



**MCPOLIN OFFICE UPDATES**  
Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Dear Parents and caregivers,

Quite a lot to celebrate, appreciate and share this week. Starting with LIVE PC/GIVE PC where \$18,212 was raised by our wonderful McPolin community. Not only is \$18,212 the most funds ever donated during this annual day of giving, but we the most individuals donate to our school. There was a lot of hard work put into the planning and communication of this fundraising event. We would like to thank the following parents for their time and effort;

- Tania Bodnar
- Hallie Facey
- Francis Fu
- Tess Henderson
- Whitney Olch
- Molly Miller

Our Librarian, Mrs. Julie Hastings, could not be more excited. She has already started the process of selecting and ordering books for the students.

Another important celebration coming up on November 11<sup>th</sup>, Veteran's Day. We have a short presentation planned for the students to celebrate this day reserved to recognize our service women and men of the armed forces. These brave men and women are so often unrecognized members of our community. Quite frankly, our freedom, our way of life, including our future stand on the shoulders of all who have served in the military. The presentation will include a medley of patriotic US Military songs. Thank you for your service!

A short follow-up to the school information I shared in last week's Office Update and the latest US News Utah Elementary School rankings. YES! COVID 19 has impacted student learning. YES! Each family has managed their own journey for better or worse. I continue to believe and have data to support that at McPolin instead of learning loss, **learning is BOSS!** You'll see on the next page the iReady Reading and Math beginning of year (BOY) data over the past few years. In a nutshell, this year's BOY scores are the strongest since the COVID 19 pandemic started. If you have questions, please contact me and I enthusiastically clarify/discuss your questions, concerns, or clarifications.

Finally, I would be leaving out a most important topic if I didn't update safety and COVID 19 information. To confirm, COVID 19 is still here and impacting all we do. In fact, apparently, we are currently managing a Halloween rebound of positive cases. I will share with the same confidence and conviction as I have since this journey began, our school is safe. We continue to remind staff to not become complacent with handwashing, disinfecting areas, and maintaining a safe distance during the day. We have proven that the school is safe for in-person learning. I will continue to remind everyone, "When in doubt, stay out!"

I once again share, ALL for One and One for ALL. This reminder that a community is just that, a group of individuals from all walks of life and places that come together for the benefit of all. In the case of our McPolin Community the calling is that much higher, our students. I encourage us all to be strong, trust one another, and stay the course - We Got This!

Sincerely,  
Bob Edmiston

**Important Dates:**

- **All Good Things Come to an End:**
  - Rollin' at McPolin has ended for the time being – see you in the Spring!
- **End of Trimester #1 for elementary students:**
  - Friday, Nov. 12, 2021