

## Double Branch Elementary

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# RANCHER TIMES

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## Principal's Message

Hello Rancher Families!

Happy Fall! Red Ribbon Week activities have just concluded and the culminating activity (Storybook Character Dress Up Day) was a huge success! Be sure to look for a link from your child's teacher to view our virtual "parade" on our YouTube channel. Students are well into the second quarter of school and are working hard! Please remember to make sure your child is reading nightly and that you engage them in conversation about what they are reading. First quarter report cards were released recently. If you have questions about the academic progress that your child is making, please be sure to contact your child's teacher to set up a conference. We are happy to work in partnership with you to provide any support needed so that you can assist your child at home.

*Dr. Wiggins*

### Sunshine State Young Readers

The Sunshine State Young Reader Award Program is underway! We have lots of students participating in the program and already receiving their tags. A special shoutout to each of the students who have turned in posters, drawings, book reports, or scored at least an 8/10 on their quizzes:

- Mrs. Ogden’s **ENTIRE** class
- Abree Brewer (Duhon)
- Allison Steinbach (Agnes)
- Payson Kean (Diamond)
- Lochana Herath (Liebman)
- Jackson Brewer (Ortiz)
- Allison Symanel (Patterson)
- Catelynn Zuckerman (Less)
- Christian Gonzalez (Less)
- Paige Dixon (Less)
- Tanner Henderson (Less)
- Isabella Wieman (Noble)
- Isabella Garcia (Toney)
- Rylan Managaroo (Toney)
- Sophia Himmelberger (Toney)

#### K- 2<sup>nd</sup> Program:

As a reminder, students will need to turn in either their poster, book report, or drawing/writing by Thursday of each week. Please ensure the student has written his/her name on the paper and placed into the basket labeled “SSYRA JR” on the main desk in the Media Center. Tags will be delivered to each teacher’s mailbox on Fridays.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Program:

All invitations have been sent out to students. For those wanting to participate, they must accept the invite and can join through their learning icon in MPC. Tags are earned for students who have scored at least an 80% (quizzes can be taken up to 3 times). Scores will be checked weekly for the prior Friday-Thursday, and tags will be distributed on each Friday.

Most books have been delivered to each grade’s pod, but we are still waiting for some titles to arrive. Once the shipments are received, the books will be distributed to your pod.

Thank you for your participation and Happy Reading!!!

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### Rancher Reminders

Families, please remember that for the safety of everyone, students that are being dropped off in the morning must come through the car line and parents must remain in their vehicles. The only exception is our pre-k families who need to be walked to the Media Center. Thank you!

### Toys For Tots

**TOYS FOR TOTS**  
 DADE CITY/ LACOOCHEE/ SAN ANTONIO

Registration at  
 Rodney B. Cox Elementary School  
 37615 Martin Luther King Blvd Dade City  
 Life Skills Building (Premier Dental Clinic)

Registration In Person **ONLY** and **MUST** provide  
 -Birth certificates for all children under the age of 12  
 -Proof of resident (current water bill, electric, cable, ect.)  
 -Custody paperwork if not your child by birth.  
 -Photo I.D. Drivers License, Passport

Registration dates October-December from 5:30-6:30pm

Oct. 26, 27, 28      Nov. 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 30      Dec. 1, 2

### DBES First Annual Turkey Trot (Walk-a-Thon)

**DOUBLE BRANCH ELEMENTARY RANCHERS**

**Double Branch First Annual Turkey Trot Fundraiser**

**Who:** DBES Students

**What:** DBES Fall Fundraiser: Turkey Trot (Walk-a-thon)

**When:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021

**Where:** PE Field during specials time

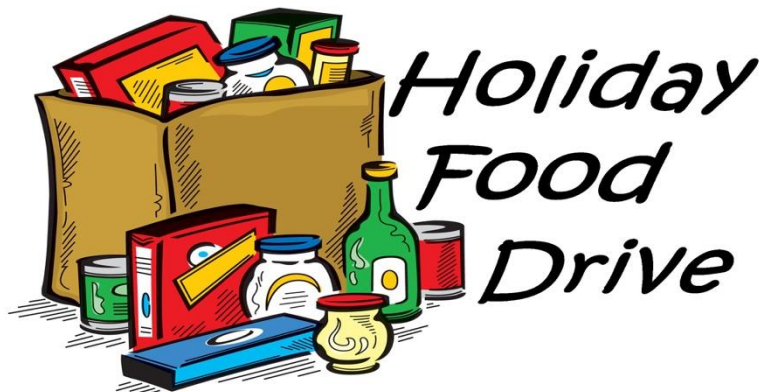
**Why:** To raise money for student and staff incentives, educational materials, and supplies

**How:** Students will bring home a sponsor envelope on November 11, 2021

Parents can ask family and friends to sponsor their child by donating a few dollars.

Students can collect sponsor names and donations up until the morning of the Turkey Trot and then turn in their envelopes to classroom teachers on November 17th.

The goal is to raise approximately \$25.00 per student. Families are free to sponsor additional students if they would like. The class that collects the most donations will earn a pizza party.



The Double Branch Elementary School PTA, Student Council and the Guidance Department are partnering to provide Thanksgiving food baskets and December Holiday food baskets to families in need here at Double Branch. This program is known as *Caring and Sharing* and has been part of the Ranch for many years.

**From November 1-12 2021 we will be collecting food to support this program.**

**Please send an item/items listed for your child's grade level to the classroom.**

**Pre-K:** Cranberry sauce, crackers, goldfish

**Kindergarten:** Canned fruit, applesauce, soup

**1st Grade:** Cereal, oatmeal, breakfast bars, gravy

**2nd Grade:** Macaroni & cheese, rice, boxed potatoes

**3rd Grade:** Spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned pasta, stuffing mix

**4th Grade:** Green beans, corn, peas, black beans, corn bread or other muffin mix

**5th Grade:** Juice/juice boxes, canned chicken or tuna, snacks

**We are also in need of toiletries:** shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, dish soap, laundry detergent, and deodorant.

**Target, Walmart and Publix gift cards are also very welcome- these will be used to purchase turkeys for our families.**

Thank you for your support of the *Caring and Sharing*



**Program and supporting our Rancher families!**

