

September 10, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Around Willow Canyon

We are getting settled into the school year. Thank you for all of the support you provide at home with nightly reading and homework. Willow Canyon's students make great progress and growth each year. The commitment we have as a community to support teachers and students makes a big difference for both achievement and behavior at school. Parent teacher conferences are coming up at the end of the month where you can discuss your child's strengths and needs giving you and the teacher the opportunity to set your child up for success. We will be participating in reading and math assessments this month and will have some good information to discuss during conferences. You can sign up for an appointment online.

Thank you for helping us during drop off and pick up times in the morning and afternoon, we appreciate your efforts. Students line up on the south and west sides of the building, vehicles can't enter any of these areas, there isn't any access. Vehicles can drive into the north side of the building by the dumpster and bike rack. There are a lot of students in this area taking their bikes to the bike rack and older students using this side of the building to walk to where they line up. We also have safety patrol students helping in this area. Please don't drive into this area or use it as a drop off or pick up area. We have asked the district delivery and garbage trucks to come either very early or after school starts for the same reason. We are trying to keep all vehicles away from areas where the students are walking to get to where they line up in the morning or leave in the afternoon. We appreciate your help!

Important reminders and links.

- Nutrition, breakfast and lunch menus and prices.

<https://canyonsdistrict.nutrislice.com/menu/willow-canyon>

- Please, sign up to volunteer. This is an annual process, it must be completed every year before adults can volunteer in classrooms. District policy requires all adults who volunteer in schools to complete the volunteer registration process. Please complete this process for everyone in your family who would like to volunteer in classrooms. This must also be completed before family members can help with field trips. It can take up to 48 hours for this process to be completed and individuals are registered and approved to volunteer. If you complete this process now, you are set for the school year.

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

PTA and SCC News

The PTA Board

- Co-Presidents: Lauren Litson and Rebecca Leick
- Treasure: Racheal DeAzevedo
- Membership: Amourette Bradley

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to be room parents! The planning meeting with teachers is scheduled for Thursday, September 20th at 3:00 PM in the library.

The link to the PTA Newsletter

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

We have a fabulous School Community Council. **If you would like to serve on this Council, please stop by the office and pick up a School Community Council Candidate Form.** As a SCC member you will help us with our Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP) and our School LAND Trust Plan that provides support and funding for our school improvement efforts. We value parent input and the SCC provides this opportunity.

Have a great week!

Marilyn Williams

Save the Date

- Friday, October 5th the PTA Fun Run fundraiser in the morning
- Tuesday, November 20th is Career Day, parents come to school and teach us about their profession. We always enjoy this activity and have fun learning about all of the great places parents work. If you would like to participate, plan on being at the school from 8:00 AM until about 11:00 AM. This is one of our favorite activities!

Every month is perfect attendance month! We will start next Monday for September! We are having a No Tardy Party for students who go the whole grading period without being tardy. The parties will be on November 30th, March 15th, and May 31st during lunch recess.

Important Dates

Monday, September 10

- Picture day in the gym
- Pictures will be back in two weeks. Picture make up day is October 8th

Tuesday, September 11

- DIBELS testing for reading and math for kindergarten through second grade students

Thursday, September 13

- DIBELS testing for reading and math for students in third grade through fifth grade

Monday, September 17

- Hearing screening, we need volunteers
- 4th grade field trip to Red Butte Garden at 8:45 AM
- Fun Run Kick Off Assembly at 2:15 PM

Thursday, September 20

- Room parent meeting at 3:00 PM in the media center/library

Friday, September 21

- Data day, students do not attend school this day

Wednesday, September 26

- Parent teacher conferences

Thursday, September 27

- Parent teacher conferences
- This is also an **early out day**, follow the Friday schedule

September 28

- Students do not attend school

October 1

- Netsmartz assembly, teaching the students about internet safety

October 4

- Kindergarten Field Trip, Tracy Aviary 9:30 AM – 12:45 PM

October 5

- PTA Fun Run in the morning!

Daily School Schedule

First grade through Fifth Grade Schedule and Supplemental Kindergarten

- 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 Half Day 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.