

## **The Dolphin Connection**

January 6, 2017

#### From the Desk of the Principal...

**Dear Sam Davey Caregivers,** 

If you are reading this, I would bet that you did one of two things today:

- 1. At something you bought at a grocery store = GROCERIES.
- 2. Rode or operated in an automobile = GAS.

Well did you? My guess is that you did. With that in mind, I would like to remind EVERYONE about our SCRIP program at Sam Davey. The SCRIP program allows you to shop at your favorite store, and Sam Davey gets a percentage of your purchase. We learned at the PTA Meeting on Tuesday night that if every family were to buy their GAS and GROCERIES through our SCRIP Program, PTA would make \$32,000 dollars in profit for our school! If that were to happen, we would not need to fund raise in any other way.

Since PTA has purchased Phase One of the Playground Equipment project, our funds for supporting field trips and programming at Sam Davey have become limited. You can help by learning about, and using our SCRIP Program for the GAS and GROCERIES you are already purchasing. Please consider using this service. Information on how to use the SCRIP Program is below.

Sam Davey has a tradition of trying to not ask parents for money to support field trips and other educational events. Unfortunately, we are in a position where we may need to revisit this policy, and begin asking families to fund these initiatives. Please know that is NOT something we want to do, and if everyone used the Scrip Program it would be unnecessary to ask for additional funds.

Happy New Year everyone. Please consider a New Year's Resolution of using the Scrip Program at Sam Davey. We all benefit from it!

Respectfully, Principal Giese

William Giese
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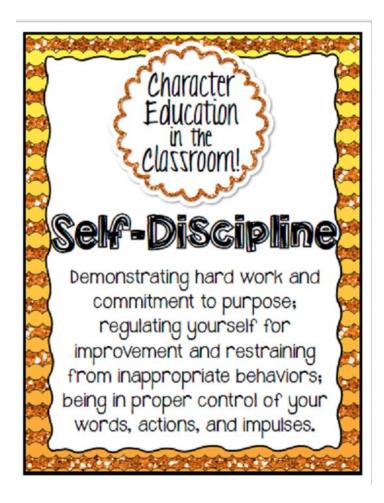


## From the Desk of your Partnership Coordinator

Happy 2017 and welcome back to school Sam Davey! Our January Character Trait is **SELF DISCIPLINE**.

Having self-discipline means you think about your words and actions, and then making choices that are right for you and others.

You can show self-discipline when you accept that things do not always go your way.



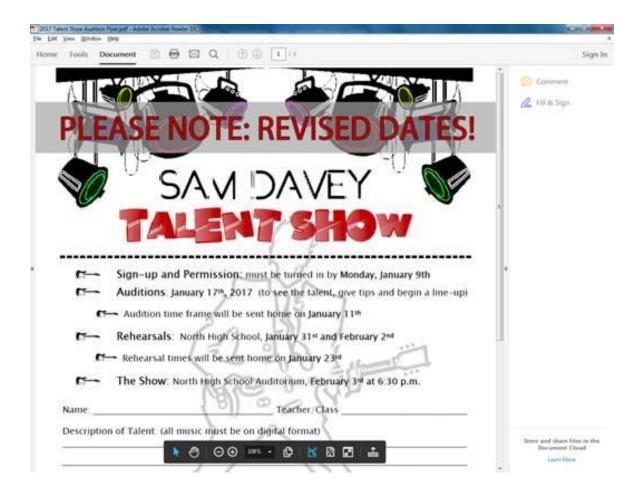
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## **Notes from the Sam Davey PTA:**

#### Sam Davey Families;

The dates of the Talent Show auditions, rehearsals and performance have been moved to accommodate scheduling with the NHS auditorium and "No-School Days". A new sign-up slip has been sent home in folders, which includes all the new dates. Please have your student return a permission slip by Monday if they are interested in participating.



How can you help support our Sam Davey PTA? One simple way is to show financial support by purchasing your everyday necessities with SCRIP. SCRIP is available for many items including groceries, gasoline, household goods, building supplies, online purchases and even services such as massage. It may not seem like much, but if half of the Sam Davey families purchased \$50 worth of SCRIP weekly (and who doesn't spend \$50 a week on gas and or groceries?) our school could earn around \$5000 by the end of the school year! The best part is there is no door-to-door selling, no deliveries and no additional money out of your budget.

