



# Manzanita Messenger



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Sept. 9—PTA Meeting 2:15pm in Room 4

Sept. 9—First Day of school M/W Kindergarten students

Sept. 10—First Day of school T/Th Kindergarten students

Sept. 24— Granger’s class to Crater Lake

Sept. 25— Davidson’s class to Crater Lake

Oct. 3— Manzanita Open House 6-7pm

Oct. 4 — Jog-A-Thon @ Fleming Track

## Thoughts from the Principal.....

Dear Manzanita families,

Welcome back! I am so excited to get the 2013-2014 school year started. The entire staff is thrilled to have the opportunity to work with your student each day.

There are many goals we have as a school and they are outlined in the School Improvement Plan. The plan details our goals for math, reading, science, parent involvement, attendance, and general operations. Your input in reviewing these goals is vital. We will be discussing the School Improvement Plan during the PTA meeting on September 9th and October 14th from 2:15-3:00pm. Both meetings will be held in Ms. Dow’s classroom and all are welcome.

Much of Manzanita’s success can be attributed to our involved families. Our teachers and classified staff strive for excellence, and do every-

thing in their power to make sure students feel safe, confident, and successful during their time at Manzanita.

Below are just a few things to keep in mind when starting a new year:

1. Keep a close line of communication with your child’s teacher.
2. Read the newsletter published by our school.
3. Get involved with the Manzanita PTA.
4. Talk to your child about his or her school experience on a daily basis.
5. Make sure your child is getting plenty of rest, eating right, and hand washing on a regular basis.

Thank you and have a great year!

*Jessica Durrant*

### Lunch times

Here are the lunch and recess times for Manzanita students:

#### 11:00-11:20

- Kindergarten and 1st eat lunch
- 2nd and 3rd have recess

#### 11:20-11:40

- Kindergarten and 1st have recess
- 2nd and 3rd eat lunch

#### 11:40-12:00

- 4th and 5th grade eat lunch

#### 12:00-12:20

- 4th and 5th grade have recess

If you are coming to school to have lunch with your student, please remember to check in at the office and get a visitor sticker.

Thank you!

## SITE COUNCIL

The Site Council is a committee of staff and parents that serve as an advisory leadership team for Manzanita. This year, parents are represented by Lisa Kissel, Maria Kilborn, and Kelly Smith.

*Please feel free to call Mrs. Durrant at 541-479-6433 regarding questions or concerns that you would like to bring to our attention.*

*Parents please remember to call the office, 541-479-6433 before 10:00am to let us know if your child will be absent. If the school has not heard from you, you will get a phone call from our automated calling system checking on your student. Thank your for communicating with us to help your child succeed!*



## TITLE ONE

Manzanita receives federal funds for Title One programs that are part of the No Child Left Behind Act. Throughout the school year, we will continue to provide parents with important information about this law and your child's education.

You have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher. When you request this information, the district will provide you with this information in a timely manner. You have the right to request the following information:

- A. If the teacher has met state licensing requirements for the grade level and subjects in which the teacher is providing instruction.
- B. If the teacher is teaching under an emergency status for which state licensing requirements have been waived.
- C. The type of college degree and major of the teacher and the field of discipline for any graduate degrees and certificates.
- D. If your child is receiving Title One services from paraprofessionals and, if so, his/her qualifications.

If you would like this information, please contact the school at 541-479-6433.

# MANZANITA NEWS

## Volunteers

We are very thankful for the volunteers that donate time to Manzanita. If you are interested in volunteering at school, you must complete a volunteer application form. This must be done every year for every volunteer. For those parents new to Manzanita, you also need to attend Volunteer Orientation with Mrs. Durrant. Please contact the office to schedule this orientation.

Volunteer Application forms are available in the office and must be returned prior to working with students. Thank you for keeping our students safe and a HUGE thank you for volunteering at Manzanita!!

## Advocate Corner

Book Exchange: The book exchange has started! You are welcome to visit the Learning Center and either exchange one of your books for another one or just select one to read at home.

Clothes Corner: There are clothes available for kids in the Learning Center. Come on by and pick out what you need!

Wish List: We are in need of children's belts. If you have extra belts at home, consider donating them to the Family Advocate.

Thank you for your continued support of the Advocate Corner!

## Education of all Disabled

### Children/Young Adults

Public Law 105.17 know as I.D.E.A. (Individualized Disability Education Act) requires that school districts provide a free and appropriate education to all disabled children/young adults from birth to age 21.

Three Rivers School District requests the identification of any disabled children/young adults between the ages of birth to 21, who are not enrolled or currently being served by the district school.

*If you know of any disabled children/young adults between the ages of birth to 21 who are not receiving educational services, please call the Special Education Department of the Three Rivers School District. The phone number is 541-862-3111.*