



November 8, 2019

## TEECs Newsletter

150 Pierce Street, Franklin Township, NJ 08873

### Congratulations Team!



This weekend, the TEECS MathCounts Team won 3rd place at Princeton University in a Math Competition!



The items in the school's Lost and Found will be donated November 13th.

*The last day for parents to go through the clothing bin will be Tuesday November 12th.*

Parents are able to search the Lost and Found bin in the Gym during arrival and dismissal.

### IMPORTANT DATES

November PTO Meeting  
6 pm in Cafeteria

**November 12, 2019**

K-6 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter  
Awards Ceremony

**November 14, 2019**

**8:30 am**

Picture Day Makeups

**November 19, 2019**

Early Dismissal  
*No Extended Care*

**November 27, 2019**

School Closed  
*Thanksgiving*  
**November 28 - 29, 2019**

PTO Holiday Shop  
**December 2 - 6, 2019**

PTO Cookies with Santa  
**December 6, 2019**

Book Fair  
**December 9 - 13, 2019**

Early Dismissal  
**December 12, 2019**

# TEECs' stars



On Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>, Anika Parthiban (Grade 8) organized a program at the "Care One" Senior Center in Edison, NJ. She asked some of her friends from her dance school to perform. There were 17 kids and the performances

lasted more than an hour. The seniors were very happy to see all the kids and their performances.



On Sunday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, Akshat Parthiban (Grade 11) organized a program at the "Regency Jewish Heritage" senior center in Somerset, NJ. There were 15 kids and the performances were taken from the TEECS Diwali event from our school.

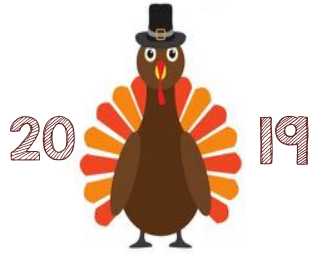
The seniors were very happy to be a part of the celebration.

Aryan Kutty & Arvin Kutty participated in 3 events at the 'Garden State Korean Classic - All Korean Martial Arts' tournament held in West Windsor, New Jersey, on November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019. Aryan placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Breaking and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Forms. Arvin placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Breaking, 1<sup>st</sup> in Sparring and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Forms





THANKSGIVING  
FOOD DRIVE



November 4<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup>

All cans, boxes and non-perishable food items will be collected in the main lobby. Donations will go to the local food bank.



VISIT OUR SCHOOL STORE:

<https://www.teecs.org/shop/>

High School  
Mischievous  
Night



On October 30<sup>th</sup>, High School students held their first Mischief Night Party. It was a HUGE SUCCESS! Most of the students who attended paid in advance and only a few people paid at the door. Students gathered in the Halloween-decorated Learning Center for the event. As soon as the guests arrived the music started and the fun began. Everyone was dancing and enjoying each other's company. Overall, the party was amazing and everyone was sad it ended. The students are excited to have more events like this one.

## Green Tip of the Week!

### Replace Disposables:

Wherever possible, replace disposable products with reusable ones (i.e., razor, food storage, batteries, ink cartridges (buy refill ink), coffee filters, furnace or air conditioner filters, etc.).



## TREX® Recycling Challenge!

TEECS Green Team has joined in the TREX Recycling Challenge 2019. The TREX Company has hosted the Recycling Challenge since 2006, intending to educate students on the importance of plastic film recycling through a school recycling program.

The challenge runs from November 15 to April 15 each year, by collecting and recycling plastic bags/films. Participating schools compete against other schools of similar size to recycle the most plastic film, and the winning school is awarded a TREX bench.

Our success is in your hands! We need your support in supplying us with the recycling materials listed below. You can help us by collecting all these materials at your home and send it to school with your child once a week or whenever a bag is full of the materials. You can also bring the materials on your way to school for pick up or drop off your child. Soon we will place a collection bin outside the Gym for you to drop off the collected recycle materials.

### What can be recycled?

*All plastic must be clean, dry and free of food residue*



Grocery bags



Bread bags



Bubble wrap



Dry cleaning bags



Newspaper sleeves



Ice bags



Plastic shipping envelopes



Ziploc & other reclosable food storage bags



Cereal bags



Case overwrap



Salt bags



Pallet wrap & stretch film



Wood pellet bags



Produce bags

# NexTrex

plastic film recycling challenge  
info sheet

SCHOOL  
PROGRAM



# GREEN CORNER

## 1 How does the challenge work?

Schools compete against other schools in their category to collect the most plastic film.

