



McKinley Elementary School

"We Believe All Students Can Achieve"

Cher Mott, Principal

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Attendance Phone: (510) 618-4321

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Telephone Numbers

Our phone system facilitates communication between schools and community. We check our voicemail often, so please leave a message if you happen to phone while we are away from our desks. Please note:

618-4320 – Office

618-4321 –Attendance Line

667-3508- Food Service

SCHOOL BULLETIN

November 16, 2009

CALENDAR

November 17	School Board Meeting	7 pm
November 18	Site Council Mtg.	3:40 – 4:40pm
	PTO Meeting	6-7pm
November 23-27	Thanksgiving Holidays –	NO SCHOOL
Nov 30-Dec 4	Parent Conferences K – 5	
Nov 30-Dec 8	Parent Conferences 4 - 5	
December 1	School Board Meeting	7 pm

Early Dismissal Day - Kindergarten: 8:10 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.,

Grades 1 - 5: 8:10 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

REMINDER: Every Wednesday is Early Dismissal.

Special Schedule

Parent Conference Week will follow a special schedule:

All Kindergarteners 8:10 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.

All grades 1 – 5 8:10 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

Please note grades 1-5 dismissal time is an hour earlier than our normal early dismissal time due to conferences. Thanks!

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our entire learning community, parent groups and staff, for their professional and personal input into our Single School Plan for Student Achievement. This two year 2009-10 & 2010-11 plan has been forwarded to the SLUSD School Board. On Tuesday, November 17th the School Board agenda will include the presentation and approval of the SLUSD Single Plans, including McKinley Elementary School. Our achievement data and STAR results helped us in determining how best to utilize both state and federal funds in the best interest of our learning community. As we begin implementing our Single School Plan, we will continue to analyze district and core curriculum assessments to strategically monitor all our students and assure that funds were applied appropriately. Our School Site Council, in charge of approving our 09-10 & 10-11 Plan, will continue to make decisions regarding the appropriate use of these funds throughout the next two school years, and make changes as needed which directly relates to our student achievement. I look forward to working with all of you so that we can continue to celebrate both academic gains and social promotion and success at McKinley.

Have a safe and healthy Fall Recess.

Cher Mott, Principal



Emergency Cards

Please remember to update your child's emergency card when there are changes in address or phone numbers. Thank you!

A Note From Food Services

Effective November 1, 2009, Food and Nutrition Services, began processing all **CHECK** payments made to student meal accounts via electronic debit. Also, any Donations made via check to San Leandro Unified School District will be processed via electronic debit. By submitting your check for payment you are authorizing San Leandro Unified School District to make an electronic debit from your account for the amount of your check. No additional fees will be added. If we cannot collect your electronic payment due to technical reasons, we will issue a draft against your account. Please call 510-667-3508 should you prefer to opt-out of this process or if you have any questions about your payment.

Caught Being Good

Congratulations to the following students who were caught being good: Anja Hansen, Laura Ocegüera, Sabrina Kho, Andrea Villagomez, Freddy Camarillo, Kate Gonzalez, Jonathan Maldonado, Katelyn Ross, Eva Ortega, Noah Regas, Samantha Ferrante, Salvador Castellanos, Ricardo Ortega, Celia Xie.

Parents must sign in and out of office –

Parents are expected to sign in and out of the McKinley Office at all times. Younger siblings may not play on the playground during school hours, and children who do not attend McKinley will not be supervised by Yard Duty. Parents may not have lunch seated next to their child, as this presents seating space for our K – 5 students. If you wish to bring lunch for your child, please deliver it in the Office, and it will be brought to your child. If parents wish to volunteer or be present for up to one hour per month on the McKinley campus, a Volunteer packet is required by the SLUSD, and must be filled out and returned to the McKinley Office for the health and safety of all students and staff. Thank you!

Telephone Usage

Students are not allowed to use the office telephone except in an emergency. Please do not call the school to leave a message for your child, as often it's not possible to deliver messages. Please make your after school arrangements before your child leaves for school in the morning.

Medications

If your child must take medication at school, an authorization form must be on file in the school office. This form must be signed by the doctor and parent. The medication must be in its original, labeled container. We are not able to dispense medications without this form on file. If you have questions, please contact the school office or Health Services at 667-3518.

Safety

Student safety is extremely important at McKinley. We must insist that students are on campus ONLY when they are assigned. There is no supervision for them outside their assigned times. You must be vigilante in bringing your child to and from school. Please, teach your child the safe procedures for crossing the street. Kid's Club is available 577-3462 and ASES at 357-5515 for after school programs.

Rain Reminder

With the start of the rainy season, all students are reminded to stay away from mud and water puddles. A muddy child will be helped to clean up as much as possible and will be expected to remain at school.



McKinley PTO

PTO members will vote for all nominations on Wednesday, November 18th beginning at 6:00pm. We hope you will join us in supporting our learning community! ☺

Health Concerns in School

As we are in the cold and flu season, many parents are asking important questions about when and when not to send children to school. Getting vaccinated for the H1N1 virus is recommended along with the following simple ways to protect you and your children from getting sick with colds and the flu:

- ✓ Wash your hands after using the bathroom, eating or handling foods, and throughout the day.
- ✓ Hand sanitizers are useful and may also help prevent the spread of germs.
- ✓ Cover your coughs and sneezes with tissue, handkerchief or elbow, and wash hands afterwards.
- ✓ Keep your hands away from your nose, eyes and mouth.
- ✓ If your child is sick, do not send them back to school until 24 hours after no fever is present (without the need for use of fever-reducing medication).

Our first concern is maintaining the health and safety of each child, their teacher, and our learning community. Students absences due to health issues can happen, and homework may be requested by a parent so that their child's education is not negatively impacted. **Saturday School** will be offered in the near future to recoup these lost instructional minutes. More information will be forthcoming in the next Parent Bulletin and on our school website.

Remember to call all illnesses to the McKinley Office absence line at 618-4321. If you have a confirmed case of H1N1, please inform the office so that we may protect others. Always consult your health care provider if you have specific concerns about your child's health. Thank you and be well. ☺