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Principal Message

Happy New Year! We are so grateful for the start of our year in 2022. We had some fun beginnings. Although we are starting the beginning of 2023, we are nearing our second semester. Time flies! The weather changes, classes change, and friends begin to change. There are many opportunities for students to stretch out of their comfort zone and we want to foster positive growth during these times. May we continue to work together to support your student.



Upcoming Dates

Vision Screening - January 12th

Snow Blitz Starts- January 12,19,26 and Feb 2nd from 3-8pm.

Last Day of Second Quarter - January 13th

No School- January 16th and 17th

School Community Council Meeting - January 19th 4:30pm

Group Picture Day- January 26th



Traffic Reminder

We would like to thank our parents for being cautious, patient, and alert drivers during our winter season. Thank you to our parents who are following traffic rules and patterns. Thank you for being courteous to our crossing guards who are doing their best, especially in the dark cold weather. We want to remind parents that U-turns on Grizzly way are dangerous and ask you please refrain from doing so. If you drop your student off on the East side of Grizzly, please remind your student to use the crosswalk to cross. Please be courteous of our driveways where many students cross. Unfortunately, many of our students are not as alert as you and may not see you or stop for you. We ask that you watch out for their safety.

Bus Drop Off

Please refrain from dropping your students off in the front during our bus hours. It is State policy that we have a bus zone free from vehicular traffic. Our buses arrive between 7:35-7:55am and between 2:50-3:15. Please be mindful of this policy. Parents' pick up and drop off are located on the South and North side of the school.

Crossing Guard

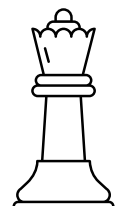
Parents it is required for our crossing guards to wait until our students have completely crossed the intersection before walking back. Please be patient as they get back to the sidewalk safely. It is against traffic laws to drive across when a crossing guard is in the intersection. Once again, we ask for your patience and observance of traffic flow and laws.

School Intentions

- Improve our reading and math proficiency.
- Cultivate healthy social interactions

Tutoring

- Math Tutoring Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Tuesday Tutoring with Spanish support



After School Activities

- **Mondays:**
 - Super Smash Brothers 326 Mr. Riehl's room
 - Speech and Debate (301 - Hurd)
 - Crochet Crew (320- Ms. Brown)
- **Tuesdays:**
 - Chess (room 322)
 - Dance fitness (Dance Portable)
 - Tuesday tutoring- Ms. Reich's class
 - Math Tutoring - Ms. Owen's class
- **Wednesdays:**
 - Avatar (room 501)
 - Book club (first Wednesday of the month) (108)
 - Sports - badminton (gym)
- **Thursdays:**
 - Poetry Club (106)
 - Mesa Club (222) (2nd week only)
 - Gardening (wellness room)
 - Dungeons and Dragons (501)
 - Wild scribe (every other Thursday) (404)
 - Multi-Cultural club -
 - E-sports (hasn't started)
 - Sports (gym)
 - Math Tutoring - Mr. Riehl's class



Great Opportunity for Students

We, the Utah MLK Human Rights Commission, are really excited for this quickly approaching event. It will be the youth event of the year! There will be lunch, an engaging coding mystery, a basketball clinic, and more. Each attending student will receive a pair of athletic shoes and a backpack with various fun swag items from various sponsors. Utah's First Lady, Abby Cox will also be present to speak. Our partners and sponsors include The Utah Jazz, Comcast, Goldman Sachs, L3 Harris, Zions Bank and Show Up Utah.

All registered students are strongly encouraged to submit an **art/essay** on one of Dr. Martin Luther King's 6 principles of nonviolence. Awards will be given to the top 3 submissions for each grade represented (7th, 8th and 9th). The 1st place winners will receive a Chromebook. More info provided in the link below.

There's still time for students to register but don't hesitate. Registration will remain open through Monday, Jan 9th. Link below.

Here are some additional logistics for attendees. Please share with all registered students.

- Please arrive on time. Lunch will begin at 11a.
- Free parking for registered participants is available across from the Vivnt arena. Tell the lot attendant you are with the MLK event.
- Enter the arena through the front entrance, behind the large black note, on the corner of So. Temple and 300 West.
- Please do not bring **ANY** bags into the arena. Place all valuables in your trunk to discourage any potential auto break-ins.

Here are the links for this event:

Registration link:

Art/Essay Submission link

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