

EAGLE EXPRESS

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November 17-19

Parent/Guardian Conferences 1:15 dismissals
School Council Meeting – **Nov 17th** 3:20pm
School Committee Meeting – **Nov 17th** 7:00pm

“Savings Makes Cents”- **Nov 18th**
FAIR NIGHT – **Nov 18th** 6:00-7:30pm
Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for
Staff and Students – **Nov 19th**

November 25-27

No School-Thanksgiving Recess

Parent Conferences

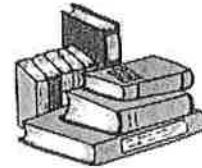
Parent/guardian conferences will take place on
Tuesday, November 17th Wednesday,
November 18th and Thursday November 19th.
**We would like to remind you that students
will be dismissed at 1:15**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Thanksgiving Dinner



Thursday, November 19th will be our annual
Thanksgiving dinner for staff and students and we
will need your help setting tables, serving, and
clean up.

Any time you can give us will be greatly
appreciated. If you would like to volunteer, please
call the school at
413 423-3326



FAIR Storytelling Night

November 18th is the last chance to attend
“Family Adventures in Reading”. This series of
special events with renowned storyteller Mary
Jo Maichack is particularly for 1st through 4th
grades, but all are welcome. A free family-
friendly supper is included.



TAKE A TAG, BUY A GIFT, HELP A FAMILY



The EES PTO is once again joining forces with
the EES staff and helping families in need this
holiday season. Starting next Wednesday,
there will be a tree in the lobby with tags on it
for items we will be collecting. Please pick a
tag, purchase the item and return it *unwrapped*
to EES. Once collected, the items will be
delivered to those who need it. Items range in
size and price...please help where you can
and help us provide some holiday cheer to
some families this season



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Parent/Guardian Conferences

Parent/Guardian conferences are being held on November 17 (Tuesday), November 18 (Wednesday) and November 19 (Thursday). There is a 1:15 pm dismissal time on each of those conference days. The After School Program is offering services for families on each of those days. The following special tuition rates will apply:

*Parents who sign up for ALL three days get a reduced total rate of \$34.00.

*Parents who sign up for TWO of those three days get a reduced total rate of \$24.00.

*Parents who sign up for ONE day, pay the normal daily amount of \$13.50.

The After School Program ends at 5:30 pm, but parents/guardians can pick up their child anytime before 5:30 pm.

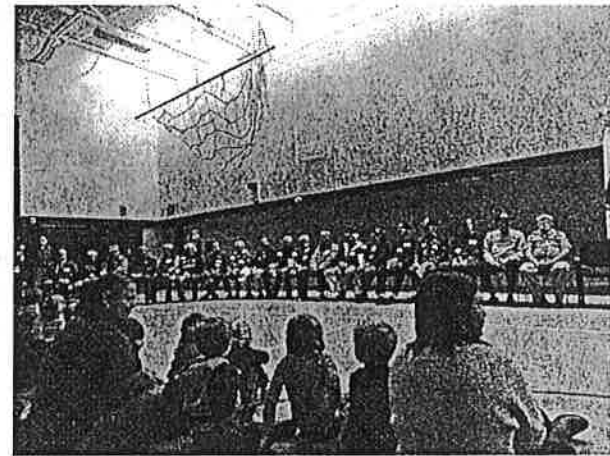
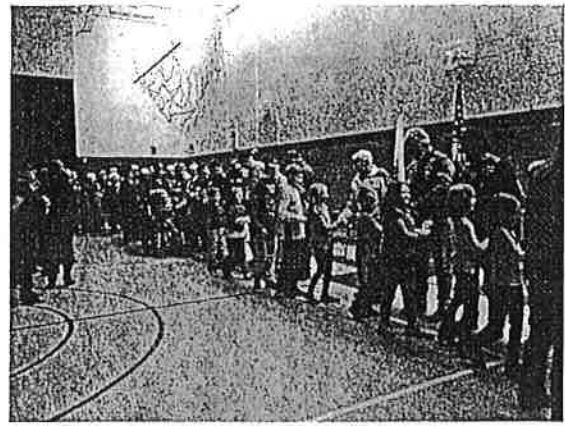
In order for your child to attend these after school sessions, a registration form and payment are needed before your child can participate. If you have not filled out a form for this year, you may pick one up at the school office.

