

Thursday Thoughts - Nov 18, 2021

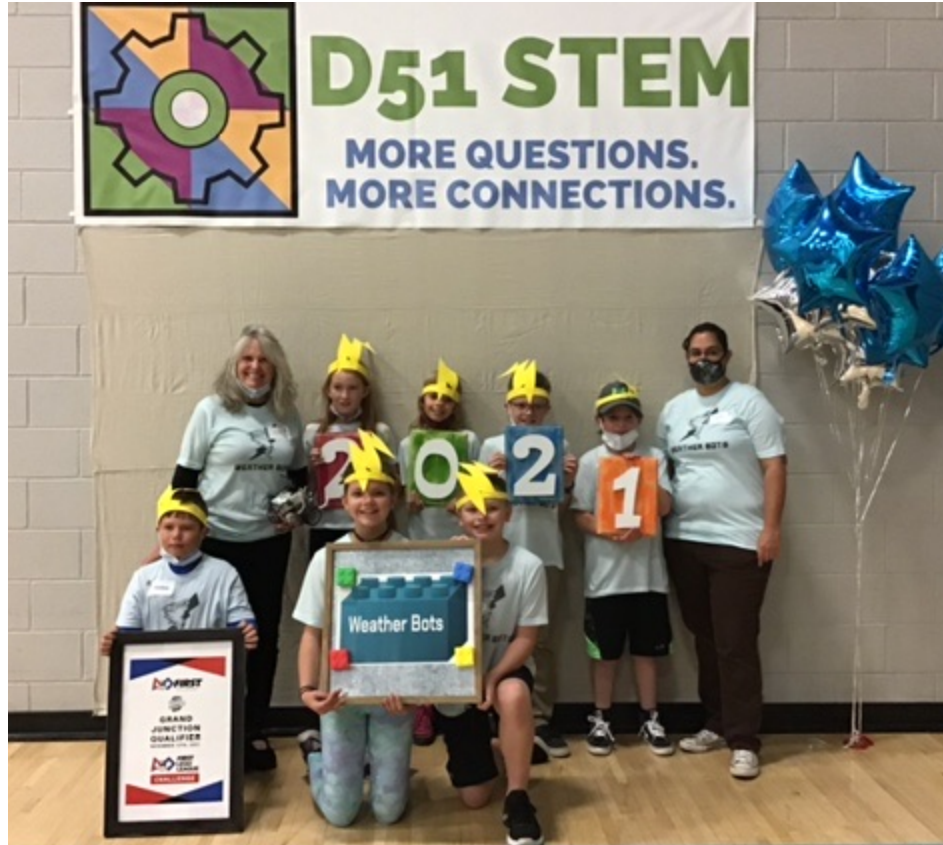
We are moments away from Thanksgiving break. Eight fabulous days to enjoy your child/ren at home. SCHEDULE IN SOME "SPECIAL TIME" WITH JUST YOU AND THEM --- put your phone down, let go of work, drop your to-do lists, turn off the tv and get rid of any other distractions that you might have. [HERE IS A LIST](#) to do with your child! They need you right now and here is a little secret-- YOU NEED THEM RIGHT NOW. You need their unconditional love, you need their smiles, you need their joy, you need their innocence. You are their everyday heroes - be one this week! [SCHOOL RESUMES TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH](#)

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE OFFERED TO SUPPORT AND VOLUNTEER HERE AT STEAM @ TOPE! WE GENUINELY FEEL SO APPRECIATIVE OF THE RESPONSE!

*Tope is an AWESOME place to be for sure!*

It is IMPERATIVE that you take a moment to fill out the link for Free and Reduced lunch. It is located on the D51 website under "Quick Links" <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/PickDistrict>

A BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR **LEGO LEAGUE** WHO PLACED SECOND OVERALL (OUT OF 21 TEAMS) IN INNOVATION WITH CREATIVITY AND PERSEVERANCE WHEN SOLVING PROBLEMS! Way to go Delanie, Alexander, Liam, Caroline, Iziah, Sean and Olive! A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR COACHES- DeAnna Harris and Alice Swanson.



## CURRENT PBLs

**2ND GRADE PROBLEM** ~ 2nd Grade completed an EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL panel on November 10th. More info to come regarding which VIABLE SOLUTIONS will be moving forward!

**3RD GRADE PROBLEM** ~ 3rd grade completed an EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL PBL this past week. The children have bright futures as chiropterologists! (I just learned that word!)

**4TH GRADE PROBLEM** ~ Steam @ Tope 4th graders need a way to take ownership and action now to protect the sustainability of our recreational spaces in order to preserve our community's culture and heritage.

**5TH GRADE PROBLEM**~ Steam @ Tope 5th graders need a way to develop a sense of belonging so that all learners feel important within our school community

***Create a beautiful life at home with your child,***

*Carnie Bollinger*

"Around here, however, we don't look backwards for very long. We keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things, because we're curious ... and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths." Walt Disney

IMPORTANT DATES

November ~

19- Camp Out

19 - Student of the Month Assembly

22-26 - Thanksgiving Break

29 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Plan Day