



The McKinley Mini-Messenger

For Schoolwide Info and Updates Each Week

Date: 12/7/20

Important Announcements and Reminders

Last week the District sent out a [letter](#) regarding a survey to all parents to gather input about reopening model preferences. At the December 9th Board Meeting the Board will be discussing reopening models, and then at the 17th Board Meeting it is expected that the Board will make a determination of the reopening model for all school sites TK-12 to be implemented when in the red (substantial) tier. The Zoom link for Board meetings are posted on the agendas at <https://www.smmusd.org/Page/4047>

Reminder- there are 2 weeks left for students to share a holiday/winter video message at <https://flipgrid.com/8c39cd5d>
Password: MckinleyHoliday

This Week

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	12/7		
Tuesday	12/8		
Wednesday	12/9		
Thursday	12/10		
Friday	12/11	8:45am	AASG Meeting- Zoom- https://smmk12.zoom.us/j/84669380227?pwd=MGhhZFkxTOJaYUdQWlR6UERId0dXQT09

Next Week

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	12/14		Spirit Week- Spiritwear Day (McKinley Shirt or Blue/Gold)
Tuesday	12/15		Spirit Week- Friendship Day- Wear Grade Level Color (TK/K Red, 1 st Orange, 2 nd Yellow, 3 rd Green, 4 th Blue, 5 th Purple)
Wednesday	12/16		Spirit Week- Crazy Hair or Hat Day
Thursday	12/17		Spirit Week- Sports Day
Friday	12/18		Spirit Week- Pajama Day Minimum Day- Dismissal 12:30pm TK/K 1:35pm 1 st -5 th No live instruction after lunch, asynchronous only (1-1:35ish) No live synchronous or asynchronous after dismissal (12:30/1:35)

Upcoming Dates and Events

12/21-1/1 Winter Break
1/4 First Day Back to School from Break

Flyers Attached

Holiday Message Flipgrid Flyer
Spirit Week 12/14-12/18
AASG Flyer
Info about PTA and Donate at AmazonSmile



Happy Holidays

Share a festive message with our
McKinley Family!

Record a 1-minute video on Flipgrid to share.
Video Ideas: spoken message, sing a song, read a winter poem.

Enjoy videos from your friends at McKinley.



<https://flipgrid.com/8c39cd5d>

Password: MckinleyHoliday

How to Post a Video:

1. Click link →

<https://flipgrid.com/8c39cd5d>

- Password: MckinleyHoliday

2.  Record your video.

- Select the record button on the bottom of the camera to start and pause the camera. Add fun stickers, filters, text, and more. Tap the arrow on the bottom right to continue.

3.  Review your video.

- Trim, rearrange, or add more video clips. Tap the arrow on the bottom right to continue.

4.  Submit your video!

- Edit your cover image, name, or add a title. Then submit!



McKinley Elementary Spirt Week!

Monday 12/14

Spiritwear Day!

Wear a McKinley shirt or the school colors of Blue and Gold.

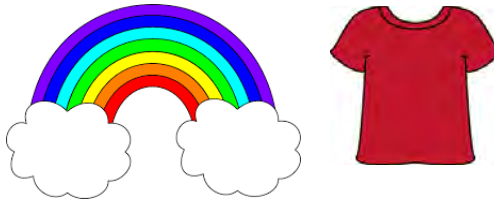


Tuesday 12/15

Friendship Day!

Each grade level wears a color of the rainbow.

- TK/K: Red
- 1st: Orange
- 2nd: Yellow
- 3rd: Green
- 4th: Blue
- 5th: Purple



Wednesday 12/16

Crazy Hair/Hat Day!

Wear a fun hairstyle or hat.



Thursday 12/17

Sports Day!

Wear your favorite sports team jersey/shirt or sports uniform/attire.



Friday 12/18

Pajama Day!

Wear your comfy pjs to class.





