



MCPOLIN OFFICE UPDATES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2018

Dear parents and caregivers,

Thanks to everyone, most especially our PTO volunteers and officers, for putting on another **fun-filled and successful Fall Festival**. Just as important were all of our families participating in all of the fun and the "Silent Auction." Because of your support and hard work, our students will enjoy many activities and teacher resources that otherwise would not occur or be available i.e.; field trips, wobbly chairs, healthy snacks, and much, much more.

October has arrived along with a change in the weather. **We love going outside for recess and doing other outdoor activities at McPolin.** As the weather gets cold and wet, our love for the outdoors only grows. **This is a reminder to send students to school with appropriate outdoor clothing including weather resistant coats, boots, hats, and gloves.** Be sure to tell us if your student(s) do not have appropriate clothing for outside. We have many resources and an inventory of outdoor clothing in all sizes and colors right here at school.

Parent/Teacher Conference week is an ideal time to remind us all of the importance of a home-school relationship. Parent/Teacher communication needs to be routine and on-going. We have repeatedly shared the research that confirms that one of the most important factors supporting student success is a "safe" and "positive" relationship with your teacher(s) and the school. We work endlessly to make McPolin a safe and welcoming school for all families. We can only do our half of the relationship. Additionally, it takes the willingness and time of our families to join our efforts to support all students. Just like the PTO (P.arent T.eacher O rganization) is most successful when both the "parents" and the "teachers" work together to make activities like the Fall Festival a success; that same need of working together could not be more important in reference to students and learning. Common sense tells us as your children see and hear you enjoy positive and regular conversations/interactions at school while meeting with the teachers and staff, so too will they take on those same behaviors. Together we are always stronger.

As always, as you have questions, concerns, or clarifications, please contact the school through your teachers or the front office.

Sincerely,
Bob Edmiston

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Parent/Teacher Conferences: Oct 1-5 and Oct. 8-12.
- Picture Day, this Thursday, Oct. 4th.
- **PTO meeting with Mayor Beerman - school cafeteria at 8:15am, Tues., Oct. 9th**
- **Fall Break - NO SCHOOL Thurs., Oct. 18 and Fri., Oct. 19.**