

# Mission Valley Parent Bulletin

## Principal's Message

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### Important Dates:

- **Mon., 8/27 – Fri., 8/29:** Early Release Days, Grades 1–6 out at 1:10pm
- **Mon, 9/1:** Labor Day, NO SCHOOL
- **Wed., 9/10-Thurs., 9/18:** Book Fair in Room 12
- **Mon, 9/16:** Back to School Night
- **Sat., 9/27:** MVSA Campus Clean Up Day

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new and returning Mission Valley students and families to a brand new school year. It is my hope that all of you had a summer break full of memorable moments shared with your family and friends. I was fortunate enough to spend time with my family along the beautiful Central California coast, visiting both Pismo Beach and Santa Barbara. During this vacation I was given the news that the Mission Valley community had selected me to be their new principal. It was definitely a great way to finish up a wonderful break.

Since then I have been busy getting to know the school and preparing for all of our students to return. If you haven't had a chance to meet me yet, I will be available at our Back To School Night, which is schedule for September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Please remember that the first three days of school (8/27, 8/28, 8/29) are minimum days for all 1st-6<sup>th</sup>-grade students, which means that the school day will end at 1:10. After the first week all Wednesdays are minimum days for grades 1-6.

Our school day for K-3 begins at 8:30 and for 4-6 at 8:20. Playground supervision begins at 8:20 for primary students (K-3) and 8:10 for intermediate students (4-6) so please make sure, for safety reasons that you drop off your student **after** supervision begins.

During the year please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have by calling me at (510) 656-2000 or by email at [mpappas@fremont.k12.ca.us](mailto:mpappas@fremont.k12.ca.us). I look forward to a year of learning and growth for my students and myself and to serving the Mission Valley community this school year.



如果您需要此文件的中文譯本，請和學校聯絡。

## Mission Valley is GREEN!

This issue and the June issue are the only issues we will print this school year. The newsletter will be posted monthly on the school website. To view the newsletter, go to the Mission Valley School website or click on Mission Valley School from the Fremont Unified School District website. We will have a limited number of printed newsletter in the display stand located in the office. Chinese translated newsletters are available upon request.

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## Morning and Afternoon Procedures

### Morning:

Kindergarten students meet in the corridor on the side of the office facing the K playground. They are dismissed from class to the corridor for after school pick up. Parents are asked to wait in the corridor. Please check with the k teachers for more information on procedures.

Grades 4-6 report to the playground at 8:10am and grades 1-3 at 8:20am. Students should not be on playground until adult supervision begins. After the bell rings, all students line up behind their classroom number on the playground. All teachers meet their classes on the playground daily. **On rainy days students will report to the Multi Use Room until school begins.**

**FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL OF OUR CHILDREN, PARENTS MAY NOT FOLLOW STUDENTS/CLASS TO THE CLASSROOM.**

### Afternoon:

Students will line up along the driveway on their room number. Students who are going home in a carpool should wait by the carpool sign at the end of the driveway. Students must be picked up on time! There is no supervision on campus after 3pm.

## SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY



Please remember that the speed limit on neighborhood residential streets is 25 mph and the speed limit within the Mission Valley boundaries is 5 mph. Please do your part to make our school and neighborhood a safe place!!



**Leave Earlier. Drive Slower. Live Longer.**

## Open House

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This evening is for parents to listen to teachers' presentations about the upcoming school year's events, curriculum, and have questions answered. **Teachers will pass out their classroom and homework policy, rules, and procedures. Please keep these at home for reference throughout the school year.**

**6:00pm-6:45pm- Grades 4-6 and Kinder in classrooms**

**7:00pm- 7:20pm- Principal and MVSA talk in MUR**

**7:30pm-8:15pm- Grades 1—3 in classrooms**

## Free Lunch Applications

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Free Meal Applications must be submitted every school year. Applications are available on the FUSD website and in the school office. You must turn in your application directly to Child Nutrition Services at the District Office.

## FUSD Preschool

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Do you have a 3- or a 4-year-old at home? Give your child the gift of a quality preschool experience and preparation for Kindergarten and beyond. Fremont Unified School District offers two excellent programs. State Preschool, for income-eligible families, is free again! Other families may choose our popular tuition-based program. Please call the FUSD Preschool office at 659-2579 for more information or come to the school district office, 4210 Technology Drive, Room 209, and pick up an application. Information is also available at [www.fremont.k12.ca.us/fedstate](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/fedstate)



## Classroom Assignments

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The teachers and principal work collaboratively to create classes. Several factors are used to create balanced classes at each grade level. After class assignments are posted, the only student changes made will be to accommodate overload students as outlined in the board approved overload policy. **Any concerns or questions regarding a student in a classroom need to be first addressed with the classroom teacher.**

This process is outlined in the board complaint policy. Copies of this policy are available on the district website and in the school office.

# Mission Valley Elementary

41700 Denise Street  
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## Contact Information:

**Absence Line:**  
656-2000

**Lunch Account Info:**  
656-2000 ext.34182

**Website:**  
[www.fremont.k12.ca.us/mve](http://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/mve)

**Principal:**  
Mike Pappas

**Secretary:**  
Cara Madden-Watson

**Attendance Clerk:**  
Chris Richardson

## A Few Campus Reminders

### ABSENCES

If you anticipate your child will be absent from school or arriving late, please advise the school office.

### CELL PHONES:

Students in grades K—6 are not allowed to carry cell phones and/or pagers at school unless the principal has given that student specific written approval. Applications for students to carry cell phones are available in the office. A new application must be submitted EACH year. Student and parent(s) must sign the application form AND attach a letter stating why the phone is necessary. Phones must be kept turned OFF at school.

### CLASSROOM ACCESS:

Classrooms will not be unlocked after school for ANY reason. Items left behind will have to wait until the next school day to be picked up.

### DROPPING OFF ITEMS:

All homework, projects or other materials forgotten at home must be delivered to the office. These items will be placed in the teacher’s mailbox. We DO NOT allow parents to interrupt class to deliver homework or other forgotten items.

### LUNCHES:

School lunches are \$3 Please make checks payable to “CNS” and make sure your child’s name AND room number are written on the “Memo” line at the bottom of the check. On-line payment is now available and can be accessed by going to the FUSD homepage Quicklinks and click on “My Nutrikids On-Line Meal Payment”.

**Please refrain** from sending glass containers with your child’s lunch. Glass bottles and bowls can accidentally break and injure students.

**Emergency Meals** are always available for students who lose or forget their lunch or lunch money. Payment is expected the next day. Only two (2) consecutive meals may be charged to your student’s account. Students will then be offered a cheese sandwich and milk until payment is received.

**Forgotten Lunches** should be brought directly to the office. Please make sure they are labeled with your child’s name and room number and leave it in the large blue basket just inside the office.

**ALL STUDENTS SHOULD COME TO THE OFFICE TO CHECK FOR FORGOTTEN LUNCHES BEFORE GOING TO THE CAFETERIA.**

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### RESTROOMS:

Only Mission Valley students are permitted to use the student restrooms on campus. Adults who wish to use the restrooms need to go to the office and use the restroom in the nurse’s room.

**\*\*Fremont Unified School District is part of a culturally and linguistically rich community. Our policies embrace a discrimination and harassment free environment. Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 protects people from discrimination based on sex in education programs or activities which receive Federal financial assistance. Title IX states that: No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.\*\***