Friday, December 11, 2020

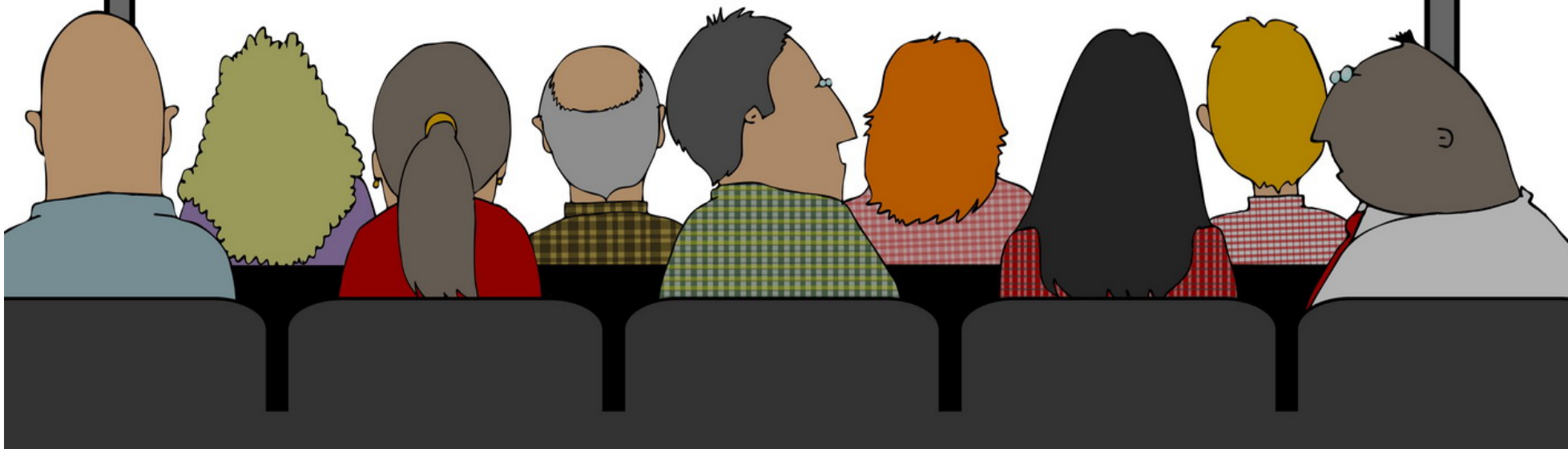
8:45am

Parent Recruitment Announcement: Become a member to represent your African American student
& engage in conversations that celebrate diversity and student success.

Zoom Info

<https://smmk12.zoom.us/j/84669380227?pwd=MGhhdFkxT0JaYUdQWIR6UERId0dXQT09>

Meeting ID: 846 6938 0227 Passcode: aasg



PTA? What is it?

PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is the oldest and largest child advocacy association in America. Today's PTA is comprised of more than 4 million parents, teachers, grandparents, caregivers, foster parents, and other caring adults who share a commitment to improving the education, health, and safety of all children. We speak with one voice for every child.

Today, the issues that affect our children extend beyond their individual schools. The PTA's nationwide network provides parents with the forum and tools to collectively influence the decisions that affect children not only at their schools, but also throughout their districts, within their states, and across the nation. This mission is unique to PTA.

Many of the benefits our children receive today, such as universal kindergarten, the National School Lunch Program, and a juvenile justice system, were accomplished because of the PTA mission.

Legacy

Alice McLellan Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst founded the organization when women did not have the right to vote and social activism was not popular. However, they believed mothers would support their mission to eliminate threats that endangered children, and in early 1897, they started a nationwide campaign.



On Feb., 17, 1897, more than 2,000 people—mostly mothers, but also fathers, teachers, laborers and legislators—attended the first convocation of the National Congress of Mothers in Washington, D.C. Twenty years later, 37 chartered state congresses existed.



In 1970, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers (National PTA) and the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers (NCCPT)—founded by Selena Sloan Butler in Atlanta, Ga.—merged to serve all children.



As the largest volunteer child advocacy organization in the nation, National PTA is the conscience of the country for children and youth issues. Through advocacy, as well as family and community education, National PTA has established programs and called for legislation that improves our children's lives, such as:

- *Creation of Kindergarten classes*
- *Child labor laws*
- *Public health service*
- *Hot and healthy lunch programs*
- *Juvenile justice system*
- *Mandatory immunization*
- *Arts in Education*
- *School Safety*

With schools facing challenges like shrinking budgets and lack of educational equity, PTA is more important than ever.

The PTA provides [programs](#) on strengthening [family-school partnerships](#), and free resources for members on [issues](#) and areas such as [STEM](#) and [health](#) & [safety](#).

Be a part of a powerful association than can [advocate](#) on behalf of children and educators at the local, state and national levels.

Join McKinley PTA

<https://mckinleypta.membershiptoolkit.com/membership>

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