



# EAGLE EYE COUNSELOR CONNECTIONS

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## We are putting love into action at Elon Park through our Community Outreach

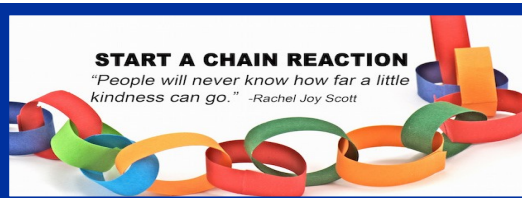
1. Our Eagles will collect items for the children of Levine's Children's Hospital. Requested Items include: *crayons, colored pencils, coloring books, activity books, Sudoku books, adult coloring books, Play-doh, card games, brand-new books, and stress balls.*
2. Our Eagles will write/ create get well cards and letters for the children of Levine's Children's Hospital.
3. Our Eagles will donate brand-new books to the children of Levine's Children's Hospital (keep in mind this wing includes older children).
4. Our Eagles will partner with AK to collect canned goods for the Annual Loaves & Fishes Food Drive.



### Things To Remember

- ⇒ Feb. 1- 3K Kindness Challenge begins
- ⇒ Feb. 1- Eagle Dad Carpool
- ⇒ Feb. 1- Report cards go home
- ⇒ Feb. 4-8- Counselor Appreciation Week
- ⇒ Feb. 7- School Store @8:15-8:45
- ⇒ Feb. 8- Girl's Night Out
- ⇒ Feb. 15- Eagle Dad Carpool
- ⇒ Feb. 21- School Store @8:15-8:45
- ⇒ Feb. 21- Character Tea @9:00
- ⇒ Feb. 25-March 1- Kindness Spirit Week
- ⇒ Feb. 25- March 1- Read Across America
- ⇒ Feb. 25- SLT Meeting @4:30

**The goal is 3,000 acts of kindness during our Kindness Challenge**



## The whole family can get involved

If you want to get the entire family involved during our Kindness Challenge, you are welcome to complete acts of kindness at home or in the community. Be sure to take pictures and/or videos and tag Elon Park's Facebook page and/ or use the hashtag **#EPKindnessChallenge**

## HAPPY Valentine's DAY

Show love *outside* of gift-giving

- ♥ Help with the chores
- ♥ Place a quick phone call
- ♥ Share
- ♥ Leave unexpected notes
- ♥ Prepare food together
- ♥ Make time to just be together



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**HAPPY**  
**National**  
**School**  
**Counseling**  
**Week**



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For more information, please visit our websites

## The Tale of Two Counselors

*I chose to be a School Counselor because...*

I have always loved children and helping others. I take great joy in making a difference in the lives of children. I love building relationships with the children and their families. The fringe benefits of working with children include all of the smiles and hugs I receive from my students. I also take great pleasure in helping children set future college and career goals. Helping make students socially and emotionally well is essential to preparing successful adults in society.

I saw firsthand that my teaching was impeded by things that happened before my students ever set foot on campus. I had to talk to students about life, coping strategies, and let them vent before I could start my lesson. I enjoyed that start to our day and decided that I wanted to transition from School teacher to School counselor. Social emotional learning and academics go hand-in-hand in order for our students to be well adapted citizens of the world.

## Suggested Reading for Citizenship

Author	Title	Topic
Kirsten Hall	Vote for Me!	School Leadership
Jane Cowen-Fletcher	It Takes a Village	Responsibility
George Shannon	Rabbit's Gift	Helping others
Leyla Torres	The Subway Sparrow	Working together
Eleanor Coerr	Sadako and 1000 Paper Cranes	Community and Helping others
Marc Brown and Laurie K. Brown	Dinosaurs to the Rescue	Environmental Problems
Ellen Javernick	What if Everybody Did That?	Consequences of thoughtless behavior

## What does citizenship mean?



1. Being responsible and respectful to people, animals, and the environment.
2. Caring about your community and country.
3. Being informed about the needs within your school and community.
4. Doing your best to make your home, school, and community a better place.