



April



Autism Awareness Month

Dr. Gilbert L. Porter Elementary 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2	3	4
	<p>PTA RIVER ROCK FUNDRAISER BEGINS</p>	<p>ASD Awareness Wear Blue</p> <p>Report Card available on the Portal</p>	<p>FAST Writing Grades Fourth & fifth</p>	<p>Fifth Grade Field Trip</p>
7	8	9	10	11
		<p>EESAC Meeting</p>	<p>Vision Screening</p>	<p>Vision Screening</p> <p>SHAVED ICE SALE</p> <p>PTA Dominos with Dad</p>
14	15	16	17	18
<p>First Grade Field Trip</p> <p>FAST Testing for Grades PreK-Second Windows Begins</p>			<p>Purple-Up Day</p> <p>Wear Purple in support of military children</p>	<p>NO SCHOOL TEACHER PLANNING DAY</p>
21	22	23	24	25
<p>Honor Roll Assembly Grades Kinder-Second</p> <p>PTA RIVER ROCK FUNDRAISER ENDS</p>	<p>Parent Workshop Topic: Test Anxiety 9:00 AM</p> <p>EARTH DAY WEAR GREEN</p> <p>PLC EARTH DAY VOCABULARY PARADE</p>	<p>Honor Roll Assembly Grades Third-Fifth</p>	<p>Take Your Child to Work Grades Second-Fifth</p>	
28	29	30		
	<p>First Grade STEAM Showcase 2:00-3:00PM</p>	<p>SPRING CONCERT 6:30PM</p>		



Porter Headlines

Principal's Message

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable Spring Break! I want to take a moment to highlight some outstanding accomplishments that showcase the dedication and talent of our teachers and students.

Our robotics team secured the state championship title, demonstrating exceptional skill and teamwork. A big thank you to Ms. Florez and Ms. Bilton for their time and dedication in coaching these students. Additionally, Ms. Florez was recognized as Robotics Coach of the Year for her outstanding mentorship and leadership.

Our Chess Club also made us proud by taking home first place in The ChessThink Initiative South Region Tournament.

Also, last month, Ms. Vega, our devoted second-grade teacher, was honored as Teacher of the Month by 97.3 Radio Station for her unwavering commitment to education. Her passion for teaching continues to inspire both students and colleagues.

Congratulations to all on these well-deserved achievements!

As we step into April, we have several important events to look forward to.

Autism Awareness Month

April is Autism Awareness Month, a time to celebrate and support individuals with autism. We encourage our school community to learn more about autism and foster an inclusive environment where every student feels valued and understood.

No School - April 18

Please note that there will be no school on Friday, April 18, due to a Teacher Planning Day.

Honor Roll Assemblies

We are so proud of our hardworking students! Our Honor Roll Assemblies will be held on the following dates:

April 21 - Kindergarten through 2nd Grade

April 23 - 3rd through 5th Grade

We look forward to celebrating our students' achievements!

Earth Day April 22nd

In honor of Earth Day, we encourage all students and staff to wear green on April 22 to show their support for environmental awareness and sustainability.

Take Your Child to Work Day - April 24

Take Your Child to Work Day is on April 24. This is a great opportunity for students in grades second-fifth to experience different career paths and learn more about the working world.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school a wonderful place for learning and growth.

Wishing everyone a fantastic month ahead!

Sincerely,

Jesus Gonzalez

Principal

PTA NEWS

GLP families, we sincerely appreciate your support in making our chocolate sale a huge success! A special shoutout to Matias Suarez, who set a world record by selling an amazing 101 boxes—what an incredible achievement!

This month, we also hosted our first Bingo Night, where three lucky winners took home some delicious pies. We're excited to continue bringing our community together with more fun events and fundraisers!

Looking ahead, our next fundraiser kicks off in April. Our ****Nifty Fifty****. All proceeds go directly back to supporting our students and school.

Thank you again, we couldn't do this without you!

GLP-PTA



Testing Tips

- Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep before the test.
- Provide them with a nutritious breakfast on the day of testing.
- Ensure that your child is **PRESENT** and **ARRIVES ON TIME** for testing (children generally perform better when taking tests with their peers rather than at a makeup time).
- Don't forget to offer your child positive encouragement during test time.