

SSE THURSDAY FOLDER

UPCOMING EVENTS

8/18	New Family Welcome Breakfast
8/24.....	3rd Grade Parent Orientation UIL Registration Opens
9/4	Student & Staff Holiday
9/14	Parent Orientation: 1st-2nd & 4th-5th UIL Registration Closes PTA General Meeting Subs-R-Us Training
9/20-21	Fall Individual Pictures (Lifetouch)
9/27-29	5th Grade to Camp Champions

CLICK HERE to pay for SSES Activity Fees -- these are used to pay for field trip entry fees, buses, and special events held on and off campus.





SUBS-R-US TRAININGS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Parents may attend any session that fits your schedule and Assistant Principals will share contact information with the appropriate school.

CYPRESS SPRINGS ELEMENTARY

September 19th @ 9am

DRIPPING SPRINGS ELEMENTARY

September 19th after PTA meeting

ROOSTER SPRINGS ELEMENTARY

September 7th after Principal's Coffee

SYCAMORE SPRINGS ELEMENTARY







September 14th after PTA meeting

WALNUT SPRINGS ELEMENTARY

August 25th at 9:30am

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2nd	Dotson	Stotts	D. Smith	S. Smith	Arboleda	Johnson
3rd	Kirk	Nasenbeny	Blackmon	Irons	Duster	Wright
4th	Gale	Fullen	Bingham	Andren		Douglass
5th	Murphy	Zimmerman	Patrick	Wallis	Kimbrell	Bise

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****Class shirts are worn on field trips and various events throughout the year. Each class in a grade level has a different color to help easily identify classes and teachers. Purchasing is not required, but if you'd like to order one, the deadline to buy is 9/1! Visit [ssespta.org](https://www.ssespta.org) to order!**

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More Information

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Dripping Springs

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State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness

2023 STAAR results are now available in Family Access. To access the results, log in to Family Access, click on DISTRICT LINKS (upper right-hand corner), and STAAR ASSESSMENT(student name).

If you are unable to access your child's results, please contact Dr. Rhonda Whitman, Director of Assessment, Accountability, & Federal Programs, at rhonda.whitman@dsisdtx.us.

Thank you for your partnership in your student's education.



Challenge Yourself with

The University Interscholastic League (UIL) offers a variety of academic contests that provide challenges and opportunities for students to reach greater levels of achievement. The initials, UIL, have come to represent quality educational competition!

UIL is open to any 2nd-5th grade student who is willing to commit to weekly coaching and possibly some outside study time. You can learn more about our program on the [DSISD UIL website](#). Best of all, it's FREE! Click here to [REGISTER](#) now!

PRACTICE AND EVENTS DATES FOR ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TUESDAYS from 3:15 - 4:00

<i>All students will practice on:</i>	<u>Qualifying</u> students will continue to practice for the District Contest on:
September 19	October 24
September 26	November 7
October 3	November 14
October 10	November 28
<u>Campus Contest</u> October 17	<u>District Contest</u> Saturday, December 2

2023 EVENTS

Creative Writing Grade 2

Students are given several pictures from which to choose. They then create an original story based on their selections. Students have 30 minutes to complete their writing. This event encourages writing skills and creativity in an academic format.

Storytelling Grades 2-3

Students are read a brief story and have to retell it in their own words before a panel of judges. The students are coached to use facial expressions, vocal variety, originality, gestures, articulation, and enthusiasm.

Chess Puzzles Grades 2-5

Chess puzzles is very different from tournament chess play. Contestants receive a paper/pencil test that includes a series of chess boards with pieces in particular positions. The contestant must then determine the fewest moves to checkmate given that particular layout.

Students should already know how to play chess before choosing this event.

UIL EVENTS Continued

Music Memory Grades 2-5

Music Memory is an in-depth study of fine music taken from a wide spectrum of genres. In the course of preparing for the contest, students will be given the opportunity to describe and analyze the music, relate the music to history, society, and culture, and to evaluate musical performance. During the event, students will listen to short clips of music and have to identify the name of the work, selection, and composer. Memorization and spelling are key to success in this event.

Spelling Grades 3-5

This contest is designed to give students exposure to a wide variety of vocabulary words. Students will study a list of pre-selected words and learn to spell proficiently, write clearly, and capitalize words properly. Preparation will include instruction in the rules of the English language, meanings, definitions, and root words.

