

Lamar Elementary PTO

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DISD Staff & Students Rally in Austin

A dedicated coalition of Denison teachers and school supporters joined thousands of fellow educators and families at the Capitol in Austin last Saturday to lobby lawmakers to support Texas school children with fair, equitable and adequate funding. The statewide rally was sponsored by Save Texas Schools and other advocacy groups, and supported locally by the Denison Classrooms Teachers Association. Dismayed at Texas's dismal 49th national ranking in per pupil spending,

the group carried placards, posters and banners urging representatives and senators to make Texas children a priority when drafting the state budget.



Learn how you can help by visiting <http://savetxschools.org/>

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Encourage active listening:

Listen to your child's ideas and respond. This type of give-and-take at home is likely to help your child participate and be interested at school.

Garden Schooling



Sometimes it may be difficult to find ways to engage our kids in learning activities outside of school. However, there are lots of everyday tasks that can bring the family closer while teaching important lessons. In this article written by Clyde Majerus, he explains how you might be surprised by how much can be learned with a simple vegetable garden! We'll share excerpts with you throughout the school year as we approach summer, and also at our blog: LamarPTO.wordpress.com Be sure to sign up for updates while you are there!

Hard Work Equals Value By Clyde Majerus

Getting your children involved in the garden will help them learn the value of working and of doing it together. Have them help you select future groceries from a mail-order catalog or at the seed store. Get them involved as you prepare the garden bed, plant the seeds, fertilize and mulch, and do the weeding and watering. Teach them to use tools: rake, shovel, string line and compass, plus the fun tools – the garden hose and sprinkler.

As the fruit comes on, they can assist with harvesting and preparing for the dinner table. Let them help while you can veggies or freeze them for storage until the winter months. No doubt your children will learn how to work as they observe your diligence. And it won't be long until they have a much better understanding of what it takes to keep a family fed! Learning to work as a team will also be part of the program. But don't worry it won't be all work, work, work – there is nothing like a good family 'hose-em down water fight while in the garden on a hot summer day!


Online Resources



PTO ON THE WEB
[HTTP://LAMARPTO.WEBBLY.COM](http://LAMARPTO.WEBBLY.COM)

“Children will not remember you for the material things you provided, but for the feeling that you cherished them.”

Richard Evans



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Upcoming Events

Summer is almost here! It's time to start making plans for our end of school

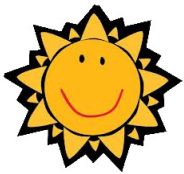
KIDS DAY
CELEBRATION

If you can give some of your time to help, please let us know. We want to make this event a fun-filled day for our kids.

THANKS!

STAAR Testing In April

- April 2: 4th Grade Writing and 5th Grade Math
- April 3: 4th Grade Writing and 5th Grade Reading
- April 23: 3rd & 4th Grade Math
- April 24: 3rd & 4th Reading and 5th Grade Science



Daylight Saving
 Time Begins
 March 10th



Don't Forget to
SPRING
FORWARD!

March Calendar

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri |
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- 11th – 15th: Spring Break
- 17th: St. Patrick's Day
- 20th: First Day of Spring
- 26th: School Board Meeting 6:30 PM
- 29th: Bad Weather Makeup Day