#### SCRIP Order Form – 2016

(the rebate our school earns is in parentheses)

Retailer:	Denomination: (circle)	# Desired:	Total \$\$:	Retailer:	Denomination: (circle)	# Desired:	Total \$5:
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Amazon (3%)	\$25/100			Kohl's (4%)	\$25/100		
Barnes & Noble (9%)	\$10/25			Kwik Trlp (4%)	\$25/50/100		
Bath & Body (13%)	\$10/25			iTunes (5%)	\$15/25		
Best Buy (4%)	\$25/100/250			Mega Holiday (10%)	\$25/50/100	4	
Buffalo Wild Wings (8%)	\$10/25			Panera (9%)	\$10/25		
Culver's (10%)	\$5/10/25			Texas Roadhouse (8%)	\$25		
Dairy Queen (10%)	\$5			Target (2.5%)	\$25/50/100		
Gordy's (5%)	\$25/50/100			Walmart (2.5%)	\$25/50/100		
KNOTS AWAY MASSAGE -	- Jen Wiggin – Sam I	Davey Parent (	3%) 30 mir	(\$30) 60 min (\$50) 90 min	(\$70)		

#### We can order from hundreds of retailers!

For a complete listing, please go to <a href="www.shopwithscrip.com">www.shopwithscrip.com</a> and click on the "Retailer List" (scroll to the bottom of the page under "Quick Links"). In addition to that list, we also order locally from Burracho's, Culver's, DQ, Gordy's, Mega Holiday, Scheel's and Grizzly's.

Check to see what denominations are available for each retailer, then let us know what you would like below:

Retailer:	Denomination:	# desired:	Total \$\$:
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#### When will I get my cards?

If we have the cards in stock, we will usually get them to you within a week of receiving your order. If we have to order the cards, we order what we need to restock inventory and fill outstanding orders on the first Monday of every month. We will then get your order to you as soon as the cards are available (usually within a week of the Monday we place the order). You are welcome to contact us before placing your order if you want to know if something is available in stock.

Questions? Contact Jamie Berg <u>3ibergs@qmail.com</u> or Renee Barth <u>reneebphotography@outlook.com</u>

Please make checks payable to: Sam Davey PTA

Name:	Phone #:	Order Total: \$					
Child's Name:	Child's Class:						
Send my order home with my child. Orders will be sent home in sealed envelopes. I understand that Sam Davey PTA cannot be responsible for orders once they have left the building.							
Please call or text me (circle which) at the number above when my order is ready. I will pick it up at school.							
Please email me at:	when my order is ready. I	will pick it up at school.					

## **Reflections News**

The Reflections competition at the local level has wrapped up and all entries have been judged and awards are here! Ribbons are attached to the projects displayed in the hallway by the Art room. The top 5 pieces in each category will move on to state competition. Work with a blue colored ribbon is moving on to State level competition. The work and ribbons will be on display until the talent show. During

the talent show participants will receive their ribbons, certificates and

judges' comments. An invitation will be sent to all Reflections participants to come to the talent show award ceremony. Thank you to all who participated. Good luck to all those who will now compete at state.

## **District News:**

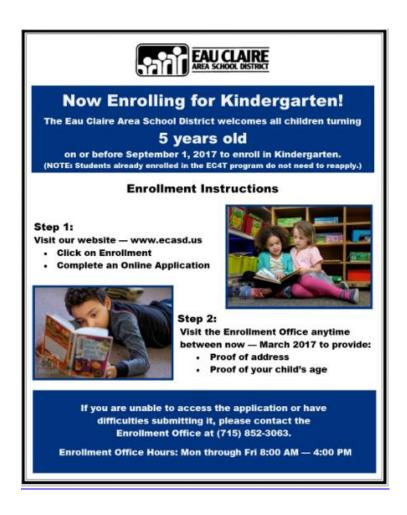
## Public School Open Enrollment: February 6 - April 28, 2017

Wisconsin residents in grades 4K -12 may apply to attend school in a school district other than the one in which they live. For example: a child that lives in the Altoona School District could apply to attend the Eau Claire Area School District (ECASD). Students in pre-kindergarten may participate in limited circumstances; parents should call Sandy LaValley at 852-3003 to find out if their preschoolaged child(ren) qualify.

# Students who are currently attending the ECASD through open enrollment DO NOT need to reapply.

The open enrollment application for the 2017-18 school year is February 6 – April 28, 2017. The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction no longer provides paper application forms to the school districts. An online application will be available to the public beginning Monday, February 6, and closing at 4:00 pm on April 28, 2017. For more information about open enrollment, please go to: http://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment.

Have you moved outside of the Eau Claire School District this year? If so, you need to complete a **Tuition Waiver** form. Contact Sandy LaValley for more information at 715-852-3003.





Race to Nowhere Documentary Showings

The LEAP (Learning Environments and Partnerships) Committee of the Eau Claire Area School District invites families to a viewing and discussion of the documentary, *Race to Nowhere*. Learn more about this call to engage Eau Claire educators, families, students and community members to examine educational assumptions on how to inspire and prepare the youth of Eau Claire to live creative, fulfilling and responsible lives.

