



PANDA PRESS



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear College Park families,

I hope all of you had a wonderful time during the long Labor Day weekend. Please help me to welcome our new teachers, Ms. Celine Chang, Ms. Charlene Ho, Ms. Yaou Liu, and Ms. Stacey Mahon! This year, we also have a certified P.E. coach, Mr. Raphael Harris to coach our students on Tuesdays, Fridays and half day on Wednesdays. Please also help me to welcome our new school counselor, Ms. Badia Siddiqi, who will offer professional counseling on Mondays.

Your support goes a long way in further elevating our school to new levels of excellence. Recruiting for an immersion school is extra challenging due to the fact that many of our teachers not only need certification in their various subjects, but also in Mandarin instruction. We all share the goal of ensuring that our students achieve their very best potential. A great working relationship between teachers and parents/guardians not only helps us maintain a low turnover rate with our teaching staff, but most importantly, benefits our students by furthering the College Park tradition of excellence in education!

Steven Chuang

GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

For students who test extremely high (98-99%ile nationally), there is the opportunity to transfer to a specialized district class or cluster group (currently housed at College Park Elementary or Bayside STEM Academy). Assessments that determine eligibility for placement in those classes (beginning in the 2017-2018 school year) will be held on Saturday, November 5 or Saturday, November 19. For more details, please go to the following link:

<http://www.smfcsd.net/en/academic-services-and-student-learning/programs/gifted-and-talented-education.html>

STUDENT LUNCHES

Lunches cost \$2.50 including milk. All students will have a lunch card in the cafeteria.

Parents can prepay at www.myschoolbucks.com or in the office. Reminder: no lunches on Wednesdays. Lunch applications are available in the office.

Eligible students may receive a reduced price or free lunch but they must be PREAPPROVED. Until parents receive notice of approval, please send a lunch or lunch money with your student. Approval takes approximately four (4) weeks.

EXPECTATIONS FOR MANDARIN HELP IN THE LIBRARY

Students show up no earlier than 7:30 a.m.; During the afternoon session between 2:00 pm and 2:45p.m, student(s) must be accompanied by their guardians/parents

- Students will always demonstrate quiet and respectful behavior when studying in the library
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No food or beverage is allowed

CALENDAR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>
9/5	ALL DAY	LABOR DAY, NO SCHOOL
9/6	8:30 AM	PARENT VOLUNTEERS TRAINING MORNING SESSION *
9/6	5:30 PM	PARENT VOLUNTEERS TRAINING AFTERNOON SESSION *
9/6	6:30 PM	PTA MEETING (GYM)
9/13	6:30 PM	ELAC (GYM)
9/23	ALL DAY	5TH GRADE FIELD TRIP
9/23	6:00 PM	PIZZA BINGO NIGHT
9/28	8:15 AM	CONFUCIUS DAY
10/16	1:00 PM-4:00 PM	FAMILY FUN DAY @ LAURELWOOD PARK
10/24-10/28	ALL DAY	INTERSESSION, NO SCHOOL
10/29	TBA	CAMPUS CLEANUP
10/31	ALL DAY	NO SCHOOL

*For Parent Volunteers Training, there is baby sitting in Room 2

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