

Just the Facts

Dwight-Englewood Lower School

October 24, 2025

Upcoming Dates:

Date	Event	Details
October 24 - November 4	All Family Access Sign-Up	All families can access/sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences using PickATime.
October 27-31	School Spirit Week	See Lower School activities below
October 31	Halloween	8:45 am Halloween Parade. Please see below for full communication and an addendum about costume masks.
November 6 & November 7	Parent Teacher Conferences	November 6 - Early Dismissal November 7 - NO CLASSES See information below
November 12	Jennifer Wallace Author of <i>Never</i> <i>Enough</i> Visit	7:00 p.m Hajjar Auditorium
November 20	3rd Grade Field Trip	Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

LS WEEKEND BASKETBALL CLINIC FOR GRADES 3-5

Dwight-Englewood has an exciting opportunity for our Lower School students in grades 3-5 - a day of hoops, energy, and Bulldog spirit! Students are welcome to sign up for our Lower School Basketball Clinic led by our Varsity Boys Coach, Alex Kuchar, and Varsity Girls Coach, Scott Murphy, along with members of their high school teams. The clinic will take place on Saturday, November 15 in Sherman Gym (Modell's Athletic Complex).

Whether your child is picking up a ball for the first time or already dreaming of varsity glory, this clinic will be packed with skills, drills, and fun designed to inspire the next generation of Bulldog athletes!

• Boys Session: 9:30–11:30 AM

• Girls Session: 1:00–3:00 PM

Come ready to play, learn, and show off that Bulldog pride by completing this <u>LS Basketball Clinic Sign-Up Form!</u> The deadline to sign-up is Monday, November 10th.

LS NOTES

The bi-weekly LS Notes communication will be published this evening. These articles are intended to provide snapshots of the students' experience through the various facets of our Lower School. Please be on the lookout for articles from Christine Hanaway Maloney, Lower School Art and Design Teacher and Yi Li, Lower School Science and STEM Teacher.

SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK

School Spirit Week begins on Monday, October 27 and will end with the Halloween Parade on Friday, October 31. The Lower School will participate on the following days.

- Wednesday, October 29 Wild West Wednesday wear western-themed outfits
- Thursday, October 30 D-E Day wear Bulldog apparel or Blue, White, and Gold
- Friday, October 31 Halloween wear costumes and parade begins at 8:45 a.m.

AN UPDATE ABOUT HALLOWEEN

Here is the full communication about Halloween that was shared with families earlier this month.

We understand that taking on mystical and heroic personas is all a part of what contributes to the magic of Halloween! With this in mind, we are updating our costume guidelines to allow masks just for the parade. Please note that other guidelines still remain and masks will be taken off while indoors.

SIGN UPS & TRANSLATION SERVICES FOR PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Families who are in need of a translator for parent teacher conferences should reach out to their homeroom teacher(s) by Wednesday, October 29.

Parent Conferences will be held in person on the afternoon/evening of Thursday, November 6, and the morning of Friday, November 7. Please refer to this <u>communication</u> that was shared with families earlier this week. Sign ups are now open to all families. Please log in to PickATime using MyDE to select an appointment time.

Special area teachers will also be available for scheduled or drop-in meetings on November 6 until 5:00 pm and November 7 until 1:00 pm. If you'd like to connect with any of our special area teachers, please reach out to them directly!

JENNIFER WALLACE AUTHOR VISIT - Never Enough

<u>Please refer to this communication</u> for upcoming opportunities to participate in a parent book conversation and join a community-wide presentation from author, Jennifer Wallace.

In lieu of a typical Lower School Parent Forum this month, we are encouraging LS families to attend what should be a thought-provoking and compelling event for our community on **Wednesday, November 12 - 7:00 p.m. in Hajjar Auditorium.**

In order to encourage attendance, we would like to offer childcare and snacks from 6:45 pm - 8:30 pm in the LS library and gymnasium. Families may register for childcare using this form. Pre-registration for childcare is required and will close on November 9.

THIRD GRADERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE - Annual Halloween Candy Collection

Our third graders are collecting extra Halloween candy for Soldiers' Angels Treats for Troops. This organization accepts wrapped candy during this Halloween season and sends it directly to service members, wounded heroes, and veterans. So, if trick or treating finds your home with an excess of treats that you would like to share with this worthy cause, please send in your extra Halloween candy. There will be collection bins outside third-grade classrooms in Drapkin Hall from Monday, November 3 – Monday, November 10, 2025.