

April 9, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians:

### **Around Willow Canyon**

Thank you for the great support for our amazing teachers during teacher appreciation week!

We appreciate all of the books that were sent for the book swap. Thank you Student Council, this was a fun activity!

It's great to be back in school after spring break. Attendance is very important now through the end of the year. There are still a lot of standard core concepts left to learn and standardized testing starting in May to measure student progress through the school year. We are focused on making sure that every student makes progress and experiences the most growth possible during the school year. We provide assistance for all learners, we support students who need additional instruction in reading and math in what we call Tier 2 instruction. This provides students who are struggling with additional instruction that has been planned to meet their learning needs. We also provide opportunities for students to participate in learning opportunities to extend their learning. These services are paid for by School Trust LAND funding. This is additional funding through the State that helps us differentiate instruction for students to help them all make growth. We submit a plan for these funds every spring and have completed the plan for next school year. We have four reading interventionists, two math interventionists, and one behavior interventionist who work collaboratively with teachers, the achievement coach, and principal to plan instruction and assist students with the increased support they need. This team works to provide increased support for students through out the school year. We have amazing teachers who provide excellent instruction and guidance for providing interventions for students. We are grateful for this increased funding and support for students. We also appreciate the support we receive from home with reading during the week and math fact practice. It takes all of us working together to ensure all students are successful. The link to the School LAND Trust is below if you would like more information.

<http://www.schoollandtrust.org>

It's time for **fifth grade families** to attend the **Maturation Programs** the District offers. The dates and times are listed on the District's website. The dates are also in the important dates section below. The link to the District site is below.

<http://www.canyonsdistrict.org/district-news/item/11895-growing-up-fifth-grade-students-and-their-parents-invited-to-maturation-program>

## **PTA and SCC News**

### **PTA newsletter**

<https://willowcanyon.canyonsdistrict.org/index.php/pta>

Meeting dates for School Community Council (SCC) are below, all meetings are in the conference room.

- October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM – the minutes are attached to the SCC page on our website.
- November 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM- the minutes are attached to the SCC page on our website.
- January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM- this meeting has been canceled, we plan to meet on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>
- February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM – the minutes are attached to the SCC page on our website.
- March 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM – the minutes are attached to the SCC page on our website.
- April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM

Web address for Internet safety information. We have scheduled a Netsmartz assembly to learn more about Internet safety.

<https://www.commonsemmedia.org/video/advice/digital-citizenship>

**Have a great week!**

**Marilyn Williams**

## Important Dates

### Save the date!

- Our annual Festival of the Arts will be on Thursday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM more information to come!

**Please register to be a volunteer before helping with a field trip or in classrooms. Approval of the application may take up to three days. We are unable to allow anyone who hasn't completed this process to help with student activities.**

**Volunteer link** <https://foundation.canyonsdistrict.org/index.php/volunteer>

**Testing Information – Attendance between now and the end of the school year is very important. There has been a lot of illness so we have some catch up work to complete. We want to make sure that your child is well prepared and ready to be successful.**

**Starting the first week in May we have end of year testing.**

- The SAGE test for third grade through fifth grade testing reading and math with science tests for fourth and fifth grades will be given during the month of May. You will receive a notice from your child's teacher with more information.
- There will be DIBELS reading and math testing for second grade through fifth grade on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> and for kindergarten and first grade students on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**The best way you can help your child be successful during testing is encouraging them to get enough sleep on school nights and eat breakfast in the morning. We serve breakfast at school starting at 7:50 AM if this is helpful. Thank you for your help with supporting your child. We want them to feel confident and well prepared!**

Wednesday, April 11

- 4<sup>th</sup> grade fieldtrip to The Natural History Museum
- PTA meeting at 10:00 AM in the conference room.
- Girl's Maturation Program at Butler Middle School from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Thursday, April 12

- School Community Council Meeting at 6:00 PM in the conference room
- Boy's Maturation Program at Butler Middle School from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Wednesday, May 2

- PTA meeting at 10:00 AM in the conference room

Thursday, May 24

- Kindergarten field trip to Wheeler Farm

Friday, May 25

- Orchestra Concert at 10:00 AM for school and parents

Monday, May 28

- Memorial Day no school

Tuesday, May 29

- Orchestra Concert 6:30 PM for parents

Wednesday, May 30

- Mrs. Jensen's third grade class field trip to Buttercup Park

Thursday, May 31

- Annual Festival of the Arts! Starts at 5:30 PM and goes until 7:30 PM. This is our annual fundraiser for the school. All proceeds go toward purchasing a chrome book lab for the school.

Friday, June 1

- Last school day of attendance for kindergarten students. Students will have individual appointments to take the KEEP test with their teachers through the last week of school.
- Choir Assembly at 9:00 AM

Tuesday June 5

- Fifth Grade Graduation at 8:30 AM
- Mrs. Winter's class field trip to Wildflower Park.
- Last day lunch money can be taken. Please make sure there isn't a balance owing on lunch accounts. Also, please pay for June 6<sup>th</sup> in advance.

Wednesday, June 6

- PTA meeting in the conference room at 10:00 AM
- Last day lunch is served. Lunch money can't be turned in this day. **Any lunch money turned in after June 5<sup>th</sup>** will have to be taken to Canyons District Office at 9361 South 300 East. The phone number to the Nutrition Department is 801-826-5381.

Thursday, June 7

- Last day of school, the time is 8:15 AM until 12:20 PM. Neither breakfast nor lunch will be served.

## Daily School Schedule

### First grade through Fifth Grade Schedule:

- The first bell rings at 8:15 a.m. and the tardy bell rings at 8:20 a.m., school gets out at 2:55 p.m. Monday through Thursday.
- The schedule for Friday is from 8:20 a.m. until 1:15 p.m.
- **Supplemental Kindergarten** follows the school's schedule for first grade through fifth grade.

### Kindergarten Schedule:

- The AM session is 8:20 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday. The schedule for Friday is 8:20 a.m. until 10:20 a.m.
- The PM session is 12:15 p.m. until 2:55 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The schedule for Friday is 11:15 a.m. until 1:15 p.m.