

**TO: TAVELLI PARENTS**  
**FROM: MS. CHRISTINE HENDRICKS, PRINCIPAL/LINDA FOREMAN, OFFICE 488-6725**  
**DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017**  
**SUBJECT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS and DATES**

**PARENTS, PLEASE REMEMBER THERE IS NO SCHOOL FOR K-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup> DUE TO A STAFF COLLABORATION DAY. ENJOY THE LONG WEEKEND!**

### **Tavelli Important Dates to Remember:**

Sept. 28	Dream Team Tutor Applications Due 🐾
Sept. 28	Tavelli Spirit Day—Hat Day
Sept. 28	Deadline to order Tavelli Spirit Gear Online
Sept. 29	No School for Elementary and Middle School Students, Staff Collaboration Day
Oct. 5 & 6	Dream Team Tutor Training, 7:45 a.m., Tavelli gym 🐾
Oct. 5	Odyssey of the Mind Information Night, 6:00 p.m., Science Lab 🐾
Oct. 6	Tiger Fit Walkathon 🐾 🦋
Oct. 12	Dream Team Skate Party, 5:00-8:00 p.m., Rollerland \$5.25 admission \$2.75 skate rentals
Oct. 19	Parent-Teacher Conferences, No School for Elementary Students
Oct. 20	No School for K-12 PSD Students

🦋 Denotes a Wellness Event

🐾 Denotes a PTO Sponsored/Volunteer Opportunity or Funded Event

**1. THE TIGER FIT WALKATHON IS OCTOBER 6!!** This is a great day of fun and wellness for all Tavelli Tigers and it is also your PTO's biggest fundraiser of the year! The money raised for this awesome event helps fund field trips, fun clubs & family events and valuable classroom resources! Help us reach our fundraising goal of \$20,000 to give back to our beautiful school and all of our kids! Don't forget you can also donate online at: [www.pto.tavellielementary.org](http://www.pto.tavellielementary.org) GO TIGERS! 🐾 🦋

**2. PSD October Count is Underway! -- What is the importance of October Count? --** October Count is very important. This is what is used to calculate the funding that is received by the schools and by the district. Funding helps pay for teachers, support staff, books, supplies and many of the programs the school offers. **October Count runs Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> – Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.** A student must establish attendance to be included in the count so it is very important kids are here during the 2 week count period. If the student is absent on the official count day, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, attendance from the previous week and the following week are used to meet the attendance requirement.

**3. Odyssey of the Mind** is a STEAM, extra-curricular, creative, problem-solving program for children. In the process of solving their problem, children learn to think outside-the-box, work together to develop unique solutions, and present their solution in an 8-minute performance. Attend an **Information Night on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** in the Tavelli Science/Engineering Lab to learn more. Watch for a registration form arriving in your child's Thursday Folder in October. 🐾

**4. Join Your Kids at the Walkathon and Volunteer at the Same Time!** Follow this link to register and give one hour of your time to our biggest event! [Walkathon volunteer sign up link](#) 🐾 🦋

**5. A Few Reminders for Parents** – a) If your child is absent from school, please call our attendance line at 488-6726 to let us know your child will be out of school for the day. The office needs daily notification of any absence. In case of extended absences, please let us know when your child will return. b) If your child will be changing after school dismissal plans, please be sure to send a note or give the office a call to explain the change. c) If you need to pick up your child early, please be sure to stop at the office to sign your child out. d) Students should not arrive at school before 8:35 a.m. The first bell rings at 8:50 a.m. Thank you.

**6. Safety First!** -- For the safety of our children we ask that you enter the building at the main entrance. Please stop by the office, sign in and get a visitor's badge. Teachers will be checking for badges and asking you to return to the office to sign in and put on a badge. Again, this is for the protection of our children so we know who is in our building. Thank you for your cooperation.

**7. Eat Lunch With Your Students!** – Tavelli welcomes any visitor who would like to eat with their child during their lunch time. If you are eating in the cafeteria with just your child, you may use the back table in the cafeteria for that purpose. If you are eating with your child and some friends, we ask that you eat with the classroom group. If you wish to take your child outside for a picnic lunch in our nature area, please let the lunchroom attendant know that you will be taking your child outside. We can only allow parents to take their own children out of the building for lunch. Thank you for your help! Lunch money can be loaded onto each student's account, or parents can apply for free/reduced meal benefits.

**8. Check Your Student's Lunch Account** – If your student is purchasing hot lunch, please make sure to check the lunch balance periodically. This can be done on the psdschools.org website, go to the programs and services tab then to school meals. Payments can be made online with a credit card. It is also possible to sign up for free and reduced meals on this same website. Applications for meal benefits must be renewed yearly.

**9. Box Tops For Education** – Please remember to bring your General Mills Box Tops for Education in to the office. Tavelli collects 10 cents for every box top turned in. Please continue to save throughout the year and drop them by the office. Thank you for supporting our PTO programs. 🐾

**10. Volunteers at Tavelli** – All Poudre School District volunteers are required to register or update their profile at the PSD website to volunteer at Tavelli or any other school in the district. Any unregistered volunteers or those not cleared by the District will not be allowed in the classrooms or on field trips. Please make sure to go online to psdschools.org and follow the directions to register as a volunteer. Don't have access to the web? We can get you registered here at school, just stop in at the office and we can help you get this done. 🐾



Please visit the Tavelli Website <https://tav.pdschools.org/>