



Yuma Elementary

September 2023

Gate City H.S. Homecoming Week (Sept. 11-15):

We are supporting GCHS by dressing up for Homecoming week (September 11-15th):

Monday: America/Patriotic; Country/Camo

Tuesday: Favorite College or Sports Team

Wednesday: Class Colors (each grade wears a certain color)

Thursday: Pink Out/Barbie or Ken/Superhero

Friday: GC t-shirt or wear blue and white

Coming to School and Going the Extra Degree

At 212 degrees, water boils, produces steam, and can power machines. That 1 extra degree turns hot water into something extraordinary. Our theme this year is "212" and we want teachers, students, and parents to work for that extra degree. As an attendance incentive, each classroom is working to earn "degrees" by having 100% attendance. Each class can earn 10 degrees each day by having every student in class for the day. Each student absence costs the class a degree. As classes reach 212 degrees, a special gym class reward will be given. This first reward is a glow in the dark glow stick party during an extra gym time. So, go the extra degree by coming to school on time each day!

Trick or Treat the Trail: We will have Trick or Treat the Trail on Oct. 26th at 6:00 pm. Last year this was a success as students enjoyed walking around our trail. Parents and families will need to sign up to hand out candy (forms will be coming soon). We will direct you where to sit, so bring a chair and lots of candy to hand out. We would like for you to spread out along the outside of the trail (everyone on one side). This will allow our Trick or Treat line not to back up as everyone will be spread out over the walking trail. Plan on about 200 Trick or Treaters. Students need to be in their homeroom class by 6:00. Teachers will escort students to walk around the trail. After students have gone around the trail, they stay with their teacher on the outside basketball court. You may pick up your child there after you hand out candy. After Yuma students have been through the line, the younger siblings are allowed to get some treats! We hope that you can make plans to join us and don't forget to wear your costume 😊

Reminders:

Food City card: Please visit the Food City website: <https://www.foodcity.com/schoolbucks/> to register your Food City card to Yuma Elementary and use our # 41069. Registration will start September 6th and *this must be done every year*. We just received a check for \$2,226 from Food City School Bucks for last year!! This money will go toward the purchase of our new playground.

BoxTops for Education: Please remember to download the Box Top app and scan your receipts. This is an easy way to make money for our school. Thanks for your help 😊

Fall Festival: We are looking forward to our upcoming Fall Festival October 6th (5:00-8:00) and we need your help. We will have lots of games, a cake walk, BINGO, and much more. Your child's teacher will need some help working games/activities and will be asking for donations for silent auction baskets (which are very popular as each one is unique to your child's homeroom). We also ask for donations of gently used stuffed animals for game prizes. Please look around your home and see if you have some new or gently used items that we may use as Bingo prizes. We will need lots of yummy cakes for the cake walk! If each family could send one 2-liter soft drink bottle for a ring toss game, this would help greatly. We will be selling half and half tickets. There will be vendors in the gym, so if you or anyone you know would like to set up a table and sell items please contact the school for more information. All proceeds from our Fall Festival and all fundraising this year will go to purchase a new and much needed playground. As always Thank You for your support 😊

Important Dates

September:

- 1-4th Labor Day Break (Schools closed)
- 18th Mid-term reports go home
- 27th School pictures

October:

- 6th Fall Festival 5:00-8:00
- 16th End of 1st 9 weeks
Open House 3:30-6:00
- 26th Trick or Treat the Trail 6:00 pm

November:

- 5th Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 6-7th Fall Break (school closed)
- 10th Yuma Hoedown (more info coming)
- 13-17th Book Fair
- 20th Picture retakes
- 21st Early Dismissal 1:00
- 22-24th Thanksgiving Break (school closed)

December

- 20th Early Dismissal 1:00
- 21-Jan. 4th Christmas Break (school closed)

