

# Friendship International



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## SKIPPING THANKSGIVING?

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It seems every year that Christmas starts appearing earlier, especially in the stores. Then as soon as Halloween is over, BAM! ... it's Christmas everywhere you look. But there's another important American holiday that falls right between Halloween and Christmas--Thanksgiving! This year we will celebrate Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 24th. Instead of moving right along to the next thing, let's all pause this month to give thanks and be grateful for our blessings.

### Ideas for Giving Thanks

- Share a meal with your family and everyone share something they are thankful for
- Start a journal or just use a piece of paper and write down something you're thankful for every day leading up to Thanksgiving. Then keep it going into 2023!
- Have your family write down things they're thankful for on small pieces of paper and put them in a jar or bowl. Take them out and read them on Thanksgiving.
- Make a thankful craft with your kids (link on page 2 for an idea).
- Mail a letter or card to someone telling them how much they mean to you.
- Make a treat or a handmade item and drop it on a neighbor's or friend's doorstep as a fun surprise.



## UPCOMING DATES

November 4	Lunch Out After Classes (Papi's)
November 8	Election Day (No School in Fayette County)
November 18	Friendship Thanksgiving Meal
November 20	Ashland's International Thanksgiving Meal

**International Thanksgiving Dinner**  
**Sunday, November 20, 5:30 PM**  
**Ashland Avenue Baptist Church**  
*Transportation Available*



Ashland Avenue Baptist Church is once again hosting their annual International Thanksgiving Dinner! All international students, scholars, refugees, immigrants and visitors, along with their families, are invited.

The menu is a traditional American Thanksgiving Dinner. Halal and vegetarian plates are also available.

For transportation, please email [info@ashlandlex.org](mailto:info@ashlandlex.org) by November 16.  
**[Click here to register to attend!](#)**

**FREE EVENT**



**Lex Glow Ride**  
**Shillito Park**

A family-friendly event for riders of all ages and experience levels. This parade of lights will be a loop of Shillito Park. Bikes, scooters and other trail-friendly forms of transportation are welcome. The 2.4 mile trail will be lit. Hot chocolate and water provided.



Saturday, November 5th  
*Meet in the small parking lot  
across from the baseball field*  
6 PM Resource Fair  
6:45 PM Parade Lineup

**FREE EVENT** (Food for purchase)



**THIS WEEK'S FEATURED CRAFT:**  
**[CLICK HERE FOR HOW TO MAKE A THANKFUL TREE](#)**



**FEATURED RECIPE FROM THE COOKING CLASS!**  
**[CLICK HERE FOR "OVERNIGHT BLUEBERRY FRENCH TOAST"](#)**