A school volunteer weighs and keeps record of the amount of

film recycled each month. (On average a 30-gallon trash bag will hold about 650 plastic bags and weigh 8 lbs.)

A school volunteer takes the collected plastic to a

participating retailer (see list) for recycling.

Report collection amounts monthly to: [mytrex.com](http://mytrex.com).

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### Elementary schools compete by state and student enrollment

- Great Plains Region: IA, IL, IN, KS, MI, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, WI
- Mid-Atlantic Region: DC, DE, KY, MD, OH, VA, WV
- Northeast Region: CT, MA, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
- Southeast Region: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, TN
- Southwest Region: AR, LA, NM, OK, TX
- Northwest Region: CO, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY
- West Coast Region: AZ, CA, NV, UT

### Enrollment:

- 0-350 • 351-500 • 501-600 • 601-800 • 801-1000 • < 1101

### Middle and high schools compete nationally (no regions)

Middle school and high school enrollment categories:

- 0-500 • 501-800 • 801-1000
- 1001-1500 • >1501

## 2 What does Trex provide?

- Three recycling bins
- Magnets for each student
- One poster
- Award

## 3 Awards

- First-place winners receive a Trex bench.
- Each school receives a participation award made from Trex materials.

# Volunteers Needed!



We are looking for any parents that are willing to dedicate some extra time to help with some of our Green Initiatives. Those interested can contact Mrs. Allison ([jallison@energysmartschool.org](mailto:jallison@energysmartschool.org)) or Mrs. Hascup ([dhascup@energysmartschool.org](mailto:dhascup@energysmartschool.org))

Meatless Monday is an international campaign that encourages people to not eat meat on Mondays to improve their health and the health of our planet.

If you bring your own lunch - try participating in Meatless Monday at least once throughout the month!





Please join the PTO  
on Facebook at  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/teecspto/>



Copy and paste the URL:

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*Purchase your own spirit wear to show your tiger pride! All orders must be sent through the link above.*

A calendar for the PTO meetings and events for October and November. The calendar is decorated with autumn leaves and a 'SPONSORS WELCOME' sign. On the left, there are logos for sponsors: California Pizza Kitchen, Box Tops for Education, Amazon Smile, MyCokeRewards for Schools, ShopRite For My School, and ShopWithScrip. The calendar lists the following events:

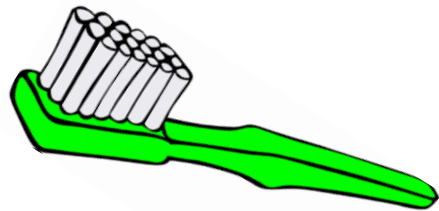
- PTO Meeting - 10/15
- Candy Money due 10/17
- TEEC'S DIWALI Celebration 10/25
- Thank you to: Neha Pallikonda, Priya Parthiban, Priya Mohandas, Punam Patel, Soniya Vallikanth
- Next Pto Meeting - 11/12
- Dine-out 11/7 California Kitchen Bridgewater
- Bowlero Bowling Event 11/17 11am - 12:30pm

Dear Families of TEECS Students,

Our Community Service Club will be partnering with the organization Donate a Toothbrush (DAT). Their mission is to donate toothbrushes to children and adults in third world countries to improve their dental hygiene. We are asking you to send in new toothbrushes to donate to this organization. Please send them in with your children by Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> 2019. For more information, please visit [www.donateAtoothbrush.com](http://www.donateAtoothbrush.com). If you have any questions please reach out to the club advisor Ms. Krane at [lkrane@energysmartschool.org](mailto:lkrane@energysmartschool.org).

Thank you,

The Community Service Club





# FOOD FRENZY

COME OUT FOR  
AN AFTERNOON  
OF FUN WHERE YOU  
CAN LEARN COOL  
RECIPES AND FACTS  
ON NUTRITION!

NOVEMBER 23, 2019

1 - 3 PM

AGES: 5 - 10

LOCATION: FRANKLIN SENIOR CENTER  
505 DEMOTT LANE

\$3 WHEN YOU PREREGISTER

\$5 AT THE DOOR

Register at [www.franklintwpnj.org/nec](http://www.franklintwpnj.org/nec)

MAKING HEALTHY FUN!



\*\*\*We will ONLY be catering to nut allergies



# **VETERAN'S DAY PROGRAM**



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2019**



Franklin Township Municipal Complex  
475 DeMott Lane, Somerset NJ 08873

10:30am—11:15am

For more information contact  
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