



Hello Parents,

Ok, buckle up, June is here! There are now officially 13 ½ days of school remaining.

Please read through this newsletter as there are important end of year reminders/updates that parents need to be aware of.

Some specific things I would like parents to take note of:

- End of Year School Schedule
- Ice Cream Social and Bingo Night: June 2nd
- Field Day Volunteers Needed
- YMCA Enrichment Opportunities for 2022-2023

I would also like to thank the entire McAuliffe community for all you have done to support our students the past year. September began with anticipation and excitement as we returned to in-person learning. We also started the year wondering how things would unfold, hoping that in-person learning would not be disrupted as a result of COVID. Although there were bumps along the way, I am pleased to be finishing the school year celebrating with students and families and resuming past traditions.

As we look to next year we are planning for a full in-person experience for our students. We will continue to monitor the COVID situation, following safety requirements from the district. However, should things progress as we have seen the past two months I anticipate a more typical school year in 2022-2023. Fifth grade students will return to Outdoor Education in September. Assemblies, field trips, and parent volunteer opportunities will go back to the way they were prior to the pandemic. It's going to be awesome!

Again, thank you for your amazing support of our school. I am grateful to be the Principal of Christa McAuliffe Elementary and for the privilege of working with such amazing students, staff, and parents.

Here's to a great finish to the 2021-2022 School Year!

Brady Howden
Principal
Christa McAuliffe Elementary

End of Year School Schedule

Please see the schedule below regarding our end of year school schedule and school events.

- Monday, May 30th: No School, Memorial Day
- Tuesday, May 31st: Regular School Day (Snow Make-up Day)
- Thursday, June 2nd: Ice Cream Social and Bingo Night, 5:45pm-8:00pm
- Wednesday, June 8th: Field Day
- Tuesday, June 14th: Kindergarten Graduation, 2:20pm
- Thursday, June 16th: Fifth Grade Promotion, 2:20pm
- Friday, June 17th: Half Day, 12:20pm Dismissal



Ice Cream Social and Bingo Night: June 2nd

Please join us on Thursday, June 2nd from 5:45pm-8:00pm for a combined Ice Cream Social/Bingo night **extravaganza**. Yes, I said extravaganza! "Extravaganza" is defined as being "an elaborate and spectacular entertainment or production." Our end of year celebrations will combine two events (Ice Cream Social and Bingo Night), be the first in-person community event in two years, have multiple teachers joining in the celebration, have fantastic prizes, and be FREE! So, yes, I believe this qualifies as an extravaganza!

We are planning on holding the event on the blacktop by the side parking lot. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we will instead hold the event in the gym/commons. We will serve prepackaged ice cream and popsicles, between 5:45pm-6:30pm. That will be followed by bingo and raffle prizes from 6:30pm-8:00pm. We hope you will join us for this fun event as it will be a great way to celebrate the year.

Field Day Volunteers Needed

We are looking for 55 parent volunteers to help us with Field Day on Wednesday, June 8th from 9:30am-11:30am. Currently, we only have around 20 parents signed up. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact our PE teacher, Stacie Strong, at sstrong@lwsd.org. Volunteers will help set up, lead, and take down stations. The stations will be easy to run, with equipment ready and directions provided.

Per district protocol, all parents must fill out a volunteer application and provide proof of vaccination. Information on how to provide this information is included below.

- [Volunteer Application Process](#)
- [Online Volunteer Application](#)
 - upload driver's license/passport
 - send copy of vaccination to hcobb@lwsd.org
 - or show vaccination proof to Heather Cobb in front office
- [Hard Copy Volunteer Application](#)
 - print and submit fillable PDF to hcobb@lwsd.org or teacher
 - make a copy or bring your driver's license to be copied
 - make a copy or bring your vaccination proof
- [Volunteer Status Check](#) (if you have applied previously)
 - If you do not have a "yes" next to your name, you are not cleared to volunteer

