

Mission Valley Parent Bulletin

Principal's Message

Well everyone...just six weeks of school before our summer break begins. I can tell you that I still get the same excited feeling when thinking of all the things that I hope to accomplish or do over the summer as I did when I was a student. Back then I always looked forward to staying up late, riding my bike, hanging out with friends and going to the beach. Oddly enough I still have the same aspirations for this summer with the exception of staying up late...I can barely keep my eyes open after 10 pm.

Even though some of us may be dreaming of our summer break we still have much to accomplish. Next week we celebrate our teaching staff with "Teacher Appreciation Week". This is a great time to reach out to your child's teacher and let them know what they mean to you and your family. They work hard and are dedicated to helping our kids become educated and responsible young adults.

Open House is also just a few weeks away. It will be held on May 19th from 6:30-7:30. This gives all of you an opportunity to see some of the great work your students have been producing as well as a chance to check out some other classrooms to see what is going on. Keep in mind that this isn't an opportunity to conference with your teacher about specifics so make sure to schedule an appointment if you need to so that the teacher can give you the time and attention you may need.

We have begun our SBAC testing in grades 3-6 and for the most part it's gone smoothly. The testing will continue throughout this month and each teacher should be communicating his or her individual class schedule directly with you. If you have any questions or concerns about the testing please let me know.

In addition we as a staff will be starting to create our classes for the 2015-16 school year. While there are many factors that we take into account when deciding upon placement we welcome parent feedback. Starting on May 11th you may come to the office and fill out our "Parent Application For Student Placement". It has specific instructions and details that help to explain the process of student placement. These forms are due back to us by Friday May 22nd.

And finally for those of you who may be wondering, my son selected TCU (Texas Christian University) in Fort Worth, Texas as his new "home" starting in August. I'm excited for him and hope that he continues to explore, discover and achieve.

As always thanks for your support.

Mike Pappas

Principal

Important Dates

- **Monday, 5/4 - Friday, 5/8:** Teacher Appreciation Week
- **Tuesday, 5/12:** MVSA Meeting, 7pm, rm 6
- **Tuesday, 5/19:** Open House and Science Fair, 6:30pm - 7:30pm
- **Wednesday, 5/20:** May Day Dances starting at 9am
Kinder Sneak Peek for Incoming Kinders, 12:30pm - 1:30pm
- **Friday, 5/22:** EARLY RELEASE DAY, Grades 1-6 get out of school at 1:10pm
- **Monday, 5/25:** NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day
- **Monday, 6/8 - Thursday, 6/11:** EARLY RELEASE DAYS, Grades 1-6 get out of school at 1:10pm
- **Tuesday, 6/9:** MVSA Meeting, 7pm, rm 6
- **Thursday, 6/11:** Last Day of School

Hopkins Music Events

Thursday, May 21

Elementary Bands of Gomes and Mission San Jose Elementary Schools, and Hopkins Concert Band

Wednesday, May 27

Elementary Bands of Chadbourne and Mission Valley Elementary Schools, and Hopkins Symphonic Band

Thursday, May 28

Elementary Orchestras of Chadbourne, Gomes, Mission San Jose and Mission Valley Elementary Schools, and Hopkins Intermediate Orchestra

Friday, May 29

Hopkins Jazz Workshop & Jazz Ensemble

Tuesday, June 2

Hopkins Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble

Thursday, June 4

Hopkins Intermediate Orchestra, Advanced Orchestra and Full Orchestra

All concerts will be held at 7 p.m. at Hopkins Gym (600 Driscoll Road). Questions?

Contact gconway@musicathopkins.com.

Proposed Core Novels for Grades 7-12

The FREMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT announces a list of proposed core novels for use in literature courses in grades 7-12 for the 2015-16 school year. These books are available for review by the public in the district's Curriculum and Instruction office before becoming a part of the curriculum. Please take the time to review the video and comment on the padlet link.

<https://vimeo.com/125618731>

NGSS Parent Info Night for Middle School

Tuesday, May 12th, 6:00-7:30, District Office PDC

Teacher leaders from the Middle School Subcommittee will provide an overview of the Next Generations Science Standards (NGSS), the timeline for implementation, and instructional shifts of NGSS. The recommended middle school integrated model will also be presented and discussed.

Mission Valley Website

For up to date information on events, policies, and other communications, please go to our website:

www.fremont.k12.ca.us/mve

Volunteers Needed: Local Control & Accountability Committee

As a requirement of the **Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)** and **Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)**, the District must form a LCAP District Advisory Committee. As stakeholders, the Advisory Committee's responsibility is to advise and give input into the District's Local Control and Accountability Plan regarding priorities and resources from the Local Control Funding Formula.

