



ANNA KIRCHGATER ELEMENTARY

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NO Excuses
Go to School

October 1, 2009

Monthly Update

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School Hours

ALL 1st-6th Grades: 8:10 AM-2:30 PM

AM Kinder: 8:10 AM—11:41 AM

PM Kinder: 10:59 AM - 2:30 PM

Minimum Day Schedule

1ST—6TH 8:10 A.M.—12:40 P.M. All KINDER 8:10 A.M.—11:41 A.M.

Anna Kirchgater is going “GREEN”

Beginning November 2009, our Monthly Update will be available on our website .

Please visit us at www.egusd.net/kirchgater.

A Message From The Principal

Dear Kirchgater Parents/Guardians:

Thank you all for a wonderful start to our school year! We have begun the important process of educating your child and ensuring the best possible academic program to support your child with success in school. I want to thank all our parents who volunteered for one or more of our PTC events and school committees. Your support is invaluable in the planning and hard work necessary to bring you events like our Harvest Fair, Family Nights, and our Spring Carnival. In addition, your participation sends a very positive message to your child about how important school is.

During the month of September, the State released STAR test score results for testing that took place in the spring for grades 2-6 along with Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and Academic Performance Index (API) results. Although our students showed a strong increase in English Language Arts, we did not meet the current Federal Requirements for AYP. As result, we are now in our first year of Program Improvement (PI). This status requires us to continue to develop and improve our instructional program and work closely as a staff and community to have a strong accountability process at our school. During the next few months, we will be bringing you additional information to further discuss this status and what it means for our students. Please be re-assured that along with our School Site Council's support, we will establish a rigorous plan for looking at results and using this information to improve the important work we do teaching your children.

Along with our rigorous instructional program, Anna Kirchgater will continue the following programs so to ensure that ALL students succeed:

We will continue our Extended Day intervention programs, including our after-school Math Lab, an English Learner Homework Lab, and Intersession.

We will continue our Prevention Intervention Program to provide positive school behavior support and citizenship for all students. We are continuing a number of staff development activities to train our teachers on meeting the needs of diverse students in the areas of math and reading through our Site Support Team process and Trainer of Trainer programs.

We will continue our after-school sports and music programs to meet the needs of those students whose academic success is increased through involvement in these types of activities.

We are developing a number of programs to provide parent training and support to you as you work with your child at home on homework, social skills, etc.

We are looking forward to an exciting year with many great successes. Please feel free to contact me or your child's teacher if you have any questions or needs. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Larry Quismondo, Principal



Lunch Accounts

Don't forget you can check on your child's lunch account by going to www.myLunchMoney.com. The service is easy to use, convenient, private and secure. If you haven't enrolled yet for the program just go online and enroll and start using the site to deposit funds into your child's account today. Once your account is established you can check balances and fund the account anytime.

Visitors on Campus

Parents, when visiting on campus, please remember to sign-in at the office first and get a visitor's badge. This is for the safety of all students. Any visitor without a pass will be asked to return to the office.

Attendance Help

Parents, if your child is absent from school, please GIVE the school office a call at 689-9150 or send a note with your child the first day back at school. This really helps us in our documentation for state funding. If we don't hear from you after 3 days we have to mark your child as a truant. A pattern of poor attendance will result in a School Attendance Review Board (SARB) letter sent to you.

PARKING

Please, please park in regularly designated parking spaces only. This helps to keep flow of traffic in the parking lots moving smoothly. For safety reasons, **do not** park along Power Inn Road to drop off or pick up students. **Do not** park in the disabled space without the proper decal. Also, please do not leave your car unattended in our driveways to walk you child to class. Please find an available space if you plan to leave your car. The front parking lot is reserved for Kinder pick up and drop off.

OFFICE HOURS

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Principal: Larry Quismondo
Vice Principal: Peter Lew
Secretary: Josette Portee
School Office Assistants: Dianna Berg
Carmen Macias
Kitchen Lead: Dale Paoloni
Lead Custodian: Rod Huston

S.H.A.R.E.S. CARDS COME TO AK!

Parents: If you shop at Save Mart, Smart Foods, Food Maxx or Lucky stores, please stop by the office and pick up a SHARES Card to swipe when you shop. If you use this card that is registered to our school, we receive up to 3% of your grocery spending. We are limited to 250 cards so please pick yours up in the office or have your child request one from his/her teacher.



Anna Kirchgater

Fundraiser Kickoff

Wednesday, October 21, 2009—Tracks B & C
All monies due: Wednesday, November 4



Acceptable Donations

Classroom donations are always needed and appreciated. Some items to consider:

- >Highlighter Pens
- >Extra Binder Paper
- >Post-it notes
- >Glue/Glue sticks
- >Colored Pencils
- >Fine Point markers
- >Sharpie Pens
- >Tissue (Kleenex)
- >Waterless anti-bacterial soap
- >Hand sanitizer
- >Baby/Wet wipes

Dates to remember:



- 10/7 7:30—8:15 a.m. Breakfast Club/Library
- 10/15 4:30—5:30 p.m. School Site Council/Library
- 10/15 5:30—7:00 p.m. PTC Board Meeting
- 10/19 6:00—9:00 p.m. START 'Celebration of Lights'/MP
- 10/20 10:00—12:00 Picture Make-up Day/Track C
- 10/21 Fundraiser Kickoff—Tracks B & C
- 10/29 2:50—4:30 p.m. Talent Show—Dress Rehearsal
- 10/30 5:30—7:30 p.m. Harvest Faire—Bringing Families Together—MP
- 10/30 Track Change Day—Min Day