Please feel free to send in payment with your child's name and the days you are interested in having your child participate in the After School Program. You may contact me at any time at Mitchell@erving.com or 781-697-0011.

Thank you
Stephanie Mitchell



Veterans Day Program



News From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

I feel that one of the most important educational messages we can convey to our students is that of respect. If every person in the world truly honored, valued, and respected each other, it would be clear that we would be living in a different world. I would like to share with the community how our students and staff at Erving Elementary School recently had the opportunity to spend some *special time with 'friends'*, and demonstrate the value of respect. On Tuesday November 10, 2015 Erving Elementary School students and staff came together to honor and pay tribute to all American veterans, but especially to give thanks to living veterans who served our country honorably during war or peacetime. Our school was proud to honor the following (34) special guests in attendance:



Richard Wahlstrom (Army), Fred Blanchard (Air Force), Theresa Blanchard (Rolling Thunder), Joe Lorion (Navy), Jeffrey Neipp (Army), Dan Hammock (Army), Thomas Smith (Coast Guard), Jeff Rollins (Navy), Joseph Kozik (Army), Terry Floran (Army), Joyce Wonkka-Coolidge (Army -Spouse), Jacquelyn Boyden (Navy), Ronald Leslie (Marines), Gary Betters (Army), Eric Meals (Navy), Peter Sanders (Navy), Sean Barry (Army), Bill Rosenberg (Army), Russ Breault (Army), Frank Zabawa (Army), Ron Matuszko (Marines, Air Force), David Thompson (Army), Andrea Curtis (Navy), Richard Galvin (Army), Joseph Dulat (Army), Robert Hall Jr. (Navy, Army), Christopher Blair (Army), Jason Allen (Army), Steven Chapman (Air Force), Rob Holst (Army), Dennis Wonsey (Air Force), Claude Lapointe (Marines), Tim O'Donnell (Army), Bruce Fowler (Air Force).

Students, staff and guests joined together in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge, grade 6 students read speeches, followed by Rebecca Bosworth-Clemens leading the chorus in "America the Beautiful" and, "White Cliffs of Dover". Three Veterans addressed the audience on behalf of all Veterans. At the conclusion of the ceremony, students and staff filed past the American Flag, stopping to acknowledge each service member while thanking them personally for their sacrifice to protect our freedom.

A special thank you to Megan Gagne for managing this event. We have a wonderful school, filled with students and staff who truly respect each other. At times we may slip up in our attempt to be the best we can, however, willing and helpful members of our community are beside us to watch and guide us along the path. Thank you for all that you do to help our community grow in respect of all life.

Have a safe and relaxing weekend.

Sincerely,


Jim Trill
Principal

"The Wonderful Learners" in second grade have begun to research United States Symbols! We have started our study using texts to gather information. Soon, we'll use child-friendly websites.

Check out what we've learned so far...



"Bald eagles eat fish." - Aryanna

"The Liberty Bell cracked on it's first ring." - Bryanna

"The Statue of Liberty stands for freedom." -Matthew

"The bald eagle is a symbol of our country and it was chosen because it looks like a proud bird." -Aiden

"The stars on the flag mean the 50 states." - Jack

"The Liberty Bell cracked after only one ring!" -Madison

"You can find the American flag on houses and schools. It stands for everyone in the United States of America." -Cameron

"Benjamin Franklin thought the turkey would have been a better symbol than the bald eagle." -Noah

"A bald eagle is a symbol for America and it's famous." -Jaylice

"The Statue of Liberty was built in Paris. It took 10 years to build. They broke it to move it into New York City! It took 214 crates to move it!" -Max

