

Upcoming Events

Jan 15th Martin Luther King Jr. Day --- NO SCHOOL

Jan 19th Professional Development - Early Dismissal - 12:15 / 12:30

Jan 26th Show What You Know Program - 8:15 sharp in the individual classrooms

Feb 2nd Spirit Wear Day

Feb 9th Elementary Grading - Early Dismissal - 12:15 / 12:30

RU log due

Feb 16th End of Term 3. Report cards go home

Feb 19th - 23 Midwinter Break - NO SCHOOL

Feb 26th Beginning of Term 4

March 1st Show What You Know Program - 8:15 sharp in the individual classrooms

JANUARY BUILDER THEME: I AM A BUILDER WHEN I WORK DILIGENTLY

Doing something diligently means "doing it thoroughly and well. It's the opposite of doing it in a lazy manner." As parents and educators it is critical that we teach the value of hard work. We want our students to understand its importance and that they can accomplish great things if they put their minds to it.

ENROLLMENT 2024-2025

We have begun the 2024-2025 NEW STUDENT enrollment process. We are now accepting applications for NEW siblings (including kindergarten students) and transfers. Please remember that new kindergarten students must be five on or before September 1st to qualify for enrollment; there are no exceptions to this rule.

NEW STUDENTS: CLICK HERE!

SIBLINGS: <u>CLICK HERE!</u> TRANSFERS: CLICK HERE!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES-

We have multiple volunteer opportunities currently available at the ELC such as putting packets and gifts together for both kindergarten and preschool 2024-25 registration. If you are interested, please contact me directly or call our front office at 808-797-0069. Thank you, parents, for all your hours of service you have put in on behalf of our students and our school. We truly appreciate you!

CARD CHART:

In kindergarten our goal is to provide a positive, learning experience. One of the ways we are able to work towards this goal is through the implementation of our clip-up chart. While we are using this positive method, grades 1-6 implement what we call the "card chart". The card chart system is used from K-6th grade. We will be introducing the card chart this month and then implementing it in February. The teachers will be introducing the card chart, its meaning, and how it will work.

The card chart provides a reminder of proper behavior during school. On this chart there are 10 rules. In kindergarten we will only be focusing on six of these rules.

If a student has received several verbal reminders but still continues to exhibit the non-desired behavior, the student will be asked to move a card to the number that coordinates with the misbehavior.

Each student has five cards stacked in the following order: Green, yellow, blue, red, and purple. The goal for every student is to stay on green all day. The color that is on top of the student's stack at the end of each day will be recorded on the back of the learning plan and if applicable, along with the rule infraction number. This will help communicate to parents the behavior of the student for that day.

The following is a list of infractions we will be referring to in kindergarten:

Tardy (after transitions to or from groups)

Recess Infraction

Missing material, i.e. homework, workbooks, docket, etc.

Not Following Directions

Disruptive

Disrespectful

Along with the card chart, we will still be using the clip-up chart for the remainder of the year.

CLEANING OUT YOUR STUDENT'S DOCKET:

Parents, we hope to clear up any confusion concerning your student's docket. The docket contains several colored file folders representing the following subjects.

Plain Manila Folder: TAKE HOME FOLDER Red - Reading White: MAT's

Yellow - Math Green - Science

Blue - History Purple - Language Arts
Orange - Spelling Gray - Reading University

We have instructed our teachers and instructors to please mark a star on the top of all papers and place them in the "TAKE HOME FOLDER". This will indicate to our parents that these papers have been reviewed and can stay at home. These papers should be taken out of the dockets and keep at home. If the student has homework, these papers will be in the proper labeled folder; i.e. math homework will be in the yellow math folder, etc.

One purpose of the docket is to help American Prep implement a "no loose papers" policy. All papers should be placed in the correct file folder inside the docket. That way, students always have what they need with them in class and at home. Please remove all stickers from the outside of your student's docket. We love that our students are learning the importance of organization and being responsible for their own paperwork and homework.

Kindergarten Corner:

Student: "I have a problem. When I talk to my mom and dad at night my face just won't stop smiling. I just don't want to smile all the time but my body makes me."

Teacher: "Well that sounds like a pretty good problem to have!"