

Friday Folder

October 28, 2010

TIGER Program and Contribution Form

November's Character Word of the Month

Spelling Bee Information

Kids Voting Letter

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K – 3 Student Voter Registration Card

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4 – 5 Student Voter Registration Card

Parents as Teachers

**Make your Ellisville
donation dollars go
furtherLearn about
the TIGER Program!**



What is the TIGER Program?

The TIGER (**T**ogether **I**nvesting in **G**rowing **E**llisville's **R**esources) Program, is a direct donation campaign. It allows you greater control over your donation dollars! The TIGER Program is a great alternative to ensure that Ellisville Elementary receives 100% of your contributions; without the hassle of selling door-to-door or having to deliver products later!

Why make a direct donation?

By making a direct donation, 100% of your donated dollars go to your students and the programs that make Ellisville Elementary School the great place it is.

When can I make a TIGER Program donation to Ellisville Elementary?

You can make a **tax deductible** donation to Ellisville Elementary anytime through December 17th, 2010.

Is the donation tax deductible?

Yes, All contributions made to the TIGER Program are tax deductible. Your company may have a corporate-matching program that will double your contribution and allow them a tax benefit as well.

Who can participate/contribute to the TIGER Program?

Anyone can contribute (parents, grandparents, friends etc.) to the TIGER Program. If you work for a company that participates in *Corporate Match Program*, that is a great bonus!

How do I make my direct donation to the TIGER Program?

Send your check (payable to Ellisville PTO) to school in an envelope marked—
ATTN: Megan Seeling, TIGER Program

2010 - 2011 Personal Contribution Form



TIGER Program...

A Direct Donation Campaign

For many of our Ellisville Families, we know 3rd - party fundraisers are not your thing. Please consider making a contribution to your Ellisville Elementary PTO. 100% of your donation is tax-deductible and will go directly to benefit your students and Ellisville Elementary School. Simply fill out the information below and send in your donation through the school office: ATTN-Megan Seeling, PTO Treasurer. You will receive a tax letter for your records shortly thereafter.

Contributor Information*

Name	
Address	
City	
State Zip	
Phone	
e-mail	

*My contribution will be matched by _____ (Company/foundation name).

_____ Form attached _____ Form will be forwarded

*Please make checks, corporate matches and other contributions payable to: **Ellisville PTO.***

For questions regarding this program, please contact the PTO Fundraising/Grants Coordinator, Lisa Anderson:
getandersons@yahoo.com

Perseverance/Effort

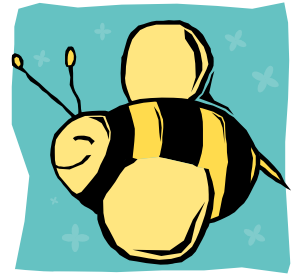
The character education word for the month of November is **Perseverance/Effort**. Perseverance is defined as striving toward a goal despite challenges. Please feel free to complete this homeside activity and turn in to your teacher by November 3rd.

Perseverance

Effort

Check the box if you are interested in reading your character quote on ETN.

Spelling Bee News



All fourth and fifth graders at Ellisville Elementary will have the opportunity to participate in a Classroom Spelling Bee in December. The winner and runner-up of each Classroom Bee will be participating in the Ellisville School-wide Bee in January, and the Ellisville champ will be participating in the regional semi-finals at Maryville University in early March. The format of the Classroom Bees and Ellisville Bee are modeled on the semi-final format: a written test—to be followed by an oral run-off, if needed.

There are several resources available, if your child wishes to prepare for the classroom bee.

1. Each child received a copy of the **Spelling Bee Study Guide** that was included in the October 19 St. Louis Post Dispatch. These were delivered to school and distributed by your child's classroom teacher.
2. Any student can log onto the **Scripps National Spelling Bee web site** and click on the link: Parents and Students. This will provide hints on how to study for the tests effectively. That web site is: www.spellingbee.com.
3. All 4th and 5th grade Ellisville students have access to the **St. Louis Post Dispatch e-post** which includes special spelling bee activities for every Sunday through January 30. The web address is:
saintlouispostdispatch.mo.newsmemory.com/nie.php.

The students will be asked to provide a username and password.

The username is **nfrei**, and the password is **ellisville**.

The spelling bee activities can be located within the Sunday edition by typing the word "bee" in the Quick Search box.

