

# ACES Weekly Update: December 4-8, 2017

Good Evening ACES Tigers! This is Dr. Reasoner calling with our weekly update. We hope everyone enjoyed a fantastic weekend!

One of the very best gifts you can give your child is not a present but your presence. Quality time spent reading a book together or listening to your child read to you is truly a precious gift. It does not cost anything and helps foster love and positive relationships between parent and child. All it takes is just 20 minutes!

Thank you to our families, vendors, and PTA volunteers who came out last Friday evening to support our Holiday Shop. It was well attended and many of our students enjoyed shopping for their families and having their picture taken.

As a reminder, our school is a “drop-off” site for the Amelia Christmas Mother/Father program. We have collection bins in our front lobby for items if you would like to participate. Thank you for your continued support of both our ACES angel tree and the Amelia Christmas Mother/Father program. The deadline to turn in presents for Amelia Christmas Mother/Father program is Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Many of our families are also supporting our school’s angel tree. Thank you for your generosity! Angel tree bags are due back to school by Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> if at all possible. Thank you again!

Here is our week at a glance:

**Monday (12/4):** All week we will celebrate Inclusive Schools Week! Our Holiday Shop will also be open all week.

**Tuesday (12/5):** Many of our classes will participate in Hour of Code, a state-wide initiative to support computer coding. Poore/ Boan/ Cary/ Thomas classes will take the Reading SOL benchmark assessment.

**Wednesday (12/6):** Colston/ Gray/ Oliver/ Geraghty classes will take the Reading SOL benchmark assessment.

**Thursday (12/7):** Lyons/ Cook/ Furr/ Gundry/ Gibbs classes will take the Reading SOL benchmark assessment. Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will sing and perform a patriotic program to honor Amelia County military veterans and personnel. All students will attend one of two performances. Our Kindergarten, Multiage, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students will attend at 1:30 P.M. 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will attend at 2:15 P.M. Afterschool GT enrichment will be held from 3:30- 5:00 P.M. Mario's Spirit Night for our school's reading program will be held from 5:00-8:00 P.M. Mario's will donate a portion of the profits to our summer reading program, which will help pay for our ice cream truck visits and other special programs.

**Friday (12/8):** Snider/ Cardona/ Fracker/ Pollock classes will take the Reading SOL benchmark assessment. Multiage classes will attend a field trip to Swift Creek Mill Theater. Angel tree gifts are due to the main office.

Looking ahead to Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>: The December school board meeting will be held at the ACHS auditorium beginning at 1:30 P.M. We will be recognizing many students for their reading growth, their AR accomplishments, and for being a member of our Tiger Running Club. Parents of these students have already been notified.