

October 9, 2019

Mountain View Newsletter

Principal's Message

This year we are focusing on having a school culture that is safe and welcoming. One of our goals is to greet everyone with a smile, and do all we can to make everyone we see feel comfortable and welcome. Teachers are also greeting all of their students by name each morning. This will make Mountain View a warm environment. I recently read a student's writing assignment. He wrote, "I like it when people say hi to me. It makes me really happy. I like the way the teachers and students make me feel like it's a safe place to learn." All students should be able to feel this way about school, and we are making efforts to ensure that happens. Everyone can help, too. It is everyone's responsibility to be friendly, kind, and welcoming. I recently heard a story about a student who invited classmates who were new to the school to play with him. That student is a Mountain View hero, and is a great example of how students can contribute to strengthening our school's culture.

Blocked Entrance to Parking Lot Before and After School

As we continue to seek for students arriving and departing school in the safest ways, we have discovered that if we block the main entrance to our parking lot, it creates less congestion and safer passage for our students. If you are dropping students off or picking them up in a vehicle, please use the entrance in the front of the school and use the right hand side to drop off and the left side to pass. Please avoid parking in red zones to take children inside the school. Also, please remember we have a drop off/pick up zone on the west side of the school that is helping to reduce congestion in the main parking lot. It is a great alternative.

Suggested Activity to Increase Your Child's Level of Empathy

Empathy is the ability to understand and feel for another person's concerns. It is an important social/emotional skill that we all need to develop. Dr. Michele Borba suggests that one thing that can be done at home to support the growth of empathy in our children is to have them imagine having a disadvantage that they currently do not have. Any challenge that your child has not experienced will do. The goal is to help them see a situation from the point of view of another who has different challenges than they do. Then have them write, talk, or draw their view of what it might feel like if they had to live with that situation themselves.



Upcoming Events

Friday, October 11

Parents and Pastries/School Community Council, 8:30, CLC

Thursday, October 17

No School, Fall Break

Friday, October 18

No School, Fall Break

Monday, October 21

No School, Fall Break

Friday, October 25

Free Flu Vaccinations, 12:00-6:00, CLC

Parents and Pastries

Every Friday morning parents have an opportunity to learn about the education system, meet school faculty and staff members, and discuss important issues in their children's schooling experience. We invite you to come on Friday to be a part of these discussions. We will meet at 8:15 in the Community Learning Center Room 182. If you need help finding it, our office staff will be happy to point you in the right direction. See you there!

School Community Council

School Community Council (SCC) will meet on the monthly in the CLC. SCC meetings are open to the public.

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We hope to see you following us, and we hope you invite your friends and family to follow us, as well.

Community Learning Center Classes

Our Community Learning Center is offering many classes for students and adults. Please stop by the Community Learning Center office to pick up a calendar. Anyone in our community is welcome to sign up for classes.

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