

## [Weekly Message from the Principal](#)

Happy Friday!

In this season of giving, we want our students to learn the value of thinking outside of their own needs to help another. The Scholar Trait of Give Back illustrates this lesson very well. Read more about this Scholar Trait at this [link](#). Nobody gives back to Parkside more than our wonderful volunteers!

Volunteers would be greatly appreciated this month for a couple of events.

The next events scheduled are the annual Parkside Teacher Tailgate on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, and the Thanksgiving Lunch on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

The links below lead to sign ups for donating food for the Teacher Tailgate, covering lunch duty for teachers or volunteering time for the Thanksgiving Lunch.

Teacher Tailgate: <http://parkside.my-pta.org/Content.asp?PageID=2>

Thanksgiving Lunch: <http://parkside.my-pta.org/Content.asp?PageID=2>

Thank you in advance for the time and the donations you give back to Parkside!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Ms. Waltmon

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## [Math Night](#)

On Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:15-6:30 p.m. Parkside will host Math Night. This will be an opportunity for families to come and learn games students can play at home to work on fact fluency and math skills. This is a free event, and all materials will be provided. We hope you and your students can come enjoy the fun and learn through playing games!

## Turkey Trot Schedule, Volunteers and Shirts

Our 6<sup>th</sup> annual Turkey Trot, The Tough Trotter, is an obstacle/adventure race that all students will participate in during PE classes on November 17. Parents are welcome to run the course with their students, but please no strollers. The race will contain obstacles and will vary in distance for each grade level. Here is the schedule for race times:

7:55-8:45 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

8:50-9:40 5<sup>th</sup> grade

9:45-10:35 4<sup>th</sup> grade

10:40-11:30 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

12:50-1:40 1<sup>st</sup> grade

1:50-2:40 Kinder

Volunteers will be needed to help mark laps and keep the obstacles safe for our kids. If you can volunteer please sign up at

<http://parkside.my-pta.org/Content.asp?PageID=2>

Turkey trot shirts are here and selling fast! Students can pick up Turkey Trot shirts when they come to PE or parents can pick up during our conference time 12:00 to 12:40 p.m. or after school. All shirts are \$10 each and can be paid with cash or check. If you pre-ordered a shirt, please pick it up by **Monday November 13**. All remaining shirts after this date will be sold on a first come first served basis.

## Stiles MS Band Chicken Run 5K

Attention Mustang Runners! Stiles MS Band is having a Chicken Run 5k! We would love to have a Parkside team to represent! When you register, you can join an existing team and select Parkside Mustangs. Students, parents, staff and family members can all be on the Parkside team.

The 3rd Annual Chicken Run 5K and Fun-Run, sponsored by Rouse High School, benefiting the Stiles Middle School Band, will be the primary and biggest fundraiser for the entire band program. The funds will help with new instruments, travel expenses to contests and performances, band supplies, new sheet music, and all else that goes into maintaining a high-level organization. All net proceeds come directly back to the Stiles band program.

Click here for more info! <https://stilesmsband.org/chickenrun/>

## Thanksgiving Lunch RSVP Information

Thanksgiving lunch RSVP – **\*NEW PROCEDURE\***

We are excited to have our families join us for the Thanksgiving lunch on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

In order for us to get everyone signed in more efficiently, please RSVP with the following Google Form before Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at noon. <https://goo.gl/forms/bTk99hnPzxpSytFg2>

If you fill out this RSVP form, we will have a visitor badge pre-printed for you and ready for pick up through the designated line for RSVP's. Please bring your driver's license to pick up your visitor badge.

You MUST have previously had your driver's license scanned into the computer system at Parkside in order to get a pre-printed badge. If you have not had your driver's license scanned at Parkside, you can visit the school any time before Tuesday, 11/14 to have it scanned.

If you have any questions about this process, please email Sue at [sue.neidecker@leanderisd.org](mailto:sue.neidecker@leanderisd.org).

Anyone who does not RSVP or has not had their driver's license scanned will be required to check in using their driver's license through the normal procedures in the front office.

This is a very busy day, and we will have a lot of visitors. Please allow extra time for parking and getting signed into school.

Lunch start times are as follows:

Kinder: 10:20

1<sup>st</sup>: 10:55

2<sup>nd</sup>: 11:30

3<sup>rd</sup>: 11:50

4<sup>th</sup>: 12:05

5<sup>th</sup>: 12:50

## [Upcoming Dates for your Calendar](#)

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| 11/13       | Math Night 5:15-6:30 p.m.                  |
|             | PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.                      |
| 11/15       | Thanksgiving Lunch                         |
| 11/17       | Tough Trotter during specials times        |
|             | Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast 12:30 p.m. |
| 11/20-11/24 | Thanksgiving Break                         |