"In 1915 the Liberty Bell was the most popular symbol for America." - Nathaniel

"The Liberty bell cracked on its first ring." -Ethan

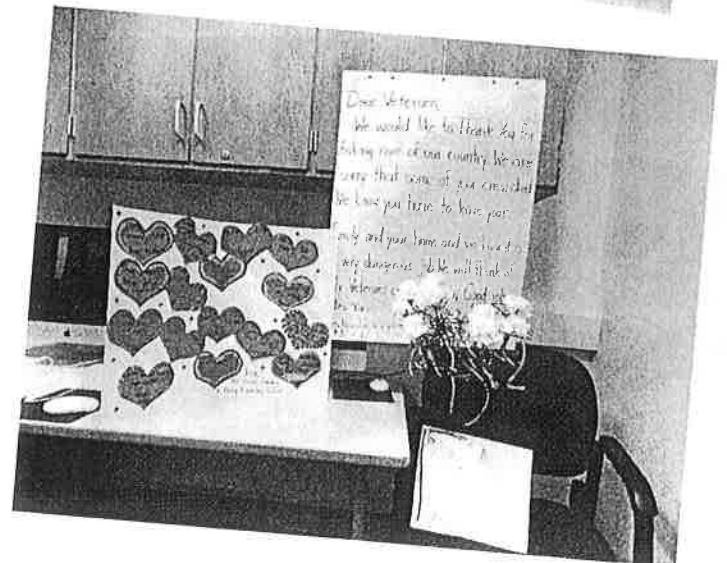
"There were 13 stars on the flag because there were only 13 states." - Alex

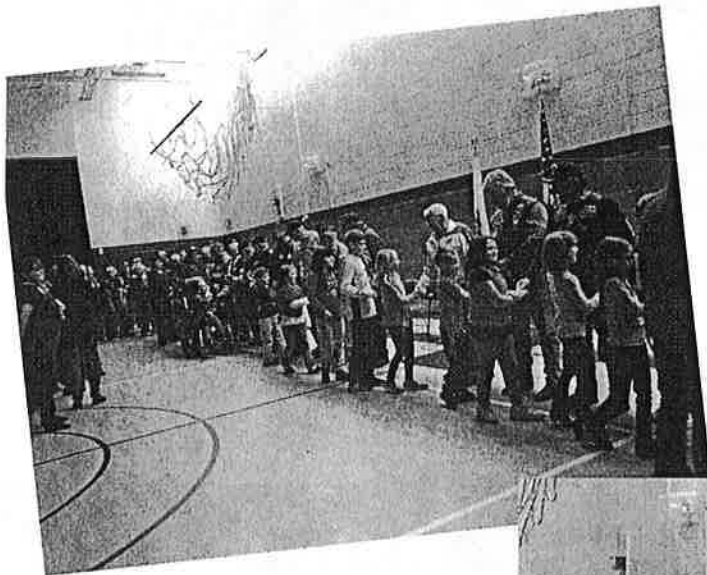
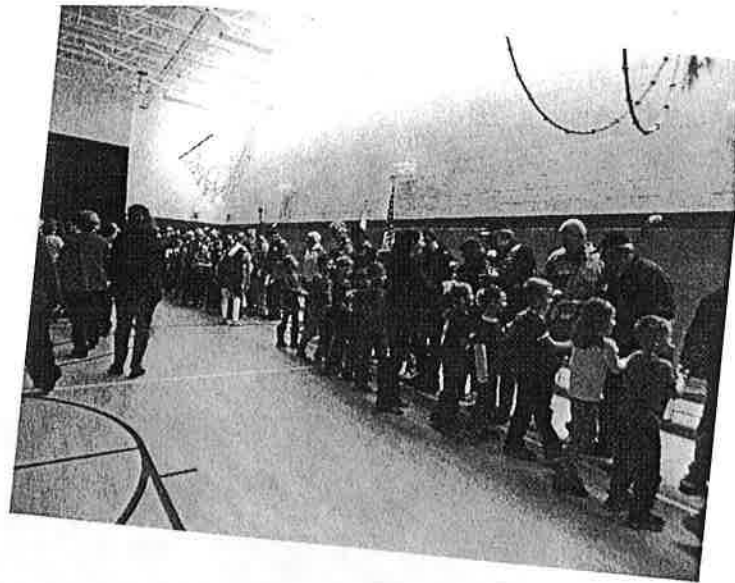
"The American flag was put on The North Pole almost 100 years ago."

