



Spotlights

Monta Loma Elementary



Wednesday, August 30th, 2017.

Core value of the month: Respect

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Monta Families,

Leopard Leaders and Core Value of the Month

Thank you for your continued partnership in our students' growth and learning. At Monta Loma, developing character is a vital part of the work we do. We have a long tradition sharing our five core values to promote healthy choices and positive relationships among all the members of our community. Our core values of character are respect, responsibility, courage, compassion, and hard work.

We focus specifically on one core value per month to share our expectations and to recognize leaders on our campus who demonstrate strong character. Each month, two students per classroom are selected as Monta Loma Leopard Leaders. Leopard Leaders are recognized at a Leopard Launch once a month. Our first Leopard Leader recognition will be on September 11th.

For August and September our focus core value is respect. Respect can be shown by being considerate of other's feelings, using good manners, dealing peacefully with disagreements, and honoring the work time of others. You can help promote the value of respect by talking about it in your family and recognizing your child or others when they show it.

Gentle Reminders and Notices.

Thank you for your careful driving on campus and for helping keep our students safe by following these guidelines.

- Now that we have the drive loops painted, only the loop closest to the office be used for drop off and pick up. The loop closest to the street is only used if you are parking.
- Please honor handicap spaces and reserve them for those with placards.
- 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.
- Student supervision begins at 7:50. Do not drop students off before then. Students on campus before 7:50 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Supervision between 7:50 and 8:15 is at the picnic tables in front of the kinder classrooms. After 8:15 supervision is on the blacktop.

We appreciate your flexibility with adjusted routines as construction progresses.

In partnership,

Gloria

NEWS FROM THE PTA

Mark your calendar. Next Principal's Coffee / PTA Association Meeting will be Sept 29 @ 8:35 in the library. We need your input as we plan the coming year's events and budget!

Thank you everyone who participated in the MVEF eateries fundraiser last week! MVEF brings art, music and science enrichment into elementary and middle school classrooms across the district. <http://www.mvef.org/>

Ways to donate – this month'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 <http://www.escrip.com/jsp/r.jsp?mode=SupporterHelps&gid=141470445> - 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.

Thank you to everyone who stopped by our table at Back to School Night. It was great to meet new families and catch up with old friends. Please reach out to us anytime at montalomapta@gmail.com

Box Tops Fundraising is about to get started! Your students should be bringing home collection sheets and there will be a contest to see which classroom can collect the most Box Tops by October 27th. The winning class will get a very special surprise so start clipping! Please see the attached flyers for more information. Questions? Email Angie Frassel at afrassel@mvwsd.org.

Attention Monta Loma Parents! Are you looking for a way to volunteer without being physically on campus? Your PTA is actively looking for a dynamic parent volunteer willing to be the point-person for all our PTA-sponsored after-school programs, communicate with vendors and work with administration to organize enrichment schedules. Please email Shanna Bengtson at shannamaybe@gmail.com or montalomapta@gmail.com if you'd like more information.

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](#) to the restaurant listed below during the day and time listed, and 15-20% of your bill will be donated to the Mountain View Educational Foundation!

• 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

Workshops

Wed. September 20, 2017, 7–9 PM, Santa Rita Elementary

Challenges of Dyslexia Join Lindamood-Bell Center Director, Leila MacCurrach, for a conversation about how intensive instruction that builds the imagery-language foundation can enable students of all backgrounds and prior diagnoses to learn to read and comprehend to their potential. Lindamood-Bell's intensive, one-to-one, process-based instruction has been used to strengthen the sensory-cognitive functions needed for reading and comprehension. The method has been proven successful for individuals with learning challenges, including dyslexia, hyperlexia, ADHD, and ASD.

Mon. September 11, 2017, 10AM-12PM, Los Altos Library

Let's Talk A chance to ask questions and share ideas, resources, and support with other parents of students with IEPs, 504s, learning differences, mental health challenges, etc.

All are welcome, participants must respect confidentiality.

Tue. September 12, 2017, 7PM-8:30PM, Los Altos Library

Parent Chat Are you concerned about the emotional well-being of your child? Come to Parent Chat, peer to peer support for parents of teens. Hosted by the Mental Health Subcommittee of SELPA 1 CAC.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Scratch After School Program Starts for 4th and 5th Grade, @ Room 22, 3:15 - 4:45pm

ML ELAC @ Library, 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Monday, September 4, 2017

Labor Day/No School Day

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

ML Soccer After School Program Starts @ Soccer Field

Kindergarten from 2:30 to 3:30 pm

1st - 5th grade from 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

ML CSMA Art Club (3rd - 5th Grade) Starts @ Room 2, 3:10 to 4:15pm

Thursday, September 14, 2017

ML CSMA Art Club (K-2nd Grade) Starts @ Room 2, 1:00 – 2:00pm

Friday, September 22, 2017

ML Fall Picture Day

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

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

Wednesday, September 27, 2017

ML ELAC @ Library, from 6:00 to 7:30pm

Friday, September 29, 2017

Mustache Day

ML Coffee with the Principal/PTA Meeting @ Library, 8:35 to 9:35 am

FLYERS

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

[Interpreters Needed](#)

[ML After School Chorus](#)

[Lego Robotics Enrollment Form](#)

[CSMA Fall Classes](#)

[Menu](#)

[MVWSD 2017-2018 School Calendar](#)

[Workshop for Parents](#)

[MVLA Parent Education Speaker Series](#)

[Annual Firefighters Pancake Breakfast](#)

[Box Tops for Education](#)

[ML Classroom with the Most Box Tops](#)