



Spotlights

Monta Loma Elementary



Wednesday, August 23rd, 2017.

Core value of the month: Respect

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As I write today's message, we have just finished our eclipse observation. What a treat it was to take experience this live astronomical event with our whole school. We are grateful for partners like Google and Nasa who made viewing glasses or live streaming available for our students.

With a week under our belts, I have a few gentle reminders for you regarding student pick up and dismissal. Thank you for your careful driving through our loops and on surrounding streets.

- The loop in front of the field by the kinder classrooms is for buses only.
- The office loop has two lanes closest to the office. One is for pickup and drop off and the other is for passing.
- The loop in front of the office closest to the street is also for pick up and drop off. Parking is only allowed in the painted spaces. There is no parking along the curb in the loops.
- Watch for students and families crossing the walkway.
- Please make sure your student knows how you would like them to get home, especially if it is different than usual. If your plans change unexpectedly, let the office know as soon as possible through email or a directly conversation. Phone messages may not be received in time.

The Leopard Way

Hopefully by now you have heard Monta Loma is implementing Responsive Classroom approaches to support our school culture and climate. Part of that approach includes being explicit with expectations for behavior. The Leopard Way is a being modeled by teachers and staff to support students in showing respect, responsibility, and compassion in all areas of our school. You can see the expectations at this [link](#). Copies are also available in the office.

In partnership,

Gloria

NEWS FROM THE PTA

Be sure to stop by the PTA table at **Back to School Night**, Wed 8/23, for spirit wear, info on after school programs, upcoming events, and more.

Looking to get make a difference? Principal Higgins has been working closely with PTA on ways families can support and enrich our school community. Whether it is volunteering in the classroom, during school events or behind the scenes, there are countless opportunities big and small to show our children how rewarding being a part of MontaLoma is. Please reach out to us anytime at montalomapta@gmail.com

Ways to donate – this week's feature is eScrip - If you haven't signed up for eScrip yet, please take a few minutes and do so. Watch this short [Video](#) - spend 2 minutes today and support Monta Loma School PTA all year long! If you already have an eScrip account, make sure your credit, debit and store rewards cards are up to date.

Group name: Monta Loma School PTA
Group ID: 141470445

Check our [Fundraiser page](#) for more on eScrip and other merchant donation programs.

Donating Eclipse Glasses

PTA is receiving donated eclipse glasses. If you are willing to donate your eclipse glasses, please bring them to the ML front office and place them in the blue top container.

For more information click [HERE](#).

NEWS FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

MVWSD seeks parents, staff and community members for new Task Force groups

Task Force members lend perspective and expertise to important district work that benefits our students. Please consider serving on one of these groups, and let us know by Aug. 30 by completing an application here: <https://www.mvwsd.org/about/committees>.

Specifically, MVWSD is seeking parents from all schools, as well as MVWSD staff members. Spanish interpretation will be provided, if needed.

These committees will begin meeting in the coming weeks.

Wellness Advisory Committee

Enrollment Priorities Task Force

Budget Advisory Committee

Click here for tasks, details and requirements for each of these groups <https://www.mvwsd.org/about/committees>

Help MVEF Raise Money by Dining Out!

Thanks to our partners, you can present this flyer

here http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/2d55d8_175b20ab2a5b4730ae35b0d9dcf823a2.pdf (on your phone or printed) to the restaurants listed below during the day and time listed, and 15-20% of your bill will be donated to the Mountain View Educational Foundation! It's that easy!

- 8/24 All Day - Baskin Robbins, 1249 W. El Camino Real, Mountain View
- 8/24 from 4-10 pm - Frankie, Johnnie & Luigi Too! Mountain View
- 8/26 from 7:30 am to 2:30 pm - Hobee's Restaurant on Central Expressway
- 8/29 All Day - The Counter Mountain View
- 8/30 All Day - Eureka! Mountain View

Can't join us but want to help? Text MVEF to 50155 or go to mvef.org/donations

Test score reports coming home soon

Each spring, California students participate in the statewide testing program, the [California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress \(CAASPP\)](#). The tests in CAASPP provide information to teachers, parents/guardians, and students about grade-level progress and readiness for college and career. Your child's score report has been or will be sent home to you as it's received from the state. Look for your child's score report to come home in the mail to you in the next couple of weeks.

To see how to read the report, see this video here:

[Understanding Student Score Reports - English](#)

Mentor Tutor Connection Volunteer Information Open House - September 13th

Thinking about how you can make a difference in the life of a student in our community?

Mentor Tutor Connection needs **Mentors for High School students** and **Tutors for K- 8 students** in Los Altos and Mountain View schools.

All volunteers must be high school graduates.

There is no obligation to sign up as a volunteer. You're welcome to just come and learn more about what we do.

Date: Wednesday, September 13th

Time: 12:00 - 1:00 pm (*lunch included*)

Location: El Camino YMCA 2400 Grant Road, Mountain View, CA

Register: [REGISTER ONLINE](#)

Questions: programs@mentortutorconnection.org

CALENDAR

TODAY Wednesday, August 23, 2017

MINIMUM DAY/STUDENT DISMISSAL AT 12:30pm

ML: New Parent Orientation @ Library, 5:00 – 6:00 pm

ML: Back to School Night @ Blacktop, 6:00 – 7:55 pm
Event for parents only.

General meeting starting at 6:00 pm at the blacktop.

1st classroom visit at 6:30 - 7:10 pm.

2nd classroom visit at 7:15 - 7:55 pm.

Monday, August 28, 2017

ML Lego Robotics (Advanced) Starts @ Computer Lab, 3:15 – 5:00 pm
(Enrollment was done by invitation only)

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

ML School Site Council @ Library, 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Scratch After School Program Starts for 4th and 5th Grade, @ Room TBD, 3:15 - 4:45pm

ML ELAC @ Library, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Monday, September 4, 2017

Labor Day/No School Day

FLYERS

[Parent's Guide to Emergency School Evacuation](#)

[Interpreters Needed](#)

[ML After School Chorus](#)

[Lego Robotics Enrollment Form](#)

[ML Scratch After School Program Enrollment Form](#)

[CSMA Fall Classes](#)

[Menu](#)

[MVWSD 2017-2018 School Calendar](#)

[MVLA Parent Education Speaker Series](#)

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[Annual Firefighters Pancake Breakfast](#)