The members of the Local Control and Accountability Advisory Committee will serve a two-year term beginning in August 2015 and ending in June 2017. Applicants may not be an employee or member of the immediate family of a FUSD employee or Board Member. The membership of the Committee should reflect the diversity of the community and the student body, and have an interest in services and programs that support foster youth, English learners, and low-income students. The Governing Board will select up to eight (8) parent/community members and two (2) high school students to serve on its Local Control and Accountability Advisory Committee. The members of the Advisory Committee will be selected from those who apply for the position by filling out an application and submitting it to the Superintendent by the due date. All applications must be submitted in writing or by email **by 5:00 p.m., Friday, May 8, 2015** to:

**Office of the Superintendent
Fremont Unified School District
4210 Technology Dr.
Fremont, CA 94538**

Or sent via email to jmorris@fremont.k12.ca.us

For more information and to access the application, please visit the district's website at:

www.fremont.k12.ca.us

公告

尋求為「地方管制和問責諮詢委員會」服務的義工。

「地方管制資金公式」(Local Control Funding Formula, 簡稱LCFF)和「地方管制和問責計劃」(Local Control and Accountability Plan, 簡稱LCAP)要求學區必須成立一個LCAP學區諮詢委員會。做為利益相關人,此諮詢委員會的責任是對學區的地方管制和問責計劃,在地方管制資金公式的優先順序和資源上提供忠告和意見。

「地方管制和問責諮詢委員會」成員的任期由 2015 年 8 月起至 2017 年 6 月止為期二年。

Fremont 聯合學區的雇員或其直系親屬,和教育委員之直系親屬均不可參選。委員會的成員組合應該反映社區和學生群體的多元性,並關心對領養孩童,英語學習者和低收入學生的服務和方案。理事會將尋求多達八位家長/社區人士和二位高中生到地方管制和問責諮詢委員會服務。諮詢委員會的成員將從申請人中挑選。各申請人須在期限前填妥表格,遞交學區總監。所有書面或電郵申請表都必須在 2015 年 5 月 8 日星期五下午 5 點前送到:

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Fremont Unified School District
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或以電子郵件方式寄到 jmorris@fremont.k12.ca.us

若需更多資訊,或取得申請表,請參閱學區網站: www.fremont.k12.ca.us

Open Lotteries for Junior High—2015/16 School Year

Listed below you will find the schools and grades in which the District anticipates open spaces at the junior high school level for the 2015/16 school year:

Hopkins Jr. High - Grade 7

Walters Jr. High - Grade 7

The **2015/2016 Open Enrollment Lottery Application** will be available for pickup effective Monday, May 4, 2015 at the student's assigned home junior high school. The completed application form must be returned to the same junior high school no later than noon on Thursday, May 7, 2015 to be eligible to participate in the Open Enrollment Lottery.

Informational Flyers

The office is continually receiving information on activities and programs and contests being offered in the community. We do not send flyers home with students, but we do keep a supply of flyers inside the office on a literature rack for you to select those of interest to you and your child. Please be aware that Mission Valley does not endorse any of these programs; we are simply making this information available to you as a service.

Student Absences

It is that time of year when many students are absent from school, either from sickness or because of a family vacation.

Absence Due to Illness:

If your child will be absent from school, please report it as early as possible on the day of absence by dialing 510-656-2000 and following the prompts. Leave a message that includes your child's name, grade, teacher's name, and the reason for the absence. Parents must notify the school on each day the student is absent. If your child has a fever, he/she must be fever free without the use of medicine for 24 hours before returning to school. If your child has vomited, he/she must stay home for 48 hours after the vomiting has stopped. Illness is considered an excused absence and students will have the number of days missed to make up work.

Absence Due to Vacation:

Please notify the office as soon as you know you will be going on vacation. Please note that these types of absences are unexcused. This means that you will be getting an automated call from the District every day your child is absent. We can not turn these off even if you have notified us of the absence. When a student is absent for more than 10 continuous school days because of an unexcused absence the student will be withdrawn, and his/her seat may be given to another student. Upon return the student may be transferred to another school if classrooms at the school of original enrollment are full.

For more in-depth information about the District's attendance policy, please see pages 5 and 6 in the Parent/Guardian & Student Handbook that was handed out to every student on the first day of school.

TRAFFIC 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!!



Mission Valley Elementary

41700 Denise Street
Fremont, CA 94539

Contact Information:

Absence Line:
656-2000

Lunch Account Info:
656-2000 ext.34182

Website:
www.fremont.k12.ca.us/mve

Principal:
Mike Pappas

Secretary:
Cara Madden-Watson

Attendance Clerk:
Chris Richardson

****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.****

Important Campus Reminders

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 turned off during the school day.

CLASSROOM ACCESS:

Classrooms can only be opened by the teacher. Classrooms will not be unlocked by school staff 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 \$3.00. 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 this can be accessed by going to the FUSD homepage Quicklinks and clicking on "My Nutrikids On-Line Meal Payment".

Please refrain from sending glass containers in 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.

MORNING AND AFTERNOON PROCEDURES:

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 kindergarten teachers for more information on procedures.

Grades 4-6 can arrive on campus at 8:10am and grades 1-3 can arrive 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.**

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.