

TIGER TALES

Tully C. Knoles School

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

We have now completed our second successful month of our school year on the Tully C. Knoles School campus. We continue to grow as a learning community. There is something very fundamentally valuable in fostering community. When students engage in building relationships and maintaining pride in their schoolwork, I believe this along with the basic concepts of "hard work" and "simple rewards" pays off in life.

As I circulate around campus daily, I am consistently impressed with the quality of instruction, and the quality of the interaction between students. There are dedicated blocks of time for Language Arts for all Kindergarten through eighth grade classrooms. It is expected that by the time a child completes his/her 3rd grade year, he/she should be able to read and write proficiently. After 3rd grade, based on the Common Core State Standards, children then are required to use these skills to access core curriculum.

Reading or interacting with print should also occur every day outside of school. Primary students should read a minimum of 10-15 minutes, and students in the middle grades should read up to 30 minutes minimum each night. Please make sure your child has reading material that is of high interest, and that they can read independently. Find an interesting book that you can read aloud to your child or children as a family event. Discuss the story together. Setting a timer is always a good way to start out with more reluctant readers, increasing the time at little more each week.

In addition we have a superb staff supporting our educational program. Our kitchen is kept full of fresh fruit and healthy choices for students. Students arrive and are served breakfast at 7:15, with a smile. Our campus is kept clean by our amazing custodial staff. Their hard work and dedication deserves our praise. We are pleased to have supportive campus supervisors. Each and every day they are out supervising and working with our students. In addition, we are so fortunate to have our dedicated counselors, our security officer, our school nurse, our primary language assistants, translators, and paraprofessionals to support our scholars. We also have a wonderful pre-school and after school staff. We also have outstanding support in the library and an extremely helpful office staff. We all owe much gratitude to all of these amazing staff members.

Beginning Monday, October 30, the district will be having a surplus sale. If you are interested in buying surplus items from the school district, stop by the Education Center, 2010 W. Swain Road and ask for the surplus packet. Bids will be received until noon, Monday November 13.

Thank you in advance for supporting our efforts to ensure that all of our Tigers are safe and educated. We want all of our students to be successful in school and in life. Have a great month and Go Tigers!

Sincerely,

Christina Boettger

Principal



Counselor's Corner

Importance of Snacks:

Because their bodies are growing, children need to get enough calories each day to allow them to build more tissue. The typical child's stomach is too small to handle large meals. Healthy snacks provide extra energy and can also provide essential vitamins and nutrients to fuel the developing body. Most children need two to three healthy snacks each day in addition to three meals.

This is especially important for our students in 5th and 6th grades whose lunch times are between 12 and 1. Most students are simply starving before lunch and often come looking in the office for a snack, if they do not have one. Since there are a large number of students each day looking for snacks, parents are always welcome to supply snacks for the classrooms.

COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Coffee with the principal will be held on November 15th at 8 a.m. in the library. Coffee with the Principal is a wonderful opportunity to meet other parents, build rapport and discuss issues affecting Tully C. Knoles. Mrs. Boettger will provide current information and programs designed for parents as well as students. PTSA provides coffee and breakfast treats for this monthly event. Please plan on attending.



Every Friday is Spirit Day!

Please wear your spirit wear or TCK blue to school and show your school spirit!

THANK YOU!

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who participated in the Harvest Festival. It was a huge success! From wonderful food, music and games, the evening was filled with quality family enjoyment and community spirit. This event is only possible because of the tireless dedication of our parent volunteers and staff members who devote countless hours leading up to it. On behalf of our entire TCK community, Thank You!

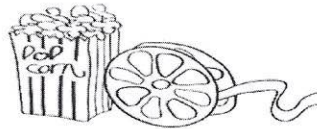
Yearbooks for Sale! It's time to pre-order your Yearbook! Order forms are available in the front office. Currently the cost of the book is \$18 for a soft cover and \$23 for a hard cover. More discounts are available online. The order form has the website needed to order online. The Measure A Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee's Annual Report is available at our school office. Please feel free to pick up a copy to see how your Measure A bond funds are being spent. Thank you

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

School Site Council will be meeting on November 16th at 2:30 in room B. This committee meets once a month to help develop and recommend your student's educational services plan. Please come and join us.

MOVIE NIGHT 11/9

The next movie night of the year will be held on Thursday, November 9th. Doors open at 5:30 and the movie starts at 6 pm. We will be selling pizza, soda, and other snacks. Please join us for a fun evening. Please bring blankets and chairs. Our last movie night was a smashing success! A special thanks to our teachers and the PTSA members who volunteer their time to make these events a success.



LOST AND FOUND- Parents are strongly encouraged to write their children's names on clothing and backpacks. Items not claimed will be donated to charity.

11/10 VETERAN'S DAY, NO SCHOOL
11/20-11/24 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS, NO SCHOOL



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