

August 21, 2020 *Community Newsletter - Edition XXII*

# ***'The ROAR'***

***Every Monarch, Every Day***



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## **Events - Save The Date**

- August 24th = Student Ice Cream Sales Begin In The Cafeteria
- August 24th = Student Digital Daily Announcements Begin
- August 27th = Student Safety Drill
- August 28th = 2nd Celebratory Student Hall March



## ***A Letter From The Editor: Let's Take A Leap Together!***

**Dear Monarch Friends and Families:**

There's an old riddle circulating around that says five frogs are sitting on a lily pad. One decides to jump off. How many are left?

If your answer is "four", thank your math teacher for your excellent math skills. Unfortunately, this is not a test of your math abilities.

It's a life problem.

The correct answer is "five". Yes, all five are still sitting there on the lily pad. The one frog only decided to jump but hasn't followed through yet.

Life is not a spectator sport; it's indeed a contact sport. There are no practice sessions, and you've been in the game from day one.

As cliché as it seems 'The journey starts with a single step' — not by thinking about taking that step.

This is my way of saying, "Thank you for taking that first step with Poolville Elementary School!"

Together, we have taken a huge step forward in the future of your child's life. It is my hope that this weekly newsletter does these steps...and your children....justice.

At Poolville Elementary School, we are PROUD to work hard for you as well as with you! We are all **"Mighty Monarchs"!** ***We are all.....one herd....one pride.....one group.....one TEAM....and one FAMILY!***

**Together we can change the WORLD for our CHILDREN.**

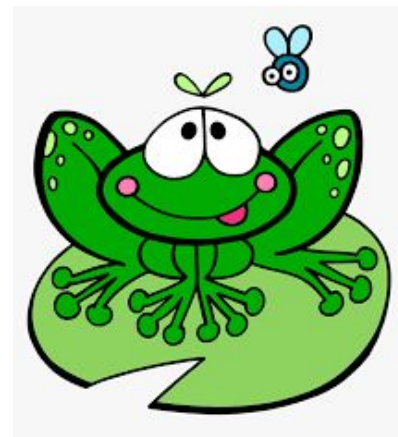
At Poolville, **you and your children MATTER!**

**You are our FAMILY!**

**We can't wait to take the next STEP!**

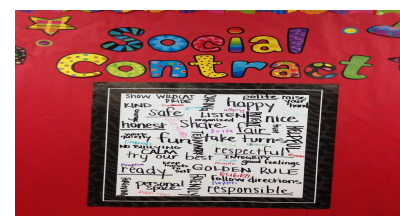
Enthusiastically,

Jason Cheslock



## ***We Created And Signed Social Contracts ....***

A Social Contract is an agreement between teacher and students about the values, rules and consequences for classroom behavior. It's purpose is establishing rules and consequences based on guiding principles or values that will guide students in their activities and interactions together.



### ***We Cooperatively Formulated And Shared Our Vision, Mission and Values For 2020-2021....***

A vision statement, or simply a vision, is a public declaration that schools or other educational organizations use to describe their high-level goals for the future—what they hope to achieve if they successfully fulfill their organizational purpose or mission.

**Our Vision** – Poolville ISD is committed to achieving excellence for every child, every day, every opportunity.

**Our Mission** – Our mission is student achievement, preparing all students to become responsible, successful contributors to our community, state, and country.

**Our Values** – Achievement, respect, integrity and responsibility form the foundation of our strong partnership among students, parents, community, and staff, united by a passion for learning.

### ***We Launched Digital Video Announcements....***

To showcase our amazing students and our national pride, we will be launching daily digital announcements.

That's right! Our superstar students will be featured in these segments. Five students will be selected each day to deliver the digital greatness to our campus.

To ensure you can participate with us, I will also post our work products each day on Facebook. Here is what the students will cover.....

- The American Pledge
- The Texas Pledge
- A Patriotic Word of the Day
- The Date, and
- The Thought For The Day

Please make sure to view your child's announcements on Facebook beginning Monday, August 24th.

