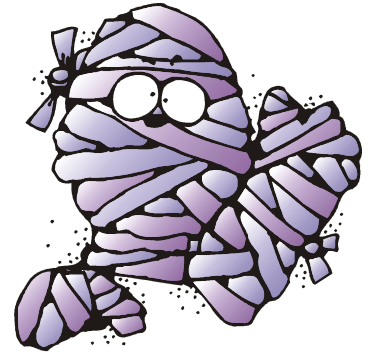


Valley Crest Newsletter

Learning and Growing Together

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Voyager Views

Bond Election Information

At its August 11 meeting, the Granite District Board of Education voted to place a bond question before voters on the November 3 ballot. It will not result in any increase in taxes. If bonding is approved, the district would sell \$256 million in general obligation bonds to air condition all remaining schools, build three schools and replace five existing school buildings.

The bond payments will be paid from the portion of existing capital outlay funds that, since 1996, have funded the facilities master plan. Capital outlay funds cannot be used for other purposes such as the day to day operations of the district and salaries. Current economic conditions are favorable to bonding since construction and interest costs are very low. The district's pay-as-you-go strategy can no longer keep up with the needed facility improvements & construction.

The board also approved a project list associated with the bonding proposal, including air conditioning of 51 schools, replacement of Granger and Olympus High Schools and Hartvigsen School plus Woodstock and Oakwood Elementary Schools. Proposed new schools to accommodate growth include an elementary school in Magna, another in West Valley City and a junior high school in the northwest quadrant of the district.

The board based the project list on public input from a series of network meetings held last year in each network. Results of a Dan Jones survey were also considered. Citizens were strongly in favor of air conditioning, replacing aging schools to improve the learning environment and building new schools where needed.



Dogs and School

Dogs are not allowed on school grounds. Please do not bring your dogs to school, including before and after school.

Food Services Wants You!

Food Advisory Committee Meetings are being held quarterly! These meetings are open to the community so anyone can come and participate. Students, parents and staff are more than welcome and encouraged to attend. This is a great opportunity to share with the food services department any concerns or issues you may have regarding the food service meal program. Support our food services department by attending these meetings and sharing your thoughts. Your feedback will be appreciated and addressed. The dates, time and location are listed below. Hope to see you there!

September 8, 2009

November 3, 2009

February 2, 2010

April 6, 2010

All Meetings will be held at 4 pm at the central kitchen located at 3180 S. 340 W.



Off-Track Activities

The following activities are available to your children throughout the school year when they are off track.

- **Library**—Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m.
- **Choir**—Tuesdays at 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.
- **Band and Orchestra**



5th Grade

Tuesday 10:45—11:25 a.m.
Friday 8:30—9:10 a.m.

6th Grade

Tuesday 11:25—12:05 p.m.
Friday 9:10—9:50 a.m.



October 2009

- Oct. 1—2 **Fall Recess—No School**
- Oct. 5 **No School**—Professional Development for Teachers
- Oct. 6 Ballet West Assembly
- Oct. 8 Eye Glasses Check
- Oct. 12 Fundraiser Due for B & D
- Oct. 14 Birthday Table B & D
- Oct. 16 D Track Goes Off
- Oct. 19 A Track Welcome Back
- Oct. 21 A & C Fundraiser Delivered
- Oct. 28 Birthday Table A & C
- Oct. 29 Halloween Carnival
- Oct. 30 **No School**—Professional Development for Teachers



Thank You, PTA!

Valley Crest would like to thank the PTA for helping with our Accelerated Reader (AR) store and for feeding our teachers at SEP Conferences!

Have you joined the PTA yet?



Volunteers

Valley Crest has a dress code and we need all volunteers to wear proper attire. No sleeveless shirts. Shirts need to cover midriff (stomach) and all underclothing. Thanks for your help at Valley Crest.

Safety Task Force

It is important that parents set an example for their children by using the crosswalks and not crossing outside of the crosswalk area.