"The Statue of Liberty is in New York." -Michael

"The Statue of Liberty holds a tablet. It has the date the U.S.A. was born on it." -Danielle

Veterans Day







Holiday Bazaar

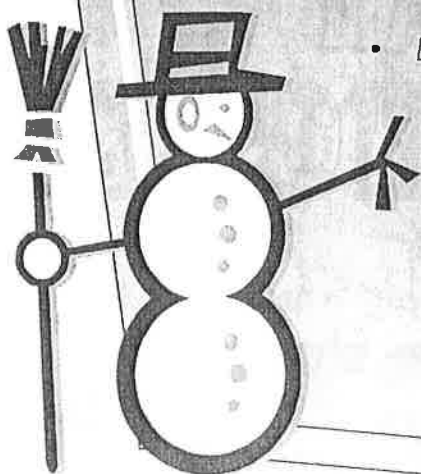
Accepting Donations

For the month of November, the 6th grade will be accepting donations of items for the 6th Grade Holiday Bazaar. We are looking for new and gently used small household items and toys, as well as wrapping paper and gift bags.

These items will be sold to E.E.S. students in December during the bazaar. Students will have an opportunity with their class to purchase items at a small price (\$.25, \$.50 and up). Proceeds will be used to fund the 6th Grade class trip to New York City later this year.

- *Donations may be dropped in the lobby.*

Thank you!!!!!!!!!!



please join the Erving Recreation Commission for

Breakfast WITH SANTA

DECEMBER *twelfth*

ERVING SENIOR &
Community Center

drop in **9**AM **to 11**AM
from

PANCAKES

hot cocoa

PICTURES

Your donation will support
Erving Families in need!!



P TO FREE FAMILY FUN CRAFT NIGHT

Join us for a fun night making holiday inspired crafts!

THURSDAY DECEMBER 10TH, 5-7:00 PM

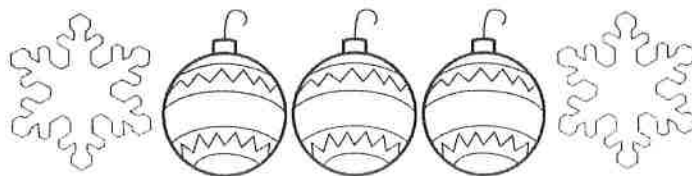
EES CAFETERIA

All materials provided free!

Dinner will also be served.

Bring a friend and enjoy a night of fun and crafting.

Stay tuned for more details!!





News from Laini the Library Lion

On Wednesday evening, Nov. 18, we are
holding our very last

FAMILY ADVENTURES IN READING

[also known as *FAIR*]

We've had fun & interesting evenings with
Mary Jo and all the participating families

AND

I would like to extend a special invitation
to all other families of 1st-4th graders,
especially those who attended earlier in the fall.

to remind you...

the program runs from 6:00-7:30 pm in the
EES Library Well (a snack is included)

but before the program starts, a **FREE**
family-friendly dinner is served in the school
cafeteria beginning at 5:15 pm

**HOPE WE'LL SEE YOU ON
WEDNESDAY!**

Union #28 Family Café Nights for Families of Children with Special Needs

2015-2016 Schedule

Co-Sponsored by the Erving School Union #28 Special Education Parent Advisory Council and Community Network for Children Program



Wednesdays from 6-7:30pm

- September 23 – Erving Elementary
- October 21 – Leverett Elementary
- November 18 – Erving Elementary
- January 20 – Leverett Elementary
- February 24 – Erving Elementary
- March 16 – Leverett Elementary
- May 18 – Erving Elementary

Come Join Us!

We are offering a parent facilitated group for all parents/guardians living in Erving, Leverett, New Salem, Shutesbury and Wendell who would like support in managing day to day with their young children. Does your child have a diagnosed or un-diagnosed special need? Do you find it challenging to find someone you can talk to who understands what you are going through? Take part in discussions and get connected!

This group will be designed to focus around the needs of the child/family in the home environment. We will connect to provide informational resources and emotional support and networking. Families with children not yet in school and in elementary school are welcome.

If you have questions please use the following Union #28 Contacts:

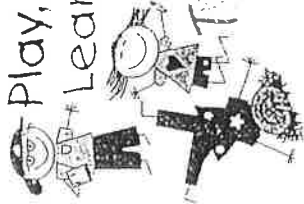
- o SEPAC Parent Contact, Erica Wise spryngtree@yahoo.com / 413-367-9771
- o CNC Program Coordinator, Gillian Budine Budine@erving.com / 978-544-5157
- o Director of Student Support Services, Prudence Marsh marsh@erving.com / 413-423-3331

Preregistration required if child care is needed.

