

# Inverness Elementary School

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Newsletter

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## *From the Principal's Desk*



### **Getting Involved at Inverness Elementary**

Parents who are involved in school activities and events gain a better understanding of the school, the lessons taught, our policies and procedures, and the day-to-day work we do to serve our students and our families. Let me remind you that you are **WELCOME** to take an active role in helping us educate your children/our students daily!

### **Parent Conferences**

It is the 2nd nine weeks, a critical point in the academic school year. By now, you have received your child's progress report detailing where he/she stands going into 2<sup>nd</sup> nine weeks benchmark assessment. Parents, I challenge you to set up conferences with teachers. Parent conferences are one of the most impactful activities that support our children, parents, and staff in assisting our students to become confident, competent learners. Thank you in advance for making the time to meet with your child's teacher and for the things you, too, do to help set your child up for success at school and beyond. Everyone here at Inverness Elementary is willing to support you any time you have questions or concerns about your child and their learning outcomes and needs.

### **Thanksgiving Wishes**

Of all the holidays, Thanksgiving has always been my favorite. It is a holiday that does not require buying things (except a lot of food!) and brings families and friends together to enjoy a meal, perhaps football, perhaps a family walk, and fond memories that last. You make my role as the principal a joy through your commitment to your children and to our school community. I wish you a blessed holiday, gathered with those who mean the most to you.

Mrs. Brenda Singleton,  
Principal

## *Upcoming Events*

*11/2-PTA Meeting @ 5:30p.m.*

*11/6-Basketball Game @ Indianola 5:30p.m.*

*11/8-Basketball Game @ Greenwood 5:30p.m.*

*11/9-Veterans Program @ 2:30p.m.*

*11/9-Progress Reports*

*11/13- Basketball Game @ Merritt 5:30p.m.*

*11/15-Thanksgiving Dinner @ 11:00a.m.-1:30p.m.*

*11/16-Basketball Game @ Indianola 5:30p.m.*

*11/20-24-Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)*

*11/27-Basketball Game @ Drew 5:30p.m.*

*11/29-Basketball Game @ Indianola 5:30p.m.*

*11/30-Third Grade Workshop @ 5:00p.m.*

*11/30-Basketball Game @ Indianola 5:30p.m.*

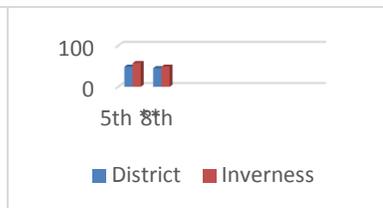
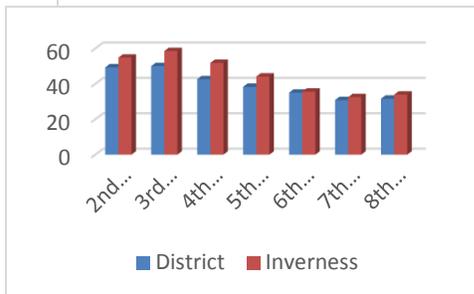
## *Reading Fair Winners*



## Academic Coach's Corner

1<sup>st</sup> Benchmark ELA Comparison Results

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When comparing IES' 1<sup>st</sup> Benchmark Data it is evident that the teachers in collaboration with the administration and Academic Coach are aiming to reach the 85% growth rate as set for the by the SCCSD. The students at IES are working diligently to move the educational gauge in some instances excelling beyond. Teachers have endured countless professional development sessions to incorporate rigor in their lesson plans and in their classrooms, utilize the EE teachers for the various approaches to co-teaching, and evaluate their mindsets when it comes to student achievement. The results are indicative of IES' slogan for the 2017-2018 school year – One Town, One School, One Family.

## Parent Liaison's Corner

### Tips for Parents

- Make sure he or she arrives to school on time.
- Help with homework
- Establish a relationship with your child's teacher and school supervisor.
- Most importantly, provide a loving, supportive and safe environment at home that fosters healthy communication and study habits.

### McKinney Vento Act

An act that provides urgently needed assistance to protect and improve the lives and safety of the homeless, with special emphasis on elderly persons, handicapped persons, and families with children.

My days of operation are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 7:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

My email address is [bgilmore@sunflower.k12.ms.us](mailto:bgilmore@sunflower.k12.ms.us)

Please stop by the Parent Center, Room 3 to check out resource materials and find out how to you can win Hawk Bucks



## Counselor's Corner

November: A Time to Give Thanks **Grat·i·tude**: (noun) a feeling of appreciation or thanks. (**CHARACTER WORD OF THE MONTH**) Why is teaching and modeling gratitude so important? Being able to recognize and appreciate the good things in your life can lead to increased happiness and life satisfaction. For children especially, learning how to be thankful can help in the development of interpersonal skills, including the 'big' one - empathy.