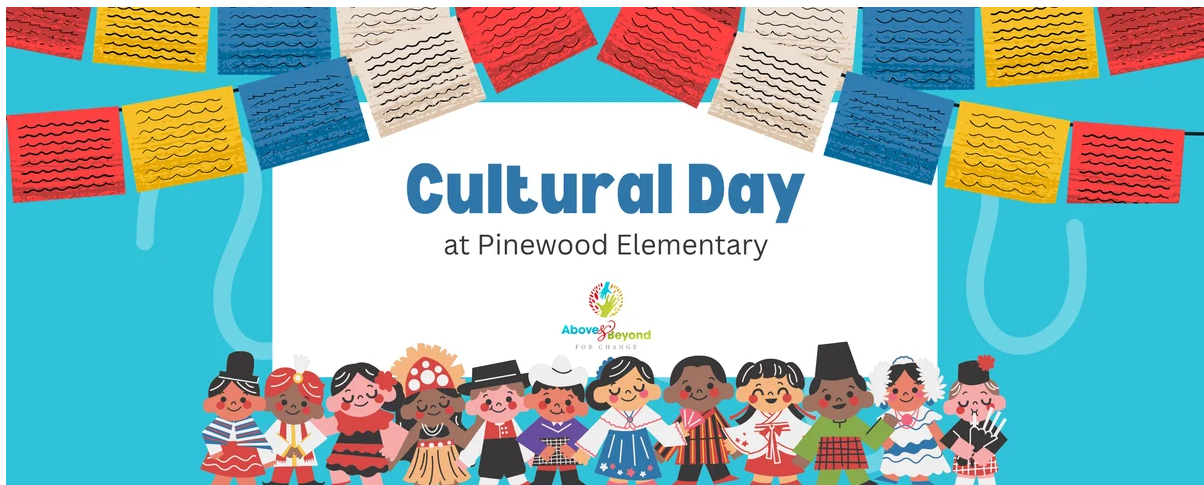




Hello volunteers, donors, partners, and friends of Above & Beyond for Change,

April arrived bringing longer days, lots of movement, and hearts full of gratitude. Around here, we're preparing for Cultural Day, celebrating our teachers, enjoying another unforgettable experience at Olive Garden, and supporting small but mighty warriors.

Shall we get to the news?



Cultural Day Is Coming! Be Part of This Story

On **May 20th**, Pinewood Elementary will host a true **cultural explosion** — and you can help us make this day unforgettable!

Cultural Day is a vibrant celebration of the diversity that makes up our community. We'll have traditional foods, dances, music, and performances that will take our students on a journey around the world... without ever leaving the schoolyard.

[Donate here!](#)



🔍 Teacher Appreciation Breakfast: A Breakfast Made with Love

In April, we had the joy of saying a big thank you to those who deserve it most: the teachers and staff of Pinewood Elementary.

Above & Beyond for Change fully sponsored a **Teacher Appreciation Breakfast**.

And to make the moment even more special, we invited **Chef Will from Dolphin Catering**, who prepared wonderful made-to-order omelets with so much care.

This was just a small gesture to thank them for everything they do every single day.



🍰 Another Dinner Experience at Olive Garden

Yes, it happened again! In April, we took another group of Pinewood Elementary students for a **Dinner Experience at Olive Garden**.

They talked with the restaurant manager, learned about how the business works, practiced etiquette, chose their dishes from the menu, and of course, savored every single bite.

For many, it was their first time in a restaurant like that. And every shining eye was a reminder that **exposure changes perspectives, and perspectives change futures**. The world is big, and it belongs to them too.



👋 A Karate Uniform for Isaac and Jalissa

Isaac (9yo), and his sister, Jalissa (7yo), students at Pinewood Elementary, are living their dream of practicing karate! With the support of our donor community, we sponsored the siblings' karate uniform and classes. 🙌❤️

Isaac is already training, proudly wearing his dogi, and sent a message to all of you: *"Thank you for believing in me. I'll give my best!"*

This is the essence of what we do. Small gestures that change lives. And you are part of it.

🙌 How You Can Help Now

- **Support Cultural Day at Pinewood Elementary:** [Make your donation now.](#)
- **Share our cause:** Forward this newsletter to a friend who also believes in the power of community.
- **Follow us on Instagram:** [@AboveAndBeyondForChange](#) for behind-the-scenes and daily updates.

Love ❤️ and Light ✨

Michelle Sanchez- FOUNDER

Michelle

Your generous donation will bring joy to our students and their families this holiday season. Let's spread love and kindness together!

Thank you for your support! ❤️ ✨

Feel free to share with friends and family.

“We must use our lives to make the world a better place to live, not just to acquire things. That is what we are put on the earth for.”

— Dolores Huertas

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