Please contact Gillian, CNC Coordinator, at 978-544-5157 with the following information:

- Name and phone #
- If you need child care (MUST respond with the following info if you are using child care)
 - o Age(s) of child(ren), # of child(ren), if there are special considerations for child care. We try our best, but at times may not be able to meet all needs due to staffing.

Supported with funds from the CFCE grant through the Department of Early Education and Care and the Union #28 Special Education Parent Advisory Council.



Play,
Learn
and
Grow...
together!

Union #28 Schools
Community Network for Children
PROGRAM SCHEDULE
September 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016



Call 978-544-5157 for more info or find us on

All programs suitable for newborns through preschool age.

Combination of free play, music, movement, books, and nursery rhymes at all programs!

Come join us!

	MONDAY Shutesbury TALES & TUNES 9:30 to 11:00am Katie T.	TUESDAY New Salem PLAYGROUP 8:45 to 10:15am Emily J.	WEDNESDAY Erving PLAYGROUP 10:00 to 11:30am Emily J.	WEDNESDAY Wendell PLAYGROUP 10:00 to 11:30am Sylvia W.	WEDNESDAY Leverett TALES & TUNES 10:30 to 12:00am Heleen C.	FRIDAY Shutesbury PLAYGROUP 9:00-10:30am Gillian & Joie	SUNDAY Erving Family Playtime 10:00-11:30 Gillian & Joie
SEPT	14, 21, 28	15, 22, 29	16, 23, 30	9, 16, 23, 30	9, 16, 23, 30	18, 25	20
OCT	5, 19, 26	6, 13, 20, 27	7, 14, 21, 28	7, 14, 21, 28	7, 14, 21, 28	2, 9, 16, 30	18
NOV	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	3, 10, 17, 24	4, 18	4, 18	4, 18	6, 13, 20	22
DEC	7, 14, 21	1, 8, 15, 22	2, 9, 16	2, 9, 16	2, 9, 16	NONE	13
JAN	4, 11, 25	5, 12, 19, 26	6, 13, 20, 27	6, 13, 20, 27	6, 13, 20, 27	8, 15, 22, 29	24
FEB	1, 8, 22, 29	2, 9, 23	3, 10, 24	3, 10, 17, 24	3, 10, 17, 24	5, 12, 26	28
MARCH	7, 14, 21, 28	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	2, 9, 16, 23, 30	4, 11, 18, 25	20
APRIL	4, 11, 25	5, 12, 26	27	6, 13, 20, 27	6, 13, 20, 27	1, 8, 15, 29	10
MAY	2, 9, 16, 23	3, 10, 17, 24, 31	4, 11, 18, 25	4, 11, 18, 25	4, 11, 18, 25	13, 20, 27	22
JUNE	6, 13, 20, 27	7	1, 8	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	1, 8, 15, 22, 29	NONE	5
	M.N. Spear Memorial Library 10 Cooleyville Rd Shutesbury, MA 413-259-1213	Swift River School 201 Wendell Road New Salem, MA 978-544-5157 (CNC Office #)	Erving Elementary School 28 Northfield Road Erving, MA 413-423-3326	Wendell Library 7 Wendell Depot Rd Wendell, MA 978-544-3559	Leverett Library 75 Montague Road Leverett, MA 413-548-9220	Shutesbury Elementary School 23 West Pelham Road Shutesbury, MA 413-259-1212	

Please note: Ongoing programs may not occur during school vacations or holidays. Please check the schedule! If inclement weather is a concern, call the CNC office for message/update, check Facebook or the CNC website for info.



These programs are supported in part by grant funds from The Massachusetts Department of Early Education.

These programs are also supported by the Friends of the M.N. Spear Memorial Library, Friends of the Leverett Library, Friends of the Wendell Free Library, Shutesbury Elementary School, Erving Elementary School, Swift River School, and donations from friends in the community.

8/14/2015



Community Eligibility Provision

An Amazing New Opportunity

The new Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) allows schools to:

- Offer both breakfast and lunch at no charge to all students at participating schools
- Eliminate the traditional school meal application process
- Increase participation in the school nutrition programs

Community eligibility is a win-win for schools and students by ensuring that children have access to healthy food at school. It reduces administrative costs and allows schools to focus more on learning.

