

Annsworth Academy November 2025 Newsletter

School Closed – Annsworth will be closed Tuesday, November 11th for Veterans Day and Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

For the Winter Holiday, Annsworth will be closed Wednesday, December 24th through Thursday, January 1st. School will resume on Friday, January 2nd. Pre-K families please note that Monday, Dec. 22nd, Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, and Friday Jan. 2nd are Non-VPK days.

Tree House Food Drive – Our food drive to collect non-perishable food items for the Tree House Shelter's pantry starts Monday, November 3rd. The last day to donate to the food drive will be Thursday, November 20th.

Room 8, 9 & 10 Parent Programs – Parents of our Rooms 8, 9 & 10 children are invited to attend your child's class Parent Program:

Room 10 at 10:00 AM on Friday, November 14th

Room 8 at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, November 18th

Room 9 at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, November 19th

Weather permitting, the program will be outside on the Big Playground. The children will sing a few fun and seasonal songs, then we invite you to join them for refreshments afterwards. The program will be short, so please arrive on time. Due to limited parking in our parking lot, we suggest you park at the Cornerstone Presbyterian Church at 2904 Kerry Forest Parkway.

Giving Tree – The Giving Tree is one of the most heart-warming projects Annsworth participates in each year. We have the chance to share the true meaning of giving by purchasing a present for a child in the foster care system due to abuse and neglect.

If you are interested in being a part of our Giving Tree, this is how it works:

- Select a paper ornament(s) from our Giving Tree beginning Monday, November 17th.
- Take the top ornament for your information and sign your name on the sponsor ornament underneath.
- Return the gift, *unwrapped* and with the informational ornament attached. The deadline for gifts is Monday, December 1st.

Thank You – Thank you to the Stewart family for donating books. Thank you to the Mamin family for donating toys. Thank you to the Carswell family for donating clothing. Thank you to the Hodges family for donating shirts. Thank you to the Gerber family for donating aprons. Thank you to the Blackburn family for donating boys' underwear. Thank you to the Stewart family for donating Halloween stickers and boys' clothes. Thank you to the Martin (alumni) family for donating shoes. Thank you to the Hanks (alumni) family for donating puzzles, books, various toys, and an interactive globe.

Cold Weather – During cold weather children are allowed on the playgrounds if the temperature is 40 degrees or higher. Please be sure that your child is properly dressed to play outside in these colder temperatures. Also, please be sure to label all sweaters and jackets with your child's first and last name.

Invitation to Share Your Culture and Traditions – We are so fortunate to have many diverse cultures represented at our school. The children gain valuable knowledge about the world and many of the people in it. Although we do not discuss religion, knowing about other cultural traditions enriches all our lives. Parents and family members are encouraged to share and help educate us in their cultures, traditions, and celebrations. To do so, please either ask for a Holiday and Customs Questionnaire from the office to fill out and return or bring in a note. We will pass the information along to your child's teachers.

If you are willing to do a brief presentation for your child's class or several classes about your cultural background and heritage, please coordinate with your child's teacher or the office. Parent involvement and learning about our families strengthens our program and is a benefit to all our children.