



MCPOLIN OFFICE UPDATE  
Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Dear parents and caregivers,

Today is the last week of January 2022, that was as fast and exciting as it comes. As we all continue to look for the end of Covid and all of the associated confusion, let us be reminded of this once in a lifetime opportunity. We will continue to encourage everyone to model how to face any adversity with courage, perseverance, and kindness for all. At McPolin, WE chose to use this unprecedented time to pull together and support one another by collectively focusing on our students, our safety, our community. Just another example of who we are and why we continue to be the “BEST” elementary school “IN” Park City. ALL for One and One for ALL.

Let's celebrate all we continue to accomplish in the midst of many changes and redirections:

- Get Out and Play (GOAP) – we have over 150 students riding skis, snowboards, and more every Friday afternoon. This program introduces countless families to winter fun that would otherwise be out of reach.
- Our MPES PTO keeps supporting all of us:
  - Baggie Books being distributed weekly to kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students
  - Continued support for all families with the on-going MFSF (M.cPolin F.amily S.upport F.und).
  - Staff Support including; cards, treats, FOOD TRUCKS and mostly emotional support to keep their batteries charged.
    - Last week's Salty Pineapple, Hawaiian Cuisine was over the top delicious, filling, and just what the therapist ordered.
- After-School Enrichment Program offered by our P.A.C.E. (Program for Academic Challenge and Enrichment):
  - Teachers have contacted families to participate.
  - There will be a rotation to offer our different grade levels (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) and students four-week programs
- Now that our middle of the year (MOY) assessments are all but complete, we are prepared for the February Parent/Teacher Conferences.
  - I continue to message the importance of these meetings and encourage all families to participate via ZOOM.

I have corrected my latest math and can confirm today is our 91<sup>st</sup> consecutive, perfect, in-person day of learning. Last week, I was able to give everyone a peak inside McPolin on my weekly video message. The creativity and commitment of the staff to offer all of the students a seamless and normal day of learning is undeniable. If it wasn't for the masks and other safety protocols, you would be hard pressed to notice any visible or apparent difference, Covid or not.

I close with the on-going celebration that at McPolin we do hard things. We do hard things because we can and more importantly, because our students and community are relying on our schools. We welcome this adversity and challenge. I have repeatedly shared that nothing worth doing is easy. We Got This!

Sincerely,  
Bob Edmiston

**Important Dates:**

- **Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup> – Day FOUR of GOAP:**
  - **Best to arrive at school early to help students with equipment:**
- **Parent/Teacher Confs – Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup> – Thursday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Be looking for information from your teachers**
- **PTO Meeting – Tuesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> 8:30-9:30am**
- **School Community Council Meeting – Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 3:30-4:30pm**

**IMPORTANT COVID INFORMATION:**

- 1.) **STAY HOME UNTIL YOU RECEIVE COVID TEST RESULTS.** We have a number of situations when families tested and kept coming to school to only learn later they are positive creating a number of challenging situations
- 2.) **WE WILL NO LONGER BE CALLING HOME ABOUT COVID. We will send notes and always welcome your feedback.**