

## You + LWJES

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## Better Together in 2019!

Last month, we included information about the Superintendent's Honor Roll and a renewed request for family support and involvement in education here at Louis Wiener, Jr. Elementary School. As we head into the new year, we would like to once again let families know how much we are looking forward to working together to improve learning for students here at our school!

Regular attendance is very important for students to have opportunities to learn academics and social skills. Our teachers have been learning about ways to increase academic language skills for students through a variety of strategies. If a student misses these lessons (or any lesson!), they have missed something that cannot be recreated. While teachers will do everything they can to catch up the student, the original learning and opportunity to practice was lost. We know that students must be absent from time to time, but your insistence on regular attendance with your child is greatly appreciated. Avoiding tardy arrivals or early pick-ups as much as possible is also appreciated.

You may know that our school attendance rate counts as 10% of our school report card. This key measure on our report card can make the difference between star ratings!

Louis Wiener, Jr. Elementary School provides a meaningful and motivating environment that encourages the success of all students. We're Better Together!

**We want to thank everyone for a fantastic 2018 at LWJES! As we head into the winter break, we wish everyone a restful, rejuvenating, and safe school holiday. We are excited to see everyone back on Monday, January 7, 2019.**

**Happy Holidays!**

Thank you,

*Mr. Blume and Mr. Nellis*

## Dates to Know

December 21, 2018 – Final Day of Semester 1

December 24, 2018 – Winter Break Begins (Through 1/4/19)



January 7, 2019 – Classes Resume

January 11, 2019 – Report Card Distribution

January 21, 2019 – No School, MLK, Jr. Holiday

January 24, 2019 – PTA Cultural Night

## NEWS AND NOTES

Report cards for the first semester will be distributed on Friday, January 11, 2019. There will not be a progress report distributed with this newsletter.

Our Holiday Miracle Minute on Thursday, December 13, 2018, was a huge success. Thanks to your efforts, we collected almost \$1,500 to support families in our school community in need. Our counselor is working to connect families to these funds to assist with the holiday season. We are very proud of our LWJES community for their generosity and thoughtfulness!

As of December 19, 2018 our students have passed **18,833** Accelerated Reader quizzes. **We would like to see the school pass at least 50,000 AR quizzes this year.** You can track our school's progress on our website ([wiener.ccsd.net](http://wiener.ccsd.net)) in the Accelerated Reader Stats section on the home page. AR quizzes are only available on school computers, but AR books may be read at home!

*The school office will be closed from Monday, December 24, 2018, through Friday, January 4, 2019. The front office will reopen at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, January 7, 2019, when classes resume. We look forward to assisting you at that time!*

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