here's what's coming up:

- **2022-2023 PTA Board Positions** - recruitment extended until Jan. 3rd: Click [HERE](#) to get involved. PTA is expanding and we need many hands on deck in both small & big ways.
- **Yearbook Cover Contest** - Entries due Jan. 31, 2022. See details [HERE](#).
- **Yearbooks on Sale** - Only \$25. [Learn More](#)
- **Dine Out** - Jan. 19th at Panda Express at the Market Place
- **More events in Jan.** - Parent / Staff Feedback Survey, General PTA Meeting (**Jan. 12th**), Move N' Groove Fitness Event
- **Later this Spring** - Student Enrichment Program, Obstacle Course Race Fundraiser (Feb/Mar), Movie Night, Book Fair, Family Picnic and more!

Make sure to follow-us on [Instagram](#) and check out our [PTA Website](#) for more information. We welcome feedback! Please email us at dfptainfo@gmail.com