

August, 2009

Dear Canyon View Parents,

Welcome to the 2009-2010 school year! We are looking forward to seeing all our returning parents and students, as well as meeting the many new families who have moved into the neighborhood. This is our eleventh year at Canyon View, and we anticipate a strong K-6 educational program that is enriched with many special learning opportunities for all students.

Please note the following information regarding the beginning of school:

- Our childcare is provided by Childcare Development Center. If you have questions about schedules, fees or fall registration, please call the director at (714) 730-5194.
- Class lists will be posted outside the school office **after 5:00 p.m. on September 9**. The first day of school, classroom assignments are considered to be firm, though last minute notification of withdrawals or increased enrollments during the first few days of school may necessitate staffing changes and/or classroom reassignments. It is not uncommon for someone to hear that “so and so” is the only and best teacher to have in “such and such” a grade. Nor is it uncommon for a student to initially feel his teacher is “too mean” or “too strict” or “too” something else. Fortunately, once given a chance to succeed at adapting to a new classroom and building a new student teacher relationship, most parents discover that their child’s placement is working well after all. **Remember, placement was carefully selected for your child by the principal, the grade level team of teachers, and all support personnel.** Students’ attitudes towards their teachers and school are highly influenced by the attitudes of their parents. We can all provide our children with a successful beginning of the school year experience by responding to their classroom assignments with positive enthusiasm.
- Class lists will be posted in three locations on campus:
 - K-2 Connecting corridor doors outside of Kindergarten and Room 3
 - 3-4 Front doors of the MPR
 - 5-6 Connecting corridor doors in food court area
- There is no supervision at school before 8:00 a.m. Parents of Kindergarten students may drop off and pick up their children at the Kindergarten yard gate, using the front sidewalk approach that runs alongside the wall around the Kindergarten play area. Grade 1-6 students, who come to school in the family car, should be dropped off and picked up alongside the main school parking lot, via the drop-off lane next to the curb. After departing the family car, children should walk directly to the supervised blacktop area in back of the school. ***Please DO NOT BRING STUDENTS TO SCHOOL BEFORE 8:00 a.m.***

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- When children report for the first day of school, they should line up outside their classroom door, where their teacher will greet them. School personnel will be at the front landing and sides of the school to provide directions to class for anyone having difficulty finding their classroom. Also, please remember that **THURSDAY and FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10-11, are MINIMUM DAYS for grade 1-6 students.** All students will be released at 1:30 p.m. *Kindergarten parents will receive information about first day procedures from the kindergarten staff.*
- Student supply lists may be found on our website (www.iusd.org/cv) listed on each grade level page.
- The 2009-2010 bell schedule is as follows:

Kindergarten Session I	8:20 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.
Kindergarten Session II	10:20 a.m. – 1:50 p.m.
Grades 1-3	8:20 a.m. – 2:20 p.m.
Grades 4-6	8:10 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.
- Children can buy a hot lunch or bring a sack lunch. Milk can be purchased for \$.75, and a school lunch, including milk, costs \$3.25. The menu includes a choice of entrée with salad, fruit and milk.

Since we continue to enroll new students, we will be organizing our classes up to September 9. Continuing enrollment and laws related to class sizes in grades 1-3 may make it necessary to reorganize some classes after the beginning of school as we gain additional pupils.

Important dates to calendar:

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| September 8, Tuesday | Parents can pick up pre-ordered Student Supply Packs in the Multi-Purpose Room between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Canyon View Spirit Wear will be available for purchase as well. |
| September 10, Thursday | 8:30-9:00 a.m. Returning Parents Welcome Reception
9:15-9:45 a.m. Kindergarten Parents Welcome Reception |
| September 24, Thursday | Back-to-School Night, 6:00-7:30 p.m. |

Hopefully, this communication answers most of your general questions about the beginning of school. If you have concerns, please contact the school office at (949) 936-6900. In the meantime, the staff and I are eager to start another exciting school year, and we look forward to working with you and your children.

Sincerely,



Susan Kemp, Ed.D.
Principal

