

November 13, 2009

Dear Parents:

Homestead Elementary School will join the National Education Association (NEA) and thousands of schools nationwide in celebrating the 88th annual American Education Week from November 15-21, 2009. This year's theme is "Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility." The tagline represents NEA's vision of calling upon all Americans to do their part in making public schools great for every child so that they can grow and achieve in the 21st century.

As part of the celebration, we will be organizing a variety of activities throughout the week. You will find the various activities listed on the back of this sheet.

For more information on American Education Week, please visit www.nea.org/aew.

Sincerely,

Homestead Students and Staff

American Ed Week

November 16-20, 2009

Monday - Celebration of American Ed Week

Monday will be the kickoff to American Education Week. Return your filled out crayon to school. On one side of the crayon the students will write what they like about school. On the other side of the crayon parents will write what they liked about school.

Tuesday - Support Professional Day

Tuesday is Support Professional Day. The students will be doing a "Guess Who" activity at school with their class. This will allow students the opportunity to get to know ALL Homestead staff members.

Wednesday - Parent Day (3rd grade has scheduled other days)

Wednesday is Parent Day! Parents are invited to visit their child's classroom during a scheduled time. Your child's teacher will give you the details about the activity their grade level chose.

Thursday - Dress as your future profession

Thursday is Dress as your Future Profession Day. Students are invited to dress up as a parent's professions OR to just bring something in that a parent might use for their profession. Every student will "Show n Tell" their parent's profession to the class.

Friday - Wear school colors

Friday is Spirit Day. On this day, we want students to appreciate their education and Homestead School! This will be a Wear Spirit Wear Day too! Get them revved up about education and its importance and let them talk about why they like Homestead (what they like best, etc.). Lucky, our school Mascot, will be in the multi-purpose room for students to visit him from 9:00-10:00 a.m. If children do not want to visit Lucky, they will sit in the office during this short time.