



## ***"TEAMING UP FOR SUCCESS...IN THE GAME FOR KIDS"***

Dear Y.E.S. Parents,

October 2, 2009

Congratulations Yorktown Elementary School students, parents, and staff for the successful completion of our first six weeks of school. Y.E.S. is proud of our students' accomplishments. Parents, you are invited and encouraged to schedule a conference with your child's teacher if you have questions or concerns regarding your child's first six week's report card which will be sent home on Wednesday, October 7. You may call the school office to schedule an appointment.

Many thanks to all of you for your help with this year's Y.E.S. fundraiser. Our students' orders totaled almost \$17,700.00 with Y.E.S. receiving 40%-50% as profit after sales tax is deducted. This money will be used for general school supplies, playground equipment, various student and staff incentives, and to fund our Y.E.S. field trips. Thank you for your wonderful support! Special thanks go to Charlyn Speed, Joyce Godby, Billie Blaschke, and Lois Strieber who helped proofread and total the orders. A notice will be sent home when the fundraiser shipment arrives.

In recognition of Yorktown's Western Days, all Y.E.S. students and staff are encouraged to "***dress western***" on Friday, October 16, 2009. Also on this day YISD students will have an early dismissal. Dismissal times are: PK-12:15; K-12:20; 1<sup>st</sup>-12:25, and 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades-12:30. Please make the necessary transportation arrangements for your child on this day.

On Friday, October 23, **all** Y.E.S. students will go to Yorktown High School's "Homecoming" pep rally to be held beginning at 3:00 p.m., therefore **all** students will be dismissed at the end of the pep rally at approximately 3:30 p.m. There will be no dismissal 1 on this date.

Friday, October 30, all students and staff are invited and encouraged to participate in our Y.E.S. "***fun dress day***". *Scary, violent costumes are prohibited.*

All students being dismissed from a Y.E.S. activity such as UIL practices and after school tutorials must be picked up at the west end of our campus which is the Highway 119 bus end. Parents are reminded to keep the bus lane open on Tuesday and Thursday during the 1<sup>st</sup> semester for our after school tutorial bus riders. Students who stay for after school detentions must be picked up from the detention classroom promptly at 4:00 p.m. by an adult.

Yorktown ISD is excited to inform you of the following dates and topics of our upcoming parent training sessions presented by Region 3 consultants. All sessions, with the exception of the May 3 training, will be held at the auditorium. The May 3 session will be held at the cafeteria in conjunction with the Y.E.S. 2<sup>nd</sup> semester ABC meeting. Y.E.S. encourages all

parents to take advantage of these wonderful training opportunities being held here in Yorktown.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic/Presenter/Site</b>
October 12, 2009	<b>Cyberbullying</b> , Audience: PK-12 <sup>th</sup> grade parents
November 9, 2009	<b>Behavior Strategies – Setting Limits</b> , Audience: PK-12 <sup>th</sup> grade parents
December 14, 2009	<b>ADHD</b> , Audience: PK-12 <sup>th</sup> grade parents
January 11, 2010	<b>Getting Your Child Ready for TAKS</b> , Audience: 3 <sup>rd</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade parents
February 8, 2010	<b>Academic Supports for your High School Child</b> , Audience: 9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> grade parents
March 8, 2010	<b>Math and Science Strategies</b> , Audience: PK-12 <sup>th</sup> grade parents
May 3, 2010	<b>Cool Summer Fun</b> , Audience: PK-5 <sup>th</sup> grade parents, Cafeteria

### **Y.E.S. Calendar Date Change**

Due to the ADHD parent training session scheduled for Monday, December 14, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Graduation date has been changed to Monday, November 30 at 6:00 p.m.

Attached to this newsletter:

- a flyer announcing Region III Education Service Center’s annual Parental Involvement Conference to be held on Thursday, October 22 at the Victoria Community Center, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The conference will highlight parent/child and parent/school partnerships. Y.E.S. encourages our parents to attend this special event. Please call the school office (564-2252, extension 4) asap if you are interested in attending this conference; registration fee and transportation will be provided.
- a listing of Fall, 2009 **YORKTOWN ISD PARENT TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**
- **Volunteer Information Form** encouraging our parents to help expand our Y.E.S. volunteer program

Y.E.S. would like to express our sincere appreciation to the following individuals who are serving as members of the 2009-2010 Yorktown Elementary School Site-Base Decision Making (SBDM) Committee. This committee is an advisory group for our school and is currently in the process of updating our Y.E.S. Campus Improvement Plan. New member training for this group is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, at 4:00 p.m. in the junior high library. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 21, beginning at 4:00, at the Y.E.S. Library.

**YORKTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
SITE-BASE DECISION MAKING COMMITTEE  
2009-2010**

Patty Strieber, Principal

**2 Year Term expires October, 2011**

Janet Stock, Community Member  
Tara Hughes, Parent  
LaNell Hay, Instructional Aide  
Nickie Mikeska, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher  
Stacy Torres, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher  
Christine Blaschke, YISD School Nurse, District Professional Representative  
Irma Garcia, Business Representative  
Linda Hurta, Community Member

**2 Year Term expires, October, 2010**

Mendy Campbell, Business Representative  
Gina Allman, Parent  
Norma Schendel, Special Education Teacher  
Ashleigh Davis, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Dina Menn, School Counselor, Campus Professional Staff Member  
Patti Harbers, PK Teacher

**Dad's Breakfast:** All Y.E.S. Dads are invited to have breakfast with your sons/daughters on Friday, October 9. Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria from 7:30-7:45 at a cost of \$1.25 per adult, student regular-\$.80, and student reduced-\$.30. At 7:45 Y.E.S. Dads may escort their sons/daughters to the classrooms for a mini Open House to be held in each of the Y.E.S. homeroom classes with our regular school day schedule to resume at 8:15 a.m. If a Y.E.S. Dad is unable to attend, the students are welcome to "adopt" a Dad for the breakfast. The breakfast reservation form at the bottom of this page needs to be returned by Wednesday, October 7, with the money, so the cafeteria staff can make the necessary arrangements. Dads are welcome to arrive at 7:45 just for the classroom visit if they wish. Help make this a special day by joining your sons/daughters for our Dad's Day Celebration! ***Parents please pass the following information on to Dads: parking for this special event will be available in the vacant lot next to the YHS science building, directly in front of the cafeteria, or in any parking spot labeled "Visitor". Please do not park in any numbered spot or spots labeled "Faculty", as these are reserved for YISD staff members.***

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Please return this portion by Wednesday, October 7 to the classroom teacher.

\_\_\_\_\_ has a Dad(s) who will be having breakfast on October 9.  
(Student and Teacher Name)

Number of Adult(s)- \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Student(s)- \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed-\$ \_\_\_\_\_

### "TEAM Y.E.S." CALENDAR DATES

- 10/2 End of 1<sup>st</sup> Six Weeks
- 10/5 Begin 2<sup>nd</sup> Six Weeks  
Rtl Tier I Supplemental parent letters sent home
- 10/6 TAKS-M Field Tests  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/7 TAKS-M Field Tests  
5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Day  
1<sup>st</sup> six weeks 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade Accelerated Reader Pizza Party  
Report cards go home
- 10/8 Happy Birthday Annabel Penal  
TAKS-M Field Tests  
Y.E.S. Club 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade lunch and recess at the pavilion  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/9 Dad's Breakfast  
PK & K grade field trip to Victoria  
1<sup>st</sup> six weeks Good Citizenship Recess
- 10/11 Punt, Pass, & Kick, 3:00 p.m., Wildcat Stadium
- 10/12 Happy Birthday Elsa Ochoa and Lori Potcinske!  
5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Day  
Rtl Tier I Supplemental parent meetings held week of 10/12  
**Cyberbullying Parent Training Session, 6:00 p.m., Audience: PK-12<sup>th</sup> grade parents, Auditorium**
- 10/13 UIL Round 1 Elimination  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/14 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Seguin  
SBDM new member training, 4:00 p.m., YJHS Library
- 10/15 Happy Birthday Michelle Giles!  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/16 "Dress Western" Day  
Early Release Day
- 10/19 School Holiday;
- 10/20 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/21 Y.E.S. SBDM committee meeting, 4:00 p.m., Y.E.S. Library
- 10/22 Region 3 Parental Involvement Conference  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/23 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Day  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade field trip to Moulton  
Y.E.S. students attend "Homecoming" pep rally, 3:00 p.m.
- 10/26 Red Ribbon Week begins; Red Ribbon Rally at 8:45 a.m.  
YISD School Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m., YJHS Library
- 10/27 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
- 10/28 Happy Birthday Nickie Mikeska and Kristin Schustereit!  
2<sup>nd</sup> six weeks progress reports mailed and notices sent home  
School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) meeting, 3:45 p.m. YHS Library
- 10/29 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial  
Y.E.S. SBDM committee meeting, 4:00 p.m., Y.E.S. Library
- 10/30 Happy Birthday Sandi Mahan!

- “Fun Dress Day”
- 11/2 Y.E.S. Book Fair begins
  - 11/3 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
  - 11/4 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Day
  - 11/5 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
  - 11/9 Y.E.S. UIL teams announced
- Behavior Strategies—Setting Limits Parent Training Session, 6:00 p.m.,**  
Audience: PK-12<sup>th</sup> grade parents, Auditorium
- 11/10 Grades 3-5 TAKS Writing Benchmark  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial
  - 11/11 YISD Veteran’s Day Program
  - 11/12 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Day  
1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade after school tutorial  
GT Parent Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Y.E.S. Library
  - 11/13 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> six weeks  
4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Goliad
  - 11/16 Begin 3<sup>rd</sup> six weeks  
5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE Day  
Dyslexia Parent Night, 6:00 p.m., Y.E.S. Library  
YISD School Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m., YJHS Library

**“Team Y.E.S.” Comments always welcome:**

Parents, please use this section to communicate your points of view, suggestions, compliments, or concerns. You may send it back to school with your child to be sent the office.

**To: Patty Strieber**  
**From:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Here is my concern:**  
 **Concern:** \_\_\_\_\_     
 **Question:** \_\_\_\_\_     
 **Compliment:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Would you get back to me?**  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Sincerely,

Patty Strieber