



Wednesday Flyer: October 5, 2016

Upcoming Events:

- 10/5 - Girls' BB @ Colfax
- 10/5 - Cross Country @ Empire Mine
- 10/6-10/7 - NO SCHOOL, Fall Break
- 10/11 - Family Dining Out @ Panda Express, Lincoln
- 10/13 - Garden Work Day, 3:15p-5:15p

PTA's Pizza and Dance Kick Off Event!

Thank you to all of the volunteers that helped make our Pizza Night and Dance event last Friday a great success!

Garden Work Day / Donations

On Thursday afternoon, October 13th the Green Room is hosting a Garden Work Day from 3:15-5:15p. Everyone is invited to join them and earn some volunteer hours. Also, in lieu of working in the garden you can earn your volunteers hours by donating \$10 (per hour) towards the Garden for purchasing seeds, soil, etc.!

Parking Lot Etiquette / Volunteers

Our parking lot volunteers are out in the mornings to ensure everyone's safety. Please follow their lead. Below is a reminder of our parking lot etiquette:

- o There is only one lane of traffic coming down the long driveway.
- o The Preschool loop is not to be used to "cut" in front of other cars waiting. Preschool parents: To ensure safety, NO LEFT TURNS from the preschool dropoff area; please proceed through the parking lot as you exit.
- o If you see a "hole" in the loading/unloading zone, this does not mean that you can go around cars in front of you to get that spot. Please use common courtesy and wait your turn.
- o The right hand lane (closest to the curb) is the only lane that we will allow kids to get into / out of cars from. This is the pickup/drop off lane. You are never to leave your car unattended or parked in this lane. PLEASE DO NOT BLOCK CROSSWALKS!
- o The beginning of the right hand lane (for pickup purposes) is at our fire gate. Please do not park in front of this area as it impedes traffic flow.
- o The left hand lane in the school parking lot is the drive through lane for parking purposes. For safety reasons, it is not the "hurry up and get in the car to bypass the long line" lane. Please use this lane if you are going to park your vehicle to drop off / pickup your child. Note: The church parking lot is available for MMCA parents during our school day or events at night.
- o There are two crosswalks for a reason, and we require everyone to use them. It's very important that the crosswalk is used, and please hold the hands of the little ones, as they are hard to see over the hoods of cars. Please help us keep you and your family safe and use the crosswalks at all times.
- o If at all possible, please have your child load and unload from the passenger side, so that there are no accidents.
- o We ask that you drive all the way up to the next car in the unloading/loading zone so that we can get more kids in and out of their cars. **Teachers and parent volunteers will be on the sidewalk directing traffic during student pickup, so please follow their lead.**

[We are a Safe and Caring School - Theme for October](#)

Discovering Our Feelings

- Awareness and Appropriate Expression of Feelings
- Anger Management
- Problem Solving
- Assertiveness

[Volunteer Hours Tracking](#)

We encourage parents to continue their support by being an active participant in their child's education by volunteering 40 hours per family per school year.

This week, families are receiving their first Volunteer Hours statements. **To track your cumulative volunteer hours, please log them in the appropriate binder in the office. We will continue to send home notices throughout the year (at conferences and with report cards, etc.) showing your current number of hours recorded to date.**

We value and encourage families to participate in school events, parent teacher conferences, attend PTA meetings, volunteer their time at school, and other parent enrichment activities provided by the school to inform and encourage parents to be leaders in our school community.

There are many volunteer opportunities during school hours, after school, or during the weekend. Volunteer opportunities include helping out in the office, or classroom, on field trips, with our Art Docent Program, Garden Docent Program, or our PTA. Volunteering and attending school events, PTA general meetings, PTA board meetings, and/or joining a committee are all ways to earn volunteer hours.

[Children's House Enrollment Opportunities!](#)

We have a couple of spots left in our full day, 5 days per week private preschool program. If you have any questions about our preschool program, please email Mrs. Bass at jbass@mmcharter.org.