

Mission Valley Parent Bulletin

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Important Dates:

- 8/28-8/30: Early Release Days
- 9/2: No School—Labor Day
- 9/10: MVSA Meeting, 7pm
- 9/11-9/19: Book Fair
- 9/17: Back to School Night
- 9/18: District Facilities Meeting, 7pm

Principal's Message

Welcome to the 2013/2014 school year. We have a great year ahead with our students, parents, and Mission Valley community. I look forward to seeing many families and students on campus and at our Back To School Night.

Reminder to all families...the first three days of school are minimum days for our students in grades 1-6. Students will be dismissed at 1:10pm. Starting in September, every Wednesday is a school

wide early release day. Students in grades 1-6 are dismissed at 1:10pm.



Playground supervision begins at 8:10am for grades 4-6 and 8:20am for grades 1-3. We ask that you drop off you stu-

dents when there is supervision. Traffic is busy before and after school. We are always in need of parent volunteers to help with the traffic. Please contact MVSA if you are available to help with Safety Patrol. The safety of all our students is very important for us at Mission Valley.

Throughout the year, if any concerns or issues arise, please do not hesitate to contact me via email: geneieverandolph@fremont.k12.ca.us or by phone (510)656-2000. I am excited about this school year and look forward to seeing all of you.

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.



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 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.

Classroom Assignments

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 ad-**

dressed 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.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

- Dr. Seuss

Back to School Night

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 1-3 in classrooms

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

7:30pm-8:15pm- Grades k and 4-6 in classrooms

Enrolling in F.U.S.D.

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If you have friends, family or neighbors moving into Fremont, please let them know that students are no longer enrolled at the elementary school site. If they are currently

living in Fremont, they must begin the enrollment process online at www.fremont.k12.ca.us. Once they receive an email confirmation, they can contact Student Support Services to schedule

an appointment to complete the process. Centralized Enrollment staff may be reached at (510) 657-2350, extension 12202 and 12204.

Town Hall Meeting—Facilities Planning

PUBLIC FORUM on Long Range Facilities Planning for the Future of Our Schools

The Fremont Unified School District will hold five Town Hall Meetings in September to review proposed master plan recommendations for all of the sites in the District. These public forums will provide attendees with an oppor-

tunity for input on recommendations to modernize and improve the schools in each of the attendance areas.

The meetings will be held at five high schools. The discussion will include all schools within that attendance area. All Fremont residents are welcome, and FUSD families and employees are encouraged to attend.

The Mission Attendance Area meeting will take place at Mission San Jose High School in Cafeteria A on Wednesday, September 18 from 6-8:30pm.

If you have any questions, please contact Therese Gain, Director, Facilities at 657-0761 or tgain@fremont.k12.ca.us

CELDT 2013-14

The State of California mandates that the California English Language Development Test (CELDT) be given to students who speak another language when they first enter a California public school. This test identifies students who are English learners (limited in English proficiency) so that schools may immediately provide

appropriate instruction to meet their needs. The CELDT must also be given to all English learners every year to monitor their progress in learning English and to help evaluate the programs they receive. The test has four parts: Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing. For the 2013/2014 school year, Fremont Unified will be giving this test starting October 1 until October

31, 2013. Additionally, we found some students who were never initially tested upon registration. These students will also

be tested during this time frame. If you have any questions about the test, please call the Language Assessment Center at (510) 659-2564.

Parent Representative Advisory Assembly

The Parent Representative Advisory Assembly (PRAA) provides a place for parents to discuss important district issues with other involved parents, to advise the Superintendent about issues of interest to parents and to bring timely, accurate information from the district back to their school sites. A PRAA representative and an alternate are elected from each school site. PRAA will meet on a quarterly basis with the Superintendent.

The term of appointment is 2 years. A member may be eligible for reappointment.

PRAA meetings are held in the FUSD Professional Development Center at 4210 Technology Drive. Please check the FUSD website for the meeting dates.

All parents are welcome to apply. Whether you are a parent of a new kindergarten student or the parent of a student preparing to graduate, your perspective and ideas are valuable.

The PRAA has provided key input into Board decisions and policies on safety/emergency readiness, equity issues and communication.

The PRAA also has advised the District and informed parents about many other issues including: testing, budgets, curriculum, technology, and bullying.

To apply to represent your school on Parent Representative Advisory Assembly, please complete an application form and return it to your school office. For more information please contact your principal, visit the FUSD website.



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656-2000

Lunch Account Info:
656-2000 ext.34182

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

Principal:
Genevieve Randolph

Secretary:
Cara Madden-Watson

Attendance Clerk:
Chris Richardson

A Few 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 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 \$2.75. 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 now available and this 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.

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.