



# September "Tiger Pride"

Date

## Principal's Note

### Welcome Back

Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year. I am very excited about the New Year. We are a "C" school. I am so proud of the students, parents and staff at Garner Elementary. We recognize that our work is really only beginning. It is the mission and vision of the staff at Garner Elementary to create lifelong learners who are work and/or college ready when they graduate from high school. We had an assembly to honor all students that passed the FSA with a level three or higher. The students were very excited. I am truly grateful to be part of the new era of higher student achievement and creation of a culture that promotes relationship building and excellence. It's going to be a great year!

**Ask your child about CHAMPS and "Tiger Pride" Celebrations every Friday**

## Attendance Awareness Month

### September is School Attendance Awareness Month

Garner Elementary has partnered with Polk Vision to bring awareness of the importance of student attendance in school. Our "Strive for Five" initiative sets to encourage students to miss less than five days of school this year. We will reward bicycles every nine-weeks for students with perfect attendance (a drawing will be held to select three winners). All students with perfect attendance for the entire school year will receive a bike at the end of the year.

## AR Reading Goal for 2018-2019

### 25,000 Books Read

Please encourage your child to read at home. They will take AR tests at school. Every month we will have a pizza party for the highest AR point winners in each grade level. We can't accomplish the goal without you.

## September Important Dates

September 6<sup>th</sup>-PTO Meeting 3:15 Media Center

September 12<sup>th</sup>-Early Release, Interims Home

September 13<sup>th</sup>-Open House, 5:30-7:00

September 17<sup>th</sup>-Para, Student Holiday

September 20<sup>th</sup>-SAC Meeting, 3:15 Media Center

September 25<sup>th</sup> -Kg Parent Lunch Day

September 26<sup>th</sup>- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Parent Lunch Day

