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## Kernan Elementary

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### Vision

Our vision is to track our progress, become lifelong learners, and celebrate success by accomplishing our goals one paw print at a time!

### Mission

Kernan Elementary School will provide a quality education for a diverse student population in a peaceful and positive working environment. Students will continue to use their reasoning, literacy, mathematical, and technical skills to become lifelong learners and productive

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- November 7.... Superintendent's Day—NO SCHOOL
- November 9....End of Marking Period 1
- November 10....Veterans' Day—NO SCHOOL
- November 13-17.....American Education Week
- November 21..Go Home Early Drill—Dismissal 15 min. early
- November 22-24.....Thanksgiving Recess—NO SCHOOL

## Message from Mr. Timpano:

Parent Teacher Conferences will be starting. Teachers will be reaching out to you to set up conference dates and times. These meetings are important for discussing your child's strengths and challenges. We look forward to seeing you there!

Marking Period One ends on November 9 and report cards will be mailed home prior to Thanksgiving Recess.

Our character strength for November is Bravery. Bravery means you act with strength even when things are difficult or scary. Bravery is finding the courage to try new things even if you are scared. Finding strength to overcome our fears is an important part of growing up. A person can be brave every single day. These are such important characteristics for our children to practice and learn. Thank you for reinforcing our mega-skills at home. Ask your students about our PBIS program and earning Kernan Cash at school for great behavior, being honest and following school rules.