



# Cougar Connection

## KEITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**School Hours**  
 8:45 am - 4:00 pm  
 Doors open: 8:30 am  
 281-213-1744



Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
1	2 <i>Food Drive Starts</i>	3 <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Garden Lesson Keith GT Showcase 5:30</i>	4	5 <i>Mad for Plaid! Wear plaid today. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Nature Trails</i>	6 <i>5<sup>th</sup> Grade Nature Trails PTO Whoville 6-8</i>	7
8 <i>Early Registration Ends for Candy Cane Fun Run</i>	9 <i>Spelling Bee 9:15</i>	10 <i>Wear your favorite Scarf 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Holiday Program (6 &amp; 7)</i>	11 <i>Wear a Holiday Headband, Bow or Festive Hat</i>	12 <i>Wear Holiday Socks</i>	13 <i>Food Drive Ends</i>	14
15	16	17 <i>5<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir Concert (6:30)</i>	18	19 <i>Winter PJ day! Wear pajamas today 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip (no PJ's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade)</i>	20 <i>Holiday Parties</i>	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
<i>Winter Break</i>						
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**Important information regarding Student Holiday Parties:**

Parents are strongly encouraged to RSVP in order to avoid waiting in line for a visitor sticker on the day of the event. Be sure to check your email the 1<sup>st</sup> week in December for instructions.

**Schedule of Events on December 20:**

9:30 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Gingerbread House Decorating

10:15-10:45 Student Holiday Parties



## Upcoming Events...

1/6 Return to school

1/10 Spirit Shop

1/14 Willies Spirit Night

1/20 Student/Staff Holiday

1/27 Horizon Showcase (Berry Center)

1/31 Father/Daughter Dance (Berry Center)

## The Marquee is Operational!

Hopefully you have noticed our fancy new marquee. This purchase was a collaborative fundraising effort between PTO, parents, community members and our dedicated staff. We want to take this opportunity to give a big SHOUTOUT to our Cougar family. Coming soon, look for the opportunity to display your child's birthday on the new marquee.

### Credit-by-exam

Students in grades K-5 will have four opportunities during the school year to use "credit-by-exam" to accelerate to another grade level. Students will have one opportunity to test for each grade level considered.

To apply to have your child take the test or for more information regarding credit-by-exam, please contact our school counselor, Nicole Carroll at 281-213-1750 or [nicole.carroll@cfisd.net](mailto:nicole.carroll@cfisd.net)

## Keith Student Council is sponsoring a Canned Food Drive

Benefitting



When: December 2<sup>nd</sup> -13<sup>th</sup>

Items to donate: (\*Pop-top cans preferred)

Family Sized Jelly

Canned Chili\*

Canned Beans\* (except green beans)

Canned/pouch tuna\*

Canned pasta sauce\*

Cypress Helping hands is a non-profit organization that assists the homeless of the Cypress area. Please visit [cyfairhelpinghands.org](http://cyfairhelpinghands.org) to discover the many ways they support our community.

As a bonus, the grade level that collects the **MOST** items will get to **Silly String the AP and Counselor!!**

## ANGEL TREE

Please take a paper ornament from the tree in the office and help us share in the spirit of giving this season! Keith Elementary and Frazier Elementary are working together to give less fortunate students and their families some Christmas JOY!

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS** that are helpful for distribution:

1. Please complete slip of paper and place in box on the table next to the tree.
2. **ATTACH AND RETURN** your paper ornament with the item(s) so that we can assure the correct family receives it.
3. Please make sure all gifts are new and **UNWRAPPED**.
4. No gift receipts necessary
5. Deliver unwrapped gifts with ornament attached to the office by **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**.

**THANK YOU** for sharing in this special opportunity!

Games  
Card Crafts  
(PG) Movie on the Lawn  
Food, Drinks & Treats

5th Grade Bake Sale

# Come and Celebrate The Who-lidays with Keith PTO

Date: December 6th  
Time: 6pm - 8pm

Special guest appearances  
and lots of Whoville fun!

\$10 per person  
\$35 Family of 4  
(Dinner & Activities included)

**KEITH  
PTO**  
ELEMENTARY  
NEWS!

**Looking Ahead:**  
January 16<sup>th</sup> – 6pm PTO General Meeting  
January 31<sup>st</sup> – Daddy Daughter Dance at  
the Berry Center from 6-9pm

**Keith Cougars**  
Scan to volunteer!

We're always looking for volunteers.  
Check ToolKit for opportunities.

## Candy Cane Fun Run January 11, 2020

5k fun run & walk to support  
Ault PTO-Swenke PTO- Keith PTO  
Salyards Middle School

fun starts at 8 am with  
bounce houses and vendors  
race starts at 9am  
early registration ends Dec 8

13 & under~ \$20  
adults~ \$30

medals for male/female in each age group

contact Courtney Jasso @  
ccfrsponsor@gmail.com to become  
a sponsor

dress up in your best  
candy cane gear

**Candycanefunrun.com**

Keith Elementary PTO

Facebook: @KeithElemPTO  
Twitter: @KeithElemPTO  
Instagram: @KeithElemPTO

**remind** Text:

(K) @KPTOKG (1<sup>st</sup>) @KPTO1G  
(2<sup>nd</sup>) @KPTO2G (3<sup>rd</sup>) @KPTO3G  
(4<sup>th</sup>) @KPTO4G (5<sup>th</sup>) @KPTO5G  
To: 81010

Simple Contributions that make a Big Impact

**amazon smile** Use smile.amazon.com!  
Select Keith Elementary PTO as your organization  
Keith gets .5%!

**community rewards** Link your Kroger Card to  
Keith for Kroger rewards!

**NO MORE CLIPPING BOX TOPS** Clip or Scan  
your Box Tops!

Yearbooks are on sale!  
www.balfour.com  
Search: Keith Elementary  
School Cypress, TX

**ORDER YOUR  
YEARBOOK  
TODAY**



**At Keith we are working hard on improving our attendance rate for the 19-20 school year. Every minute is important!**

**1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but...**

<b>If your child misses...</b>	<b>That equals...</b>	<b>Which is...</b>	<b>And over 13 years of schooling that's...</b>
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

**How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child.**

<b>He/she is only missing just...</b>	<b>That equals...</b>	<b>Which is...</b>	<b>And over 13 years of schooling that's...</b>
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year
20 minutes per day	1 hr. 40 mins per week	Over 2 ½ Weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 minutes per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years

