News and Notes - Walden Academy

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Walden CARES

Director's News

Bike Rodeo

We had a very successful first Bike Rodeo! 47 students participated by riding through the course and learning about bike safety. We will be handing out ribbons to our students with the highest scores from the Bike Rodeo at Good Morning Walden on June 3rd.

Thank you to our volunteers who made this event possible!

There will be no Good Morning Walden in May due to STAR testing.

STAR testing is May 6-14.

Helping Your Child with Testing

Are you wondering how you can help your child with STAR testing? Here are some ideas:

* Make attendance a priority, especially on days that you know standardized testing will be administered or there is a test in the classroom.

* Make a note of test days on the calendar -- from spelling quizzes to big high-stakes tests. That way both you and your child know what's coming and will be prepared. * Look over your child's homework daily and check for understanding.

* Avoid pressuring your child and provide him/her with encouragement.

* Confirm that your child will be receiving any pre-determined accommodations during tests.

* Set a reasonable bedtime and stick to it.

* Make sure your child has enough time to wake up fully before he has to go to school.

* Provide a high-protein, healthy, low-sugar breakfast for your child.

* Talk to your child about how the test went, what he/she did well and what he/she would have done differently.

* Go over the test with your child when he/she gets it back or when you receive the scores.

Independent Study

With the Glenn County Fair coming, I thought it would be good to remind families that independent study is available for absences of three or more days. To set up independent study, please speak with your teacher or the front office.

Independent study allows a student to keep up with classwork and helps Walden by providing funding for your student's attendance.

Upcoming Enrichment

5/1: Drama & Art 5/8: Drama & USDA 5/15: Drama & Spanish 5/22: Drama & Bureau of Reclamation

Go River Hawks!

Cooperation *Assertion* *Responsibility & Respect* *Empathy* *Self-Control*



Upcoming Events

- 5/6-5/14: STAR Testing
- 5/27: Memorial Day - No School
- 5/29: End of Year Celebration
- 6/3: Last Good Morning Walden
- 6/7: Last day of school

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