### ***We Continued The March....Hall March That Is....***

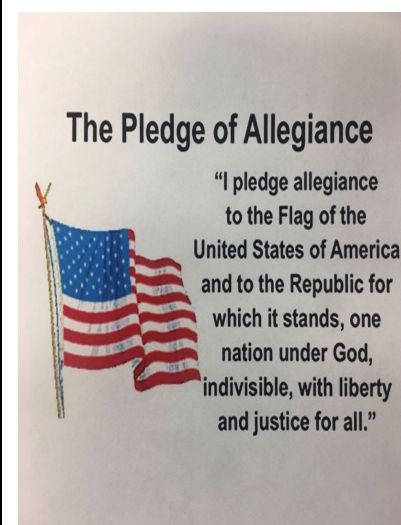
Long-term, transformational change can only transpire through CELEBRATION!

Specifically, we must frequently celebrate what we want to replicate. We began our journey of positively changing student lives together in January of 2020. One of the many ways we executed our charge was with Friday afternoon student hall marches. We used these fun moments of celebratory madness to feature:

- Honor Roll Students
- Attendance Accolades
- UIL Academic Event Successes
- Athletic Accomplishments, and
- Students, Classes and/or Grade Levels of the Week Honors

In light of COVID constraints, our traditional hall marches require a few social distancing adjustments. However, this does not mean they should stop. Instead, we must work together and identify new ways to celebrate what we want to replicate.

This week our wonderful students returned to us full of joy, energy and excitement. Our instructional



family has done an amazing job channeling their enthusiasm into meaningful moments of investigation, discovery, and learning!

As such, we will celebrate 100% of the student body on Friday. Here is how it will work. All teachers and students will remain in their rooms until their respective march out time begins. Grade levels will individually dismiss to music blasting and central office applause. Grade levels will dismiss to their normal dismissal locations.

The Friday afternoon schedule will be:

Pre-k @ 3:15 PM  
Kindergarten @ 3:18 PM  
1st Grade @ 3:21 PM  
2nd Grade @ 3:24 PM  
3rd Grade @ 3:27 PM, and  
4th and 5th Grade @ 3:30 PM

The music and clapping dismissal will be recorded and shared with our amazing parents.

All students will be available for pickup and departure at their *normal times*.

### ***We Connected With A Parent / Teacher / Student / Administrator Compact...***

Poolville Elementary School needs the entire school community (parents/guardians, students, teachers and administrators) working together to create a positive and safe learning environment to ensure a successful future for all students. We present this compact as a part of our plan to help students do their best in school. Thank you for your commitment to our partnership.

#### **Parent/Guardian Agreement -**

I will encourage my student by doing the following:

- See that my child has breakfast, is well rested, punctual and attends school regularly.
- Support the school in its efforts to maintain proper discipline.
- Establish a time for homework and review it regularly.
- Communicate with teachers and monitor my child's progress.
- Encourage my child's efforts and be a partner in my child's learning.

#### **Student Agreement -**

I agree to the following:

- Regularly come to school on time with the supplies and assignments required for learning.
- Actively participate in class.
- Make good behavior choices while at school.
- Respect and cooperate with teachers, staff and peers.

#### **Teacher Agreement -**

I agree to do the following:

- Provide engaging learning activities that challenge and motivate my students.
- Encourage students and parents by providing information about student progress.
- Provide a safe environment for learning.

#### **Principal Agreement -**

I agree to the following:

- Provide an environment that allows for positive communication.
- Set high expectations for all.



- Provide opportunities for the involvement of all educational stakeholders.

***We Launched A Campus Wide Text Messaging Solution For Parents And Community Members....***

Would you like to receive text updates about various events transpiring at the elementary school?  
If you answered yes, please:

Text the message @pesnews to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @pesnews to (541) 612-3008.

These steps will enroll you in Poolville Elementary School's Parent Messaging System.

We are excited to begin the greatest year of your Monarch's educational career!



Please continue to visit us on Facebook. At Poolville Elementary School,  
***YOU and YOUR CHILD MATTER!***