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## EDCC DUBLIN ELEMENTARY NEWS

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**Dear EDCC Families,**

At EDCC, we strive to provide our students with opportunities to learn 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. Through our STEAM lessons, they are learning critical thinking skills, such as thinking outside of the box and being open-minded. Our projects allow them to be creative and use their imagination to explore new ideas. We are teaching them how to collaborate, and communicate effectively. Our teachers continue to plan amazing hands-on activities for your children. Topics and themes are often selected by our students which helps keep them engaged and makes learning meaningful and fun.

In March, we experimented with technology by using QR Codes in the Panthers' Room. Students illustrated their favorite sports and shared the reasons why they enjoyed them. Using Vocaroo, which is a service that allows you to create audio recordings, we generated QR Codes to post near their artwork. Parents were able to listen to these recordings using QR Code Readers on their mobile devices. We were excited to discover and implement this form of technology with art.

In the Cubs' Room, our students are learning about our Earth. Through our hands-on lessons, they will understand how to recycle, compost, reduce waste, and ways to help the environment. They will also be learning about the lifecycle of plants.

Please continue to stop by and check out the great projects displayed in our classrooms.

Best Regards,

Selin Arsezen-Moody  
Site Director

### IMPORTANT DATES

**4/2 EDCC CLOSED**  
**4/3 Full Center Day**  
**4/4 Full Center Day**  
**4/5 Full Center Day**  
**4/6 Full Center Day**  
**4/11 Collaboration Day**  
**4/25 Collaboration Day**



During Spring Break we have planned a variety of fun themed days both in the Cubs and Panthers' rooms. On Tuesday it is Topsy Turvy Day. Students can choose to wear their clothes inside/out or backwards for the day. On Wednesday, they can wear their favorite Hawaiian outfits. Bring a kite to fly on Thursday and match with your friend for Twin Day on Friday.

Please remember to bring a healthy, nut free lunch each day. We are hoping to have nice warm weather and look forward to a week of fun filled activities.

# CUBS AND PANTHERS IN ACTION!



We are learning about sports and having fun outdoors!



**NATIONAL AFTERSCHOOL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
EDCC Executive Director, Assistant Executive Director and Site Directors attended the 2018 NAA Convention in Atlanta, GA in March. As afterschool professionals, we are leading the charge to educate youth, solve problems, and deliver exceptional learning experiences. At the NAA Convention, we came together to connect, engage and learn. We are excited and inspired to share our experience and grow together.