“Community eligibility” will be available to your child(ren) at Erving Elementary School



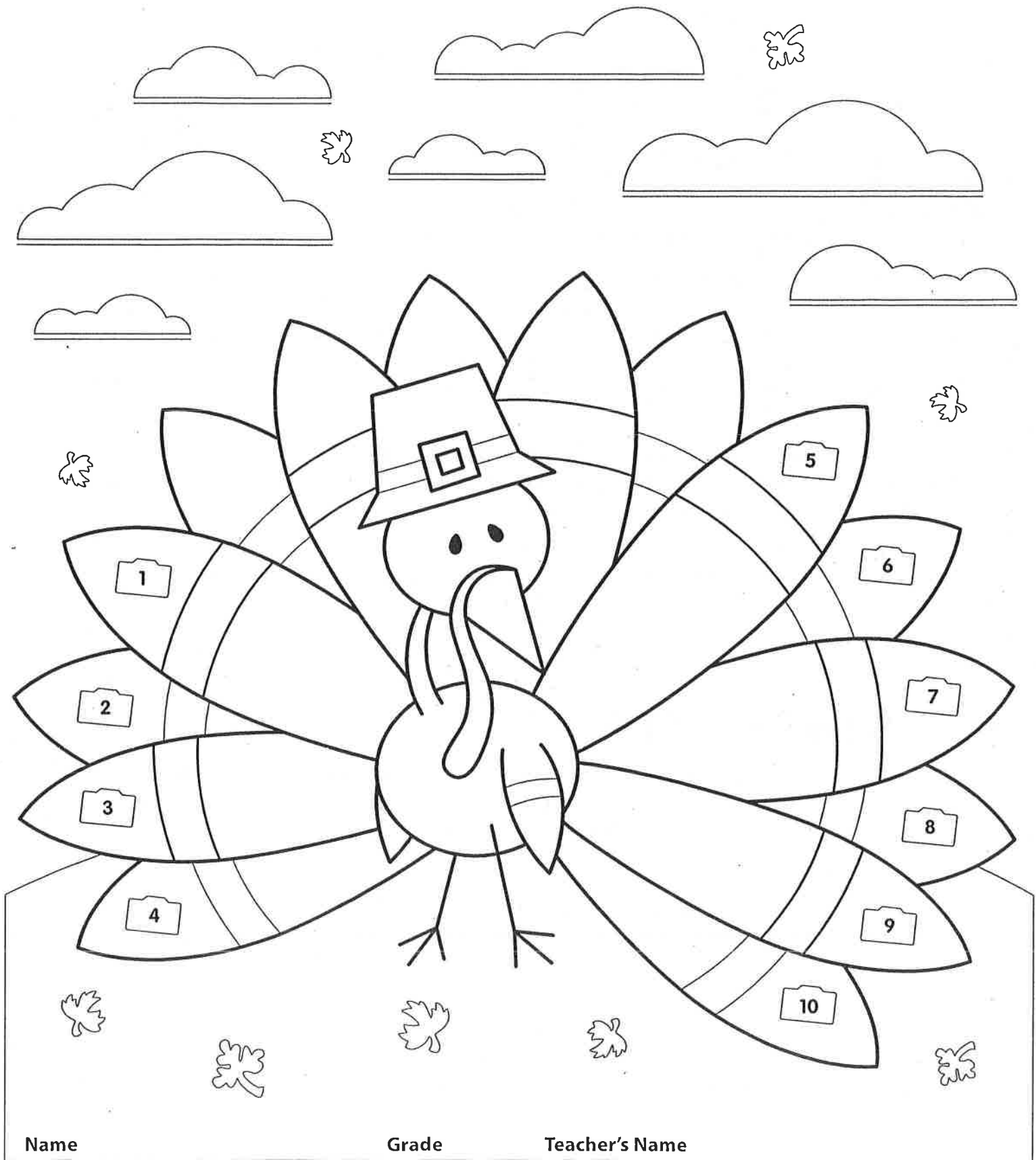
Benefits of CEP

- You can rest assured that your child(ren) are getting two healthy, nutrient-dense meals a day at school.
- No need to worry about the financial burden of your child(ren) eating at school.
- No need to fill out a school meal application or paperwork to sign up! All children eat free automatically.
- Your child(ren) have access to healthy nutritious meals every day.

Adapted from the Food Research and Action Center's FRAC Facts: Community Eligibility Provision, An Amazing Opportunity.



It's turkey time! Show your school how thankful you are with 10 Box Tops.



Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school.
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