



McKinley Elementary School

"We Believe All Students Can Achieve"

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SCHOOL BULLETIN

April 26, 2010

CALENDAR

May 3	PTO meeting	6 pm
May 4	School Board Meeting	7 pm
April 28	DELAC Mtg. – Dist Ofc.	6:30 – 8:00pm ☺
May 4 – 14	STAR Testing Window	
May 12	ELAC Mtg. – Library	8:15-9:15AM ☺

Early Dismissal Days – REMINDER: Wednesdays are Early Dismissal.

Kindergarten: 8:10 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

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

☺ PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

I would like to thank our Title I Parents and School Site Council Members, for their planning, insights and participation in the 2010-2011 Family/School/Student Compact. This compact marks the vested interest and agreement to learn at McKinley. We are dedicated to providing all families with the best educational experience available to them. Thank you again!

Our PTO just purchased an industrial sized popcorn maker. Not only will this be a healthy choice to share with our students and families at special events, but the PTO hopes that it can earn money for our instructional program at McKinley! Thank you to our PTO members for this wonderful contribution!

Our 5th graders experienced an excellent orientation to Bancroft Middle School recently. The Principal Mary Ann Valles is looking forward to receiving our 5th graders next year. Next year, Bancroft will be offering for the first time, an English Language Arts and Math Intervention Program to quickly recover learning for those students needing this support. I am so pleased that this wonderful new opportunity will be offered for our students. Please see the attached flyer for more information on these new support/companion classes being offered.

STAR Testing begins May 4th – May 14th. Here are some important tips:

- Reading Section Tips:

-Read the story carefully. Take time to understand what you have read.

-When answering the comprehension questions, it is a good idea to look back at the reading passage to find the answers.

-Create a picture in your mind so that you can visualize it as if you were there.

- Math Section Tips:

-Pay attention to key words or numbers if it helps you to stay focused.

-Change a number written out to the actual number. If it's spelled sixty-six, write out numerals 66.

-Double check your math work when you are adding, dividing, multiplying or subtracting. Don't make a careless mistake by rushing through a math problem.
-Show your work by writing on the scratch paper. Use it as a worksheet to help go back over steps you may have missed or to help you re-work the problem if needed.

ABOVE ALL – Attend school on time, every day, ready to do your best. Eat a healthy breakfast, get plenty of rest, and take your time to get it right! ☺ GO EAGLES!

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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

667-3508 - Food Service

5th Grade Residence Verification

Again this year, the district office is requiring all 5th grade parents to provide residence verification. Please bring 2 current utility bills (telephone statement, EBMUD, cable, garbage, PG&E or other government-medical-bank statement) in the parent's name and lease/rental agreement or homeowner documentation to the school office by 5:00 pm on May 27. Thank you.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

McKinley's Kindergarten Registration for the 2010/2011 school year has begun. We are now accepting K packets in the office daily from 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Parents should bring the following essential information:

1. Child's ORIGINAL birth certificate (children must be born on or before Dec. 2, 2005)
2. Proof of residence – 2 current major utility bills and rental agreement or mortgage verification.
3. Immunization verification.

Registration for next year of upper grade students will begin on May 3, 2010.

Caught Being Good

The following students were caught being good: Jordan Woods, Alexandra Maldonado, Jenile Thames, Oscar Paniagua, Jonathan Maldonado, Jalen Lacy Polk.

Emergency Cards

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

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 personnel. Parents may not have lunch seated next to their child, as this presents seating space problems for our K – 5 students. If you wish to bring lunch to your child, please deliver it to the office and it will be brought to your child. If parents wish to volunteer or be present for more than one hour per month on the McKinley campus, a cleared volunteer packet is required by 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.