If you have any questions, please contact Nora Frein.
(freineleanor@rockwood.k12.mo.us)



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Dear Ellisville Families,

On November 1st and 2nd, your child will have the opportunity to participate in the Kids Voting Missouri program through Double Click Democracy. Kids Voting Missouri is an authentic voting experience to get students involved in the democratic process and prepare them to be active citizens.

Why vote in the mid-term election?

It teaches students that voting is an act of citizenship, a responsibility, and this responsibility occurs **EVEN** when there is no presidential race. In life, we vote for school board members, we vote for class officers, we vote for team leaders, etc. Throughout life, we will be asked to make a lot of decisions and we need to learn early about democracy, respect, responsibility, compromise, and majority rule.

What can families do to help prepare their child(ren) to vote on November 1st and 2nd?

Review the attached Kids Voting Ballot with your child and discuss the candidates and/or questions. Students can bring in their ballots with their selections made and refer to them when casting their vote on the computers. Voting will be confidential and will not be discussed in class.

Student Voter Registration Cards may be filled out at home and returned to school on Monday or Tuesday with the completed ballot. This is a good opportunity to verify that your child is proficient in their knowledge of their personal information.

Thank you for your support with this activity that supports our state and national standards for Constitutional instruction.

Sincerely,

Ellisville Elementary School



KIDS VOTING MISSOURI
GENERAL ELECTION 2010
NOVEMBER 2, 2010
ROCKWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT



Online Voting System

Rockwood's "Special" Kids Voting Ballot

Please make your selections for each section by clicking on the box next to your choice. If you would like to cancel a selection you've made, just click the box you selected to clear the vote. Once you are finished, click the "Confirm" button at the bottom of the page to continue.

What is your current grade level?

- K
- 1
- 2
- 3

Which of the following is your favorite national symbol? (Vote for 1)

-  United States Flag

-  The Bald Eagle







-  The Liberty Bell

-  The White House





-  The Statue of Liberty

Which of these is your favorite St. Louis landmark? (Vote for 1)

-  The Gateway Arch

-  Busch Stadium
-  The St. Louis Zoo
-  The Botanical Gardens
-  Forest Park
-  Grants Farm
-  St. Louis Science Center

Which is your favorite community helper? (Vote for 1)

-  A Policeman
-  A Fireman
-  A Letter Carrier
-  A Doctor
-



A Teacher



The School Nurse

Most neighborhoods have all of the following. Which is your favorite? (Vote for 1)

- School
- Park
- Playground
- Trees
- Flowers
- My house

Which is your favorite President of the United States? (Vote for 1)



George Washington



Thomas Jefferson



Abraham Lincoln



George W. Bush



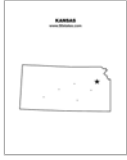
Barack Obama

Which of the following is your favorite state? (Vote for 1)



The State of Missouri

My nickname is the "Show Me State" and Jefferson City is my capital.



The State of Kansas

I am known as the "Sunflower State" and Topeka is my capital.



The State of Illinois

I am called the "Prairie State" and the "Land of Lincoln." The capital of my state is Springfield.



The State of Florida

I am known as the "Sunshine State" and Tallahassee is my capital.

Confirm

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KIDS VOTING MISSOURI
GENERAL ELECTION 2010
NOVEMBER 2, 2010
ROCKWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT



Online Voting System


Rockwood's OFFICIAL Kids Voting MO Ballot

Please make your selections for each section by clicking on the box next to your choice. If you would like to cancel a selection you've made, just click the box you selected to clear the vote. Once you are finished, click the "Confirm" button at the bottom of the page to continue.

What is your current grade level?

- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11
- 12

United States Senator-6 Year Term-Vote for 1

-  Robin Carnahan - *Democrat*
-  Roy Blunt - *Republican*
-  Jonathan Dine - *Libertarian*
-  Jerry Beck - *Constitution*

United States Representative-2 Year Term-Vote for the 1 in YOUR District

- 1st District: Lacy Clay (Democrat)

- 1st District: Robyn Hamlin (Republican)
- 1st District: Julie Stone (Libertarian)
- 2nd District: Arthur Lieber (Democrat)
- 2nd District: Todd Akin (Republican)
- 2nd District: Steve Mosbacher (Libertarian)
- 3rd District: Russ Carnahan (Democrat)
- 3rd District: Ed Martin (Republican)
- 3rd District: Steven R. Hedrick (Libertarian)
- 3rd District: Nicholas J. (Nick) Ivanovich (Constitution)

