Travel Athletics (Grades 6-8)

Soccer (Fall)

Volleyball (Fall)

Cheer Leading (Year Round)

Basketball (Winter)

Baseball (Spring)

Softball (Spring)

Track (Spring)

Clubs

Gymnastics (Grades 3-5)

Reading Club

Math Club

Yearbook Club

Philly Ad Club

Student Council
Student Government
Men of Spruance (Grades 3-8)
Girls' R.U.L.E. (Grades 3-8)
HIAS' Refugee Enrichment Program
Extended Day (Grades K-8)
Performing Arts at Spruance
No Place for Hate Ambassadors
Jr. Fire Patrol

Dates to Remember

Home and School / Parent Round Table and SAC Meeting (Refer to your monthly calendar)

August 25, 2017 – School Supply Drive and Tie Drive with Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

School Year Calendar: 2017-2018

* Since the calendar is subject to change during the course of the school year, the web version may contain updates not reflected in the printed version of this publication.

First Day for Staff

August 28 2017

April 27, 2018 May 2-4, 2018

May 15, 2018

August 28, 2017	First Day for Staff
August 28, 2017	Staff Only- No Students
August 31, 2017	Staff Only—No Students
September 1, 2017	Reorg —No Students
September 4, 2017	Labor Day- Schools Closed
September 5, 2017	First Day for Grades 1-12
September 5, 2017	First Day for Pre-K, Head
	Start and Bright Futures
September 12, 2017	First Day for Kindergarten
September 21-22,2017	Schools Closed
September 29, 2017	School Selection Process Begins
October 9-11, 2017	Interim Reports
October 27, 2017	12:09 Early Dismissal
November 7, 2017	Schools Closed
November 10, 2017	Schools Closed
November 12 2017	School Selection Process Ends
November 13, 2017	School Selection Frocess Enus
November 20 - 22, 2017	12:09 Early Dismissal
*	
*	12:09 Early Dismissal
November 20 - 22, 2017	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 2, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 2, 2018 January 3—5, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students Interim Reports
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 2, 2018 January 3—5, 2018 January 15, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students Interim Reports Schools Closed
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 2, 2018 January 3—5, 2018 January 15, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students Interim Reports Schools Closed 12:09 Early Dismissal
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 2, 2018 January 3—5, 2018 January 15, 2018 February 14- 16, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students Interim Reports Schools Closed 12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 2, 2018 January 3—5, 2018 January 15, 2018 February 14- 16, 2018 February 19, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students Interim Reports Schools Closed 12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences Schools Closed
November 20 - 22, 2017 December 8, 2017 December 25 - 29, 2017 January 1, 2018 January 3—5, 2018 January 15, 2018 February 14- 16, 2018 February 19, 2018 March 14 - 16, 2018	12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences 12:09 Early Dismissal Schools Closed Schools Closed Staff Only- No Students Interim Reports Schools Closed 12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences Schools Closed Interim Reports

12:09 Early Dismissal

12:09 Early Dismissal Report Card Conferences

Schools Closed



Gilbert Spruance Elementary School

6401 Horrocks Street Philadelphia, PA 19149 Phone: 215-400-3290 Fax: 215-400-3291

Kwand T. Lang, Sr., Principal Kenneth G. Christy, Asst. Principal

Dr. Dion Betts Assistant Superintendent Neighborhood Network 8

Mission

Spruance Elementary School is dedicated to excellence. Spruance is a teaching and learning community where instruction is child-centered and developmentally appropriate. All students are afforded the opportunity to achieve to their full potential in order to become lifelong learners and responsible members of the community.

Slogan



Student Support Services

English Language Learners

Approximately 200 students in K through Grade 8 are English Language Learners (ELLs) in our school. There are two goals:

Access to the PA Core. ELLs across all levels of language proficiency are able to fully engage in rigorous grade-level content and meet grade-level standards.

English Language Development. ELLs will develop academic English through Focused Language Study as well as Discipline-specific and Academic Language Expansion.

Special Education

Life Skills & Multiple Disabilities

Support

Low Incidence Special Education Programs are designated educational programs for students who are determined to require Life Skills Support or Multiple Disabilities Support. Programs are included in the regular school buildings, to the extent determined by the Individual Education Program (IEP) of each child, students may participate in general education programs. Students in Low Incidence Special Education Programs participate in alternative curriculum developed to address educational and functional needs

Learning Support

These students are taught the General Education Curriculum with accommodation strategies to meet their unique learning and/or behavioral needs.

Achievement Team

The Achievement team provides instruction to students who need extra support to be successful. The A-team consists of Spruance staff members, who provide academic support to students in grades K to 8. Student Support Assistants and bus attendants provide daily support to grades K to 1. Expressive arts teachers,

Points of Pride

- School District Model School in the area of Educational Growth for the Lowest-Performing 20% of Students in Reading and Math.
- School District Model School in the area of school climate according to the districtwide parent survey.
- Eight teachers with moderate or significant evidence that the teacher's group of students exceeded the standard for PA Academic Growth.

Men of Spruance & Girls R.U.L.E.

Mentoring program for young boys and girls to enrich and empower them to become better leaders and make better choices.

- **Eagles Nest** Partnership with Philadelphia Eagles to create new play space for Spruance students and the community.
- **No Place for Hate-** Provides anti-bias education and diversity training programs which teaches values and benefits of diversity.

Phi Beta Sigma Social Action Award

Featured on Channel 6

Malcolm Jenkins- Feed the Children Foundation sponsored by PepsiCo

Tie Tuesday and Women's Wednesday Boy's and Girl's Basketball Teams made the Final 8

City-Wide Oratorical Contest Coat Drive in partnership with Catholic Community Service

8th Grade Spring Credit Recovery Extended Day Program enriching over 120 students in Reading and Math.

Need In Deed Service Learning Project

Penn Relays

Nine West Shoe Company Partnership

Martin Luther King's Day of Service

Nu Sigma/Spruance Best of Awards