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Granting Dreams Applications are currently being accepted by the Parkway Alumni Association. Any current Parkway student, kindergarten through 12th grade, is eligible to apply for a Dream Grant offered by the Parkway Alumni Association. Grants of financial support of up to \$250 will be awarded, as well as grants of community resources and/or alumni support. Students are encouraged to submit requests that demonstrate a commitment to furthering skills, acquiring knowledge or experience, participating in school-related activities, or engaging in the community. Applications are available in all Parkway buildings, and online at www.ParkwayAlumni.org. Applications are due by 4pm on Thursday, February 9, 2017.

On December 22nd, we have an exciting West Time Day planned. Our day has several parts:

- 1. Students will have an extended West Time lesson to help us better understand how we can all stand together and be one at West Middle.
- 2. We will also have the Annual Staff/Student volleyball game.
- 3. Students will attend an all class meeting and Jason Rooks, Parkway Technology Director, will discuss social media use with the students. We will spend time conducting an end of the year locker clean up and goal setting for the new year.
- 4. Lastly, we will end the day with a "Drop Everything and Read" session. Students will be dismissed at 12:20pm and there will be no after school activities.

Winter Reading Challenge: December 22nd will kick off our all school "Winter Reading Challenge". Each team (staff included) will track the number of pages they read from December 22nd through January 31st. We will have a celebration for the winning team and a weekly traveling trophy.

Family Bowling Night: Save the date! The Annual West Middle Family Bowling is Wednesday, January 11th from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the school store for \$3.00 a person for unlimited games and shoe rental at **Tropicana Bowling 7960 Clayton Rd, St. Louis, MO 63117.** Every bowler needs to purchase a ticket. Come meet other families and have fun!

Thanks for sharing your child with us.

~Annie

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Looking Ahead

Monday, December 19th 9:45am 8th Grade Choir, Band & Orchestra In-House Field Trip Monday, December 19th 3:30pm 8th Grade Boys Basketball Tournament @ West Middle

Thursday, December 22nd 12:20pm Dismissal - Special West Time Schedule

December 23rd - January 6th Winter Break Monday, January 9, 2017 Classes Resume

"The less you control what you do, the more what you do controls you."