

Principal Welcome Message 2018-2019

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year!

Another great year is planned at the “best elementary school ‘IN’ Park City. The running joke of course is that McPolin Elementary School is the “ONLY” elementary school “IN” Park City. We are proud supporters of the entire Park City School District and schools recognizing we are a school system that strives for excellence in all we do:

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McPolin Elementary School is a school-wide, “Dual Immersion Language” (DLI) school with the target language as Spanish. This decision to be a school-wide DLI school makes sense for many reasons; most importantly is the support of our community. Additionally, we have created an inclusive school for all students, families, and staff. Dual immersion is who we are and what we do.

McPolin Elementary School is a Title One school with a 35-50% (changes based on yearly enrollments) of the students qualifying for a free or reduced lunch based on family income. Demographically, McPolin Elementary is roughly a 50/50 split of Latino to Caucasian. Most families are hard working long time Park City families living in the adjacent Park Meadows or Prospector neighborhoods. At the same time some of the wealthiest families of Park City who live in the Deer Valley area choose to attend our “little school that can.” McPolin is an inclusive community school.

Along with our ongoing efforts to support all students in acquiring the expected UT Core Standards in all content areas using a DLI instructional model, is a focus on 21st Century skills. With the support of the school district and Park City Education Foundation (PCEF), our local non-profit educational support foundation, Coding is being taught to all students grades K-4 through the 2017-18 school year and will expand to 5th grade the following 2018-19 school year. Further, we have a one-to-one student to laptop ration grades 2-5 starting this school year.

Kindergarten and 1st grades have no less than 10 iPads per class with a 30 station computer lab available based on need. To help support all of this hard and software technology is an “Education Technology Coach” also funded by our supportive PCEF. With confidence we can all agree that our McPolin Students are being well prepared for their futures.

We are a community school that welcomes and encourages community/parent involvement. Our goal has been and continues to be; “Every Student, Every Day, No EXCUSES!” By working together, whatever it takes is done to support students and learning.

Looking forward to making the 2018-2019 school year the best year yet!

Sincerely,
Bob Edmiston