



Happy Thanksgiving!

We are all so thankful for the community we share here at Eastridge. Thank you to our families for their continued support.

Fifth Grade Group Participates in Nebraska 5th/6th Grade Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl

A group of ten fifth graders participated in the Nebraska Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl on Thursday, November 9. This is the first time Eastridge has participated and our team placed a very impressive fourth with a score of 1044. Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl is similar to Trivial Pursuit with questions on a variety of subject matter. Members of the team were Arianna Molzen, Emily Richerson, Kate Richerson, Robin Rauner, Paige Bradley, Anna Plettner-Nelson, Emma Peters, Taryn Potter, Sam Cejda and Sam Bayer. Once again, our Eastridge students make us proud.

Eastridge Teachers Honored

Congratulations to Mary Logsdon who was selected as the Teacher of the Month by the Lincoln East Rotary Club! Mrs. Logsdon will be honored at a Rotary luncheon on December 5th! Way to go, Mrs. Logsdon!

Congratulations also to Kim Young! Mrs. Young was selected for the A+ Educator Award in the Lincoln Journal Star! Kudos to Mrs. Young for this honor!

Veterans Appreciated!

Eastridge 5th Grade students thanked Veterans by making a poster entitled, "Our Veterans Deserve a Hand." Students made the stripes on the American flag by cutting out red and white handprints. Each child wrote a thank you on one of the handprints. The poster was presented to Veterans at Eastmont Towers where it is currently on display. Some of the messages students wrote are listed below:

"I am grateful you served our country. Thank you."

"Dear Veteran, My class says the pledge every day. I think of you every time I say it and I'm very grateful."

"I am very appreciative of all that you did while serving in the war."

"I appreciate everything that you guys do for our country. I think that veterans really know what it means to "Serve our Country." Have a great Veteran's Day. Thank you."

"I appreciated that you protected our country."

"Dear Veteran, We appreciate your braveness. We all love you. God bless."

"I am very thankful you served our country. You are very brave and appreciated."

Thank you so much for serving in a war. If you had children I know how they feel about having a parent at risk because my mom is in Iraq and I'm afraid she'll die. Thank you."



UNL Women's Basketball

The 5th grade students will be visited by members of the UNL Women's basketball team on November 28th. The visit will be video taped by UNL and will be broadcast on the Husker Vision screen during the game on the 30th. All Eastridge students will receive tickets to the game.

HOLIDAY NEWS

Giving Tree

Please stop by our Giving Tree in the main hallway and select a gift to purchase for an Eastridge student.



We will hold a Holiday Dinner again on December 20th

Mark Your Calendars! (See <http://eastridge.lps.org/> for more calendar information)

November

- 17 Bubba's Closet – Everett Elementary
- 21 Teacher Plan Day, Elementary students not in session
- 22-23 No School, Happy Thanksgiving
- 27 2:18 Dismissal for PLC

December

- 5 1:40 Illusion Theater
- 11 7:00 PM, Band, Strings, Orchestra Concert
- 24 – January 2 No School

No newsletter next week.

Eye on the staff:

Hi, my name is Rhonda Perkins and I am student teaching in Mrs. Wallingford's 1st grade classroom. I will be graduating from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in December 2007 with my degree in Early Inclusive Childhood Education (teacher of ages birth to age 8). After graduation I will be starting my practicum and internship at Children's Hospital in Omaha to become a Child Life Specialist. A Child Life Specialist works with hospitalized children to help with understanding and coping with their illnesses, and possibly tutoring them so they don't fall behind in school.

I was born and raised in Lincoln. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I am excited and thankful for all of my experiences here at Eastridge. It has been an amazing and wonderful experience working with the teachers, students and parents at Eastridge.

BUBBA'S CLOSET

The annual Bubba's Closet clothing exchange will be held 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. **this Saturday, November 17**, at Everett Elementary School, 1123 C Street. Any elementary student, accompanied by an adult, may come that morning to choose free items of clothing. The event, which is sponsored by Lincoln Public Schools elementary school principals, offers warm clothing to grade school children.

Harvest of Harmony books were distributed today to first and second grade students. Each student was allowed to choose two books.

"The Harvest of Books is a project of the Lincoln Education Association and the Lincoln Journal Star, designed to instill a lifelong love of reading by giving beginning readers a new book of their own. The kids who got books the first time, when they were 6, are now juniors in high school."

Excerpt from the Lincoln Journal Star