



McPolin Elementary School Weekly Office Updates
Wednesday, March 24th, 2021

Dear parents and caregivers,

Spring in the Rockies and our Wasatch Back –there is nothing else like it! One day getting fresh tracks and the next wearing shorts and flip flops. Our current weather resembles our on-going COVID challenges that are ever-changing, continue to demand preparedness, flexibility, and patience.

A reminder that regardless of decisions made for the general public or what you may be hearing, the district, with direction from the state, continues a conservative approach to ensure the safety of students and staff. To clarify, face coverings/face masks for K-12 schools in Utah will end at the conclusion of summer school based on the current Public Health Order. We will continue the safety measures we started the beginning of the school year with including, wearing masks, limiting access to the buildings, spacing and more. I think everyone agrees that we are enjoying an amazing year, and finishing the way we started is best.

Last week I reminded everyone about our PTO super stars and encouraged joining next year. This week I will remind everyone about the MPES Community Council. This is a state required committee to ensure community participation within the school. Here is a quick summary of what the council does:

- Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month, starting in September.
- The meeting time is 3:30pm-4:30pm, though some meetings require more time.
- We discuss all things McPolin with a focus on academic achievement and instruction.
- The committee reviews school data to determine our areas of success and challenges.
- MOST OF ALL, the council is a supportive and welcoming group of caring parents focused on supporting our school.

If interested, please contact the school and speak with me for more information. Even better, our last meeting is scheduled on May 5th. If interested in attending you can contact me so I can include you in the ZOOM meeting. Yes, like I said before we are still taking safety precautions and meeting virtually.

Everyone should have received an invitation to complete the district Climate Survey. If you have already done so, thank you for your participation and for taking the time to complete this important survey. If you have not already completed the survey, you can access the survey here:

https://parkcitydistrict.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b05nyOt1YnHNUXk

- Please take 5-10 minutes to provide us with your invaluable feedback regarding school climate as soon as you are able. The survey will officially close on May 7.
- The School Climate Survey is completely anonymous.
- We look forward to sharing the survey data openly with you, our stakeholders, as soon as it is made available.
- If you are a teacher and a parent, please feel free to complete the survey twice, once through each lens if your answers or perspective would vary greatly.
- If you have multiple children in multiple schools in the district, you are invited to complete the survey once for each school (please only complete one survey for each school).

The MPES PTO planned a food truck event starting this Friday to share appreciations with teachers and staff for all of their hard work this year. Details on how to help with a donation or having students draw pictures of thanks have been sent via Moose Mail and posted on the PTO social media platforms. It means more than you know to our staff.

Thanks to all of us for our patience to keep school safe and open. I have shared many times, nothing worth doing is easy and at McPolin we can do hard things. Most important is the way we go about it – ALL for One and One for ALL. We Got This!

Sincerely,
Bob Edmiston

Upcoming events:

- Spring Break – April 5th- 9th