



NEWS & VIEWS

Mohawk Trails Elementary

THE FOUR HOUSES OF ESE

Alison Barber, Assistant Site Supervisor

Welcome back Mohawk students and families! We are thrilled to start the 2017-2018 school year here at ESE. We have made some exciting changes to our program. Ask your student about the new structure of our snack/recess and homework periods throughout the afternoon. We have seen their excitement about these changes.

Our students have been placed in a "HOUSE," which comes from the *Harry Potter* movies. Those four houses are: Hufflepuff, Slytherin, Gryffindor, and Ravenclaw. As a team, the house members will compete with one another to earn points. The winner at the end of each week will earn a group prize. The winner of cumulative points at the end of each site plan (about 10 weeks each) will earn a group grand prize! We hope this promotes teamwork and teaches the students to strive to make positive choices to benefit the team.

The house selection, or sorting, process resembled the scene in the movie. The students sat in front of the group with the sorting hat hung just about their head. The hat spoke to them and placed them in a house. The students enjoyed this process and are excited to get started.

Wednesday Morning Dance Club

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Every Wednesday, our morning crew shakes off any tiredness they are feeling while dancing the morning away. The students enjoy the various genres of kids' music and show their friends how to move and groove.

Abby Perkins, fourth grade, "loves to go wild" when she dances in the gym. Kindergartener Delaney York "likes leaping" when she dances.

The music livens the mood throughout the gym and cafeteria. It's hard not to smile and tap your feet to the beat!