Ready Writing Grades 3-5

This event helps students to learn to write clearly and correctly. Contestants are given a choice between two prompts, which define the audience, and provide the purpose for writing. Students will be encouraged to analyze the prompts for the purpose of writing, the format, the audience, and the point of view.

Number Sense Grades 4-5

Students will be coached to make quick mental calculations using various strategies. Concepts covered include but are not limited to addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, proportions, and the use of mathematical notation. For the contest, students will be given a 10-minute, fill-in-the-blank test which they must complete without doing any calculations on paper or on a calculator.

Oral Reading Grades 4-5

Reading literature out loud provides opportunities for students to analyze texts, to grow and to develop as a performer, communicate a message to an audience, and to perform. Students will read a selection of poetry. Each selection may be one poem, a cutting of a poem, or a combination of poems, from published poets.

Maps, Graphs, and Charts Grade 5

The maps, graphs, & charts contest is designed to help students learn to get information from a variety of maps, graphs, and charts including world maps, pie charts, bar graphs, and local area maps. The objective test will measure skills such as using a reference book to locate information, make comparisons, estimate, and approximate, using a scale, and interpreting grid systems, legends, and keys.

Students will participate in UIL based on their current instructional level. For example, a 3rd grader who takes math acceleration in a 4th-grade class will compete on a 4th-grade level in Number Sense.

Questions? Contact a campus coordinator:	CSES: Caitlan Crofts or Alyssa Schroeder	DSES: Britney Hamilton or Ashley Graham
RSES: Sarah Apple	SSES: Natalie Lyle	WSES: Gay Klassen

Registration is open from August 24th - September 14th
[CLICK HERE](#) to Register for UIL

PICTURE DAY IS COMING!

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Wednesday, September 20, 2023

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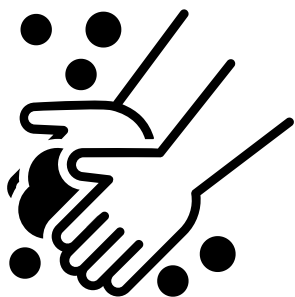
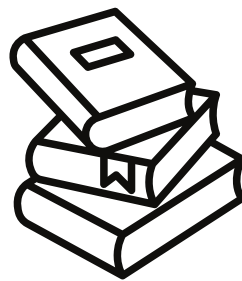
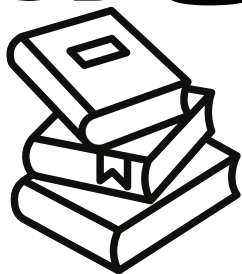


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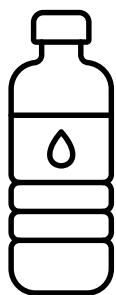
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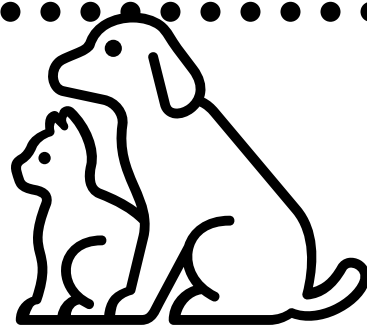
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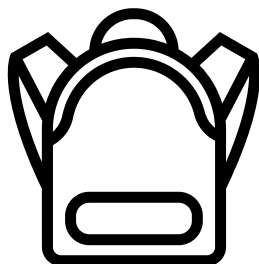
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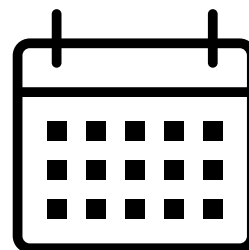
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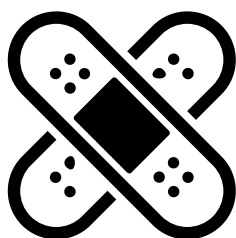
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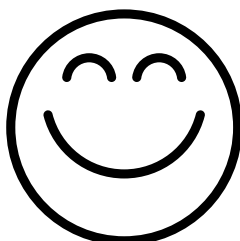
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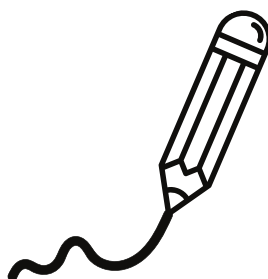
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