State Auditor-4 Year Term--Vote for 1

- Susan Montee - *(Democrat)*
- Tom Schweich - *(Republican)*
- Charles W. Baum - *Libertarian*

State Senate: 4 Year Term--Vote for the 1 in YOUR district

- State Senate District 22: Ryan McKenna (Democrat)
- State Senate District 22: Grett Zotta (Republican)
- State Senate District 26: George (Boots) Weber (Democrat)
- State Senate District 26: Brian Nieves (Republican)
- State Senate District 26: Richard E. Newton (Constitution)

State Representative--4 Year Term: Vote for the 1 in YOUR District

- State Representative District 79: Mary Nichols (Democrat)
- State Representative District 79: Dan Johnson (Republican)
- State Representative District 79: Willam R. Spaits (Constitution)
- State Representative District 82: Jill Schupp (Democrat)
- State Representative District 84: Don Gosen (Republican)
- State Representative District 86: Cole McNary (Republican)
- State Representative District 87: John J. Diehl Jr. (Republican)
- State Representative District 88: Andrew Koenig (Republican)
- State Representative District 89: Timothy W. Jones (Republican)
- State Representative District 92: Sue Allen (Republican)

- State Representative District 93: Dwight Scharnhorst (Republican)
- State Representative District 94: Deb Lavender (Democrat)
- State Representative District 94: Rick Stream (Republican)

St. Louis County Executive (4 Year Term) - Vote for 1

- Charlie A. Dooley - *Democrat*
- Bill Corrigan - *Republican*
- Theo (Ted) Brown, Sr. - *Libertarian*

St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney (4 Year Term) - Vote for 1

- Robert P. McCulloch - (*Democrat*)

St. Louis County Council--4 Year Term: Vote for the 1 in YOUR District

- District 3: Robert (Bob) Nelson (Democrat)
- District 3: Colleen M. Wasinger (Republican)
- District 7: Greg Quinn (Republican)

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO MISSOURI CONSTITUTION

Constitutional Amendment 1

- Yes** Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to require the office of county assessor to be an elected position in all counties with a charter form of government, except counties with a population between 600,001-699,999?
- No**

Constitutional Amendment 2

- Yes** Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to require that all real property used as a homestead by Missouri citizens who are former prisoners of war and have a total service-connected disability be exempt from property taxes?
- No**

Constitutional Amendment 3 [Proposed by Initiative Petition]

- Yes** Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to prevent the state, counties, and other political subdivisions from imposing any new tax, including a sales tax, on the sale or transfer of homes or any other real estate?
- No**

BALLOT PROPOSITIONS

Proposition A

Shall Missouri law be amended to:

- Yes** Repeal the authority of certain cities to use earnings taxes to fund their budgets; require voters in cities that currently have an earnings tax to approve continuation of such tax at the next general municipal election
- No**

Proposition B

Shall Missouri law be amended to:

- Yes** Require large-scale dog breeding operations to provide each dog under their care with sufficient food, clean water, housing and space; necessary veterinary care; regular exercise and adequate rest between
- No**

and at an election held every 5 years thereafter; require any current earnings tax that is not approved by the voters to be phased out over a period of 10 years; and prohibit any city from adding a new earnings tax to fund their budget?

breeding cycles; prohibit any breeder from having more than 50 breeding dogs for the purpose of selling their puppies as pets; and create a misdemeanor crime of "puppy mill cruelty" for any violations?

Missouri Supreme Court-Retention of Judges

- Yes** Missouri Supreme Court
Shall Judge Zel Fischer of the
- No** Missouri Supreme Court be retained
in office?

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Rockwood
Parents As Teachers
Fundraiser November 5, 6, and 7, 2010
Story time at Toy Tyme



Rockwood Parents As Teachers and Toy Tyme invite you to shop at Toy Tyme and enjoy a free interactive story time for you and your child. Parent Educators from Rockwood PAT will bring stories to life for your child.

Get an early start on your holiday shopping and help raise money for Parents as Teachers by making a purchase at Toy Tyme any time during store hours on **November 5th, 6th, or 7th**. Simply tell the sales person that you would like for PAT to receive a 20% donation for your purchase.

When are the **story times**?

Friday, November 5th at 5:00 P.M.

Saturday, November 6th at 11:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M.

Sunday, November 7th the fundraiser continues, but without a story time.

Where are the story times?

Toy Tyme at Chesterfield Valley 636-532-9696

Toy Tyme at Chesterfield Mall 636-733-0088

Toy Tyme at West County Center 314-965-0086