



# The McKinley Weekly Mini-Messenger

For Schoolwide Info and Updates Each Week

Date: 9/6/21

## Important Announcements and Reminders

This Friday 4pm-6pm is the **Back to School Picnic!** This is a fun, casual event where families will listen to music, picnic, socialize, and play.

- This is a voluntary event; participation is optional.
- Entrances to event are at the Arizona and Parking Lot (CREST) Gates. There will be staff members screening all families at the gate, asking screening questions of the household, and doing temp checks of all family members. If a member of the family does not pass the screening then the household must go home and contact the school nurse.
- Families may park in the staff parking lot after 3:45pm.
- Masks are required regardless of vaccination status, except when eating.
- It is recommended that when eating maskless households sit 6 feet apart. It is open seating and families may sit where comfortable on the grass field.
- Apparatuses will be open and some basketballs will be available for student play.
- Outdoor handwashing stations will be available on the yard.
- Note that this year for covid safety food will not be sold on campus so families may bring their own food and blankets picnic-style.
- There is no staff supervision; this is a family event; parents are responsible for supervising their child.

We look forward to seeing you Friday!

Some of our teachers generously volunteer their time to provide additional supplemental enrichment for 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> graders through clubs such as Green Team, Film Club, STEM Club, and Student Council. New this year, will be our first ever **Dance Team!** All interested 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to participate; attendance at all practices is required for participation. See attached flyer for more info and to sign up.

## This Week

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	9/6		No School
Tuesday	9/7		No School
Wednesday	9/8		Reminder- Wednesdays are early dismissal 1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>
Thursday	9/9		
Friday	9/10	8:45am 4:00pm	ELAC Meeting Back to School Picnic

## Next Week

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	9/13		
Tuesday	9/14		
Wednesday	9/15		
Thursday	9/16		No School
Friday	9/17	8:45am	AASG Meeting

<b>Upcoming Dates and Events</b>
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9/21 School Site Council Meeting
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8/24 PTA Meeting
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8/26 Campus Beautification Day
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8/30 Parent Academy Session 1
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<b>Flyers Attached</b>
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Back to School Picnic
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Spiritwear for Sale
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Dance Team Form
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ELAC
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School Site Council
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Boys and Girls Club Sports
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Special Ed Resource Group
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**BACK TO SCHOOL**

# **PICNIC**

**come join us and meet other mckinley families!**

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**4-6**

**PM**

**SEPTEMBER 10TH**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

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play yard**





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# MCKINLEY Dance Team!

Calling all 4th and 5th Grade Lions who love dance and movement! McKinley is starting our first ever dance team!! Come learn technique, practice dance routines, and perform at assemblies and other school events. This is a free, supplemental enrichment opportunity offered by McKinley teachers volunteering their time.

It is open to all 4th and 5th graders; no dance experience required.

If you are interested in being on the team please read the information below and complete the form on the back. If you have questions please email the teachers below.

The deadline for completing and returning this form to your teacher is September 17th. No late applications will be accepted.

## Dance Team Directors:

- Amanda Sherman (5th) [asherman@smmusd.org](mailto:asherman@smmusd.org)
- Danielle Eden (1st) [deden@smmusd.org](mailto:deden@smmusd.org)

## Location:

- McKinley Auditorium

## Practice Dates & Times:

- Thursdays from 3:00 - 3:45pm
  - September 23, 30
  - October 7, 14, 21, 28
  - November \*9, 18
  - December 2, 9, 16
- Some Tuesdays during lunch/recess from 1:00-1:30 when needed

## Behavior Expectations:

- All McKinley school rules apply
- Attend all practices and performances (unless excused absence- please notify directors)
- Commit to a full semester (September- December)
- Practice routines at home
- Participate and display teamwork and enthusiasm



**Student Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Parent/Guardian Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Secondary Parent/Guardian Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Required Student Questionnaire (to be completed by student):**

Please answer the following questions.

1. Why do you want to join the McKinley Dance Team?

2. List prior dance experience (all levels welcome!)

**Signatures:**

*I agree to follow the behavior expectations listed on the front and to attend all practices. I understand that if I do not have positive behavior or miss practices/performances (without an excused absence) I will no longer be permitted to participate on the dance team.*

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*I agree to pick up, or arrange alternate transportation methods, for my child promptly at 3:45 at the courtyard gate. I understand that if my child is consistently picked up late that the child will no longer be permitted to participate on the dance team. (Note: Children in other afterschool programs like CREST Childcare may go to their program after dance practice)*

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **English Learners Advisory Committee (ELAC) Meeting**

September Meeting  
Friday, September 10 2021  
8:45am-9:45am

### **About ELAC**

The English Learner Advisory Committee, ELAC, promotes a meaningful connection with parents of English learner students (EL) at the school site. Every school with 21 or more EL students must have a functioning ELAC. The purpose of the ELAC is to provide guidance and advice to the principal and staff about the needs of students who are learning English as a second language. An English Learner is a student who has a primary language that is not English (based on the Home Language Survey at enrollment) and is not fluent in English (based on the ELPAC exam is classified as EL 1, 2, 3, or 4). At McKinley our students speak over 22 different languages!

### **Agenda:**

1. Introductions and Welcome
2. Presentation from Dr. Benjamin
  - ELAC Training on Legal Responsibilities
  - ELAC By-Laws
3. Officers and Member Elections

### **Zoom Login Info**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://smmk12.zoom.us/j/83672716986>

Meeting ID: 836 7271 6986

### **ELAC Meetings for 21-22**

September 10 (Elections, Legal Responsibilities Training, DELAC Election)

November 12 (attendance)

December 10 (Holiday Potluck)

March 11 (Attendance and Needs Assessment)

May 13 (Site Plan for Els and recommendations for the SPSA)

## McKinley School Site Council (SSC)(Site Governance)

Interested in being on SSC?!

The School Site Council (Site Governance Committee) meets at least 6 times a year (meetings are Tuesday 3:05-4:30pm) to:

- To develop, approve, and annually review a school plan, to be known as the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA).
- To plan, monitor and evaluate the school-based activities and expenditures for Consolidated Application Programs, including Federal, State and local funds.
- To follow the requirements of the Greene Act.
- To carry out all the other duties and responsibilities assigned to it in the Educational Code of the State of California.

The SSC is composed of 10 elected members: 5 staff (1 principal, 3 teachers, 1 classified staff) and 5 parents/legal guardians of children currently enrolled at McKinley who are employed by the school district. All members are elected for a two year term.

### SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL PARENT SELF-NOMINATION FORM

   I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the McKinley School Site Council.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, who is currently enrolled at this school.  
(name of student)

Please check:

- I am not an employee at this school.  
 I am a parent/guardian of a child currently enrolled at McKinley

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please include a brief autobiography on the back of this form.**

Please email this form to Dr. Benjamin at [abenjamin@smmusd.org](mailto:abenjamin@smmusd.org) by the nomination deadline September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your nomination to school site council.  
You will be notified when your nomination has been received.





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## McKinley Special Education Resource Group

**The McKinley Special Education Resource Group is a parent support group. We collaborate with the special education staff at McKinley to identify the needs of children with IEPs and 504 plans.**

**We work together to create and support a community for parents of students with special needs at our school by**

- connecting with each other about resources, updated information, and services.
- discussing parent education topics related to special education with our special education staff.
- teaming up with our teachers and staff to create a collaborative learning experience for ALL students.

**Contact Hannah McMahon at [hannahmcmahon@gmail.com](mailto:hannahmcmahon@gmail.com) or at (408) 387-0021 to join our distribution list about parent meet ups, special education meetings, workshops, and events taking place within our special education community.**