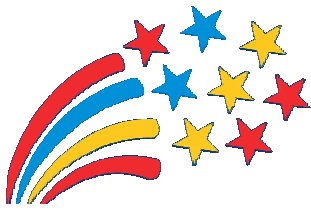


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Reminder of School Calendar Dates

In observance of Martin Luther King's birthday, and his contributions to making the United States of America a better place to live, there is no school on **Monday, January 18, 2010.**

The Board of Directors hopes that families will take the time to participate in activities commemorating the holiday including volunteering, attending a prayer vigil or other activities to raise awareness of the need for active citizen participation in our city, county, state, and country.

Uniform Donations

We are in need of uniform parts...pants, shirts, belts, etc. for emergency situations as well as for those families in need during this economic downturn. Mrs. Lenneman reminds you that these can be gently used items; don't shop 'til you drop. Please help us out and your fellow community members.

You could be eligible for up to \$6,788 through the Earned Income Tax Credit

Do you qualify?

- Families with **three or more children** who earn less than **\$43,279** (single parent) or less than **\$48,279** (married) in 2009 are eligible for a federal refundable credit of up to **\$5,657**. **State EITC is 20%: \$1,131.**
- Families with **two children** who earn less than **\$40,295** (single parent) or less than **\$45,295** (married) in 2009 are eligible for a credit of up to **\$5,028**. **State EITC is: \$1,005.**
- Families with **one child** who earn less than **\$35,463** (single parent) or less than **\$40,463** (married) in 2009 are eligible for a credit of up to **\$3,043**. **State EITC is: \$608.**
- Workers **without a qualifying child** who earn less than **\$13,440** (single parent) or less than **\$18,440** (married) in 2009 are eligible for a credit of up to **\$457**. **State EITC is: \$91.**

***To file your taxes online for FREE IRS-trained volunteers, call 211**

***No kids or kids grown, you are still eligible for free tax filing if your income is \$50,000 or less**

Board of Directors Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 5:30 PM** in the school's library area. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Board agendas are posted in the entryway before the meeting. We hope to see you there!

Tutoring

There will be ***NO*** tutoring for the week of ***January 18-22***. Your child will only attend tutoring if they receive an invitation for the next session. Tutors and schedules will all be changing when we start tutoring on ***January 25***.

Cub Scouts

The Cub Scout pack of Capital Area Academy will hold it's first meeting of 2010 on ***Monday, January 25, 2010*** after school, 3:45-4:45 PM. Please make a note of this calendar date if applicable.

Driveway and Parking Lot Etiquette

Just a reminder that both before and after school that ***THERE IS TO BE NO PARKING IN THE DRIVEWAY*** during arrival and dismissal. This includes pre-school parents. If you must come inside to pick up a child, please park in the lot and walk inside. The center lane is a drive through lane, not a pick up or drop-off lane. Safety first! I would hate to have to park a tow-truck in the driveway during these times. Please be considerate of everyone and adhere to the program.

Reminder of School wide Expectations

Parents, please ensure that you child is ***NOT*** bringing gum or cell phones to school. These items are creating all sorts of problems during the day, and we are having a difficult time getting students to follow the rules. Suspending a student for chewing gum is excessive, but that is where we are heading. The same goes for carrying a cell phone during the school day.

Please help us to keep CAA a peaceful, clean, and happy place to learn and grow!

CAA Basketball Teams

We are excited for the start of another basketball season at CAA! Practices have already begun. Each team will have one night of practice.

The **3rd and 4th Grade** team will be coached by Mrs. Mogollon and Ms. Stafford. Practices will begin on February 1st, and will be on Monday nights, from 4:00 to 5:00.

The **5th and 6th Grade** team will be coached by Mr. Barrons and Mr. Cronkite. Practices will be on Wednesday nights, from 4:00 to 5:30.

The **7th and 8th Grade** team will be coached by Mr. Klee and Mrs. Villegas. Practices will be on Tuesday nights, also from 4:00 to 5:30.

Along with scheduled practice times, there will also be "scrimmage nights" once per month that all middle school basketball players are welcome to attend. These nights will be announced at a later date.

*The only students allowed to stay after school will be those who are on the basketball team. **Siblings, other relatives, or friends of players are not allowed to stay after school.***

Box Top Winner!

Mrs. DeYoung's 2nd grade class collected the most Box Tops for the month of January. They will be rewarded with ice cream during one of their lunch times. Alica S. was also an individual Box Top winner.

Donate/recycle

Please send in the front picture of old Christmas cards. We will use them for crafts/projects next year. Thank you.