YMCA Enrichment Opportunities for 2022-2023

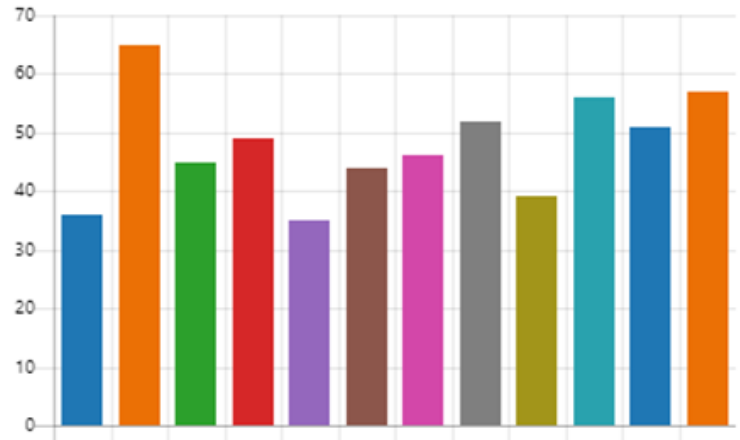
Families recently provided input regarding the types of enrichment activities they would be interested in having their students participate next year. Below are the results of our survey.

Our PTSA and the YMCA will use the survey data to inform enrichment offerings for next year. More info will come via the YMCA and PTSA, so stay tuned! In the meantime, if you have any questions please feel free to email the PTSA VP of Enrichment, Jayme Jonas, at enrichment@mcauliffeptsa.org.

2. Which enrichment activities would your child be interested in?

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JUNE

- 2 Ice Cream Social/BINGO Night
- 8 Field Day, 10:00-11:30am
- 10 Star Drawing
- 14 Kindergarten Graduation, 2:20pm—3:50pm
- 15 Full Day Wednesday, 3:50pm Dismissal
- 16 Fifth Grade Promotion, 2:20pm—3:50pm
- 17 Last Day of School, 12:20pm Dismissal

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 2022-2023 School Year September 6th—9:20am

Music

What a year we've had! McAuliffe students have listened to over 35 different pieces of classical, jazz, rock and more, we've played ukuleles, xylophones, rhythm instruments, danced and played games. We've had multiple Disco Ball parties, and monthly class recitals. And most of all we've enjoyed making music together! The "cat is out of the bag" and most of you know I am retiring. I've taught for 36 years (26 years at McA). I love teaching and sharing my love of music. My hope is that I've started the fire in your child so they can be life-long lovers of music. I wish you all the best. Maybe I'll see you on the golf course, on the ski slopes or camping in the National Parks! Have a lovely summer.

Janet jwarren@lwsd.org

PE

Hello Parents!

I cannot believe June is here! In PE, we'll be playing favorite games and preparing for Field Day. If you're interested in volunteering and are vaccinated (proof to Mrs. Cobb) and district approved please consider joining us on Wednesday, June 8th, at 9:30-11:30. Send me an email and I will add your name to the list. I need about 58 volunteers and currently have 15. Thank you! Have a wonderful and restful summer!

Stacie and Brandt

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Counselor Corner

Hello McAuliffe Families! We can't believe it is June! Thank you all for your hard work this year. We are so proud of the progress of our students. This month, we are finishing small groups for friendship, self-regulation (Stop and Think), self-esteem and assertiveness (Power Me Up) and handling changes at home (Changing Families). The counseling team is teaching lessons about career exploration and helping students to feel excited about their bright futures. We are working closely with the 5th Grade team to help with the transition to middle school who we will miss dearly!).

As always, students and families are welcome to visit our office for individual supports. We will send out more resources to support students and their families in the summer, so please look out for that in June. Please feel free to reach out to us via email at: ldaniel@lwsd.org. Given how busy it has been, we also encourage you to CC emails to Ms. Daniel's counseling intern, Hannah Pomfret, hpomfret@lwsd.org, so that we can meet the needs of your student and family in a more timely fashion. Thank you for your patience and partnership.

Keeping Kids First,
Lisa Daniel
School Counselor
Hannah Pomfret
School Counseling Intern



Library Resource Center

It's time to return your library books! May 30 - June 3 is the last week the students will check out books from the library. The following week, all library books need to be returned! Our goal is to have every book back into the library no later than June 10th. All year I've told students books they believe are lost are most likely just hiding in their classroom or house somewhere. If you haven't already, now is the time to really search for those books! You will receive an email on June 3rd stating what books your child has checked out. Part of that email will mention a replacement fee for any lost books. While it's not required, it is appreciated if you send in a check written to Christa McAuliffe Elementary for any books that cannot be found so we can purchase a new copy. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Julie jumartin@lwsd.org

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