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families, educators and community members to examine assumptions on how to inspire and

prepare the youth of Eau Claire to live creative, fulfilling and responsible lives. Please join us for one of three viewings at the Memorial High School Little Theatre. All viewings and discussions are from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Showings are Tuesday, January 17;

Wednesday, January 25; and Thursday, February 2. Please bring along a pen or pencil.

## **Notes from your Nurse:**

#### **Head Lice in Schools**

- Head lice can be a nuisance, but they have not been shown to spread disease.
- Personal hygiene or cleanliness in the home or school has nothing to do with getting head lice.
- Transmission of head lice usually occurs through direct contact with the **head** of another infested individual.
- Lice cannot hop or fly; they crawl. Nits (eggs) are attached to the hair shaft with a glue-like substance and are very unlikely to be transferred successfully to other people. Inschool transmission is considered to be rare.
- When live head lice are found on a student, the parent/guardian will be notified by phone. The student will remain in the classroom, and a letter with treatment information will be sent home with the student at the end of the day.
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- Parents are asked to treat for head lice and remove all nits (eggs) before sending their child back to school. Most lice treatments do not kill nits, so it is important to remove all nits to prevent them from hatching into live lice.

- Treatment for lice is **not** recommended unless the child actually has lice. Parents are encouraged to make checking for head lice a part of routine hygiene, as lice is present in the community at all times of the year.
- Lice cases are tracked, and letters to parents notifying them of lice in the classroom will be sent out on an as-needed basis as determined by the school nurse and administrator.
- ECASD procedures for head lice management are based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the National Association of School Nurses, the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, and the ECASD Medical Advisor.

Contact your child's school nurse with questions.



Whether winter brings severe storms, light dustings or just cold temperatures, the **American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)** has some valuable tips on how to keep your children safe and warm.

#### What to Wear

- Dress <u>infants</u> and <u>children</u> warmly for outdoor activities. Several thin layers will keep them dry and warm. Don't forget warm boots, gloves or mittens, and a hat.
- The rule of thumb for older babies and young children is to dress them in one more layer of clothing than an adult would wear in the same conditions.

#### **Hypothermia**

- Hypothermia develops when a child's temperature falls below normal due to <u>exposure to colder</u> <u>temperatures</u>. It often happens when a youngster is <u>playing outdoors</u> in extremely cold weather without wearing proper clothing or when clothes get wet. It can occur more quickly in children than in adults.
- As hypothermia sets in, the child may shiver and become lethargic and clumsy. Speech may become slurred and body temperature will decline in more severe cases.
- If you suspect your child is hypothermic, <u>call 911</u> at once. Until help arrives, take the child indoors, remove any wet clothing, and wrap him in blankets or warm clothes.

#### **Frostbite**

- Frostbite happens when the skin and outer tissues become frozen. This condition tends to happen on extremities like the fingers, toes, ears and nose. They may become pale, gray and blistered. At the same time, the child may complain that his/her skin burns or has become numb.
- If frostbite occurs, bring the child indoors and place the frostbitten parts of her body in warm (not hot) water. 104° Fahrenheit (about the temperature of most hot tubs) is recommended. Warm washcloths may be applied to frostbitten nose, ears and lips.
- Do not rub the frozen areas.
- After a few minutes, dry and cover the child with clothing or blankets. Give him/her something warm to drink.

• If the numbness continues for more than a few minutes, call your doctor.

#### **Winter Health**

- If your child suffers from winter <u>nosebleeds</u>, try using a cold air humidifier in the child's room at night. Saline nose drops or petroleum may help keep nasal tissues moist. If bleeding is severe or recurrent, consult your pediatrician.
- Cold weather does not cause <u>colds</u> or <u>flu</u>. But the viruses that cause colds and flu tend to be
  more common in the winter, when children are in school and are in closer contact with each
  other. Frequent <u>hand washing</u> and teaching your child to sneeze or cough into the bend of her
  elbow may help reduce the spread of colds and flu.
- Children 6 months of age and up should get the <u>influenza vaccine</u> to reduce their risk of catching the flu.

#### **Winter Sports and Activities**

- Set reasonable time limits on outdoor play to prevent hypothermia and frostbite. Have children come inside periodically to warm up.
- Using <u>alcohol</u> or <u>drugs</u> before any winter activity, like snowmobiling or skiing, is dangerous and should not be permitted in any situation.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

January 9 – Middle School Registration

January 18 – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip; Ice Age Trail

January 23 – No school for students; Professional Development Day

January 27 – Kindergarten field trip; Children's Museum

January 31 – Buckley Photography Class Pictures

January 31 & February 2<sup>nd</sup> Talent show rehearsals at North High School 6:00 pm \*note date change\*

February 3 – Talent Show at North High School Auditorium 6:30 p.m. \*note date change\*