



MOUNT EAGLE MESSENGER

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Principal's Message

Dear Families and Friends,

We are so excited about our new "After School Enrichment Program." Many staff members have volunteered to share their talents with our students. You should have already seen a form that is used for parents to sign their child up for the clubs, and there was a description given of each club. We want as many students as possible to attend the program. It is very important that parents pick their child up at school, at 4 PM on the day of the club that your child will be attending. If you should have any questions, please call Christy Land at (703)721-2122.

We are encouraging you to come to our next PTO meeting, which is on Monday, October 15th, at 6:30 PM in the Library. Mrs. Lee Ann Sklar is our new president and Mrs. Keanna Saunders is our vice-president. They are eager and ready to lead our new PTO. We would love to see you there! We know that you are the key to your child's success. It is so important that we are a team working together for your child.

We are fast approaching the end of the first quarter. Many of you have already met with your child's teacher. Please be aware of the Teacher Conference Days that will be held on November 5th and 6th. If you need to contact us before then, our lines are always open.

Brian Butler, Principal
Dawn Hendrick, Assistant Principal

Counselor's Corner

Welcome back...this school year is off to a busy and exciting start. The Counseling and Guidance Program at Mt. Eagle is well underway for this 2007-2008 school year. In September, I visited each classroom to do an introductory guidance lesson with a focus on cooperation & teamwork. During the month of October, the guidance focus will be bullying.



A couple of small groups have already begun. The "Friendly Helpers" group began in September. This is a peer- helping group and consists of several fifth grade students. These students are **Marhsae Dobson, Karla Romero, Angie Canales, William Ferguson, Sebastian Walters, & Bryan Guterrez**. The Mt. Eagle "Character Club" also began in September. Members of this group are **Shelby Brooks, Kenia Lazo, Marcela Segovia, Brian Umana, Brian Salazar, & Jonathan Ramsey**. These students assist with the Character Education program at our school. The character trait for September was RESPONSIBILITY, and the character trait for October is RESPECT. Our Peer Mediators this year are **Dominique Chirino, Anthony DePalma, Cheyenne Smith, & Jaqueline Lopez-Zepeda**. These students have been trained in conflict resolution and are available to help students solve problems in a peaceful manner. Girls on the Run began in September. The girls on the run girls are working hard to prepare for their 5K race in December! Girl Power! begins on October 11.

Beginning in October I will be offering several small counseling groups. These groups are Cool as a Cucumber (Anger Group), Diverse Dwellings (Divorce

Group), You're Extra Special (Self-Esteem), Go-Getters (Motivation/Success), Keepin' It Together (Organization/Study Skills, & Chillin' Chicas/Chocos (Social Skills/Friendship). Please feel free to contact me if you feel that one of these groups would benefit your child.

Mount Eagle is pleased to announce that we will be offering an After School Enrichment Program! This program is perfect for students who want to extend their learning pass the school day, and participate in learning after school. Course offerings range from sports to cooking...so there is a class for every student! Please refer to the registration forms that each student brought home for further detailed information.

I look forward to working with you and your family.



Christy Land
School Counselor
703-721-2122



The 5th & 6th grade chorus will be performing at Edison High School on Wednesday, October 24, 2007. The concert starts at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Field House. Come support our 5th and 6th graders and enjoy a free concert!

CLINIC NEWS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I have been doing vision and hearing screening tests on students in kindergarten, third grade and those new to Fairfax County schools. If your child fails these tests, you will be notified. If you have other children that you would like me to test, please call me, or stop by the clinic anytime.

Mrs. Montano
Clinic Room Aide
703 721-2110



The Eagle's Wings Story

Eagle's Wings is an evening one-on-one tutoring program for elementary children. It is a community outreach program of Calvary Presbyterian Church for students from Mount Eagle Elementary School, which is next door to the church. Tutoring is held on the lower level of Calvary every Wednesday evening October through May on days when school is in session.

The program started as an after school recreational program that began in the mid 1980s. In 1989, realizing that academic need was greater, the Eagle's Wings program shifted to a one-on-one tutoring program. As the program grew, other churches and community members volunteered their time as tutors.

Currently the tutoring program takes place on Wednesday evenings. There are 26 students and 26 tutors. A van transports most students from their homes to the church, and back home. We want to thank these volunteers who take time out of their busy lives to be part of our Mount Eagle Family.



Computer Learning Month Head Start Awareness Month	
15	PTO Meeting 6:30 PM Custodial Appreciation Week National School Lunch Week
22	National School Bus Safety Week
23	National Red Ribbon Week
24	Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence in Virginia
29	Rolling Bowling Week
30	School picture make-ups (morning)