

Friday Folder

October 14, 2022

Peace, Passion, Purpose

Free the child's potential, and you will transform him into the world.

[Maria Montessori](#)

Notes from Michelle

Please remember that Parent Observations are this week. We have guidelines for you below. We are very excited to be able to provide this opportunity for the first time in three years. Please note, masks are required and the observation is for 10 minutes.

We look forward to seeing you this week.

**** AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP REMINDER ****

If the line of cars has reached the end of our parking lot, please drive past the parking lot and turn around so that the line of cars is along the side of the road next to the ball fields. We cannot create traffic problems along Hutchinson by having both lanes congested in front of the school.



THIS WEEK AT EPMS

PARENT OBSERVATION WEEK: October 17-21
(Early Dismissal Friday, October 21)

PARENT TEACHER PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS: October 24-28
(Early Dismissal all week - October 24-28)

REGULAR SCHOOL HOURS START:

- Elementary Gr 1-6: 8:30am-3:00pm (Gate closes at 8:30am and opens at 3:00pm)
- Adolescent Program Gr 7&8: 8:30am-3:15pm
- Wednesdays and other Early Dismissal Days- 1:15pm



Eagle Peak Montessori School

Observation Guidelines

1. Please remember to respect the environment of the classroom.
 2. Please do not interact with the students unless they approach you.
 3. Please do not disturb the teachers during your observation.
 4. Please do not interact with other parents during observation.
 3. Please remain in the seat or area indicated by the teacher as the observation area.
 4. Please turn off all cell phones during your observation.
 5. Please no photos or videos during your observation.
 6. Please do not stay past your 10 minutes so that other parents may begin their observation.
 7. Mask must be worn properly the entire time of the observation.
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DRESS CODE REMINDERS

General Guidelines

In Montessori classrooms, even in preprimary (ages 3-6), we call the activities in a classroom that students interact with “work” or “jobs”. In order to create an environment that respects the classrooms as workspace, both students and teachers are asked to dress in a manner appropriate for a workplace. Clothing should be comfortable and allow students and teachers to work on both the floor and at desks without being too restrictive or too loose. The following are the expectations for attire at school:

- T-shirts, backpacks, or lunch boxes should not include violent themes, or depictions of television, movie, cartoon, or other licensed characters. Musical groups may be allowed, so long as they do not contain violent or profane images or phrases. (Profane being defined as subject matter, which would be found in movies or songs with ratings over “G”.)
- Clothing that promotes negative or offensive messages including those that are in opposition to the school’s philosophy.
- Dress, accessories and jewelry which contain obscene, symbols, signs or slogans, and /or which slur or degrade on the basis of race, religion, ethnicity, gender, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity and impose a threat of imminent violence or disruption to the orderly operation of the school shall not be worn.
- Dress that contains language or symbols supporting sex, drugs, alcohol, tobacco or weapons shall not be worn.

- Clothing should be comfortable, washable, and suitable for the weather conditions and school activities.
- Pants, shorts, and skirts must reach the mid-thigh of the wearer.
- Clothing should not allow for undergarments to be visible. (Ex: shoulder straps should be at least two fingers in width, shirts should not have openings on the side that extend past the armpit, shirts and tops should cover the waist, shirts should not be racer back or leave openings where undergarments show)
- Clothing that is very loose or long may cause children to trip, especially during games, dancing, and physical education.
- Headbands should not be more than 1 inch in height. (This is in regards to headbands that have cat ear shapes or unicorn horns on top.)
- Shoes should not cause a disruption in the classroom and also be comfortable and safe for sports, gardening, and walking excursions, no flip flops(for elementary children), no "light up" shoes, "heeries" or zories.

News from PTLG

The Parent Teacher Leadership Group is happy to launch monthly meetings again as a way to offer parent education and opportunities for communication between the parent community and the school. Our next meeting will be held remotely on Thursday October 20th at 7 pm. Look for an email next week with more information and the Zoom link. The following meeting will be held at the school on November 17th. We will continue to alternate between in person and remote meetings. Feel free to contact coordinators Rachel Hallquist and Abe Doherty at ptlg@eaglepeakmontessori.org.



News from CCC

International Day is Coming Back!

We are very happy to announce that International Day is returning to Eagle Peak this December 20th! Many of our EPMS families have never experienced International Day in all its glory, but historically it has been a highlight of the year for students and parents. It's a special sensory experience where six classrooms are transformed into six nations from around the world and students get to "travel" with a passport to learn about these nations through hands-on activities, artifacts, music and more. This year we will be on-campus once again with vaccinated parent volunteers decorating classrooms and leading activities. We are trying to also bring back the International Food Court in some form since this is a very engaging sensory experience and an opportunity for more families to share something from their cultural background. If you're interested in volunteering for this event please [complete this form](#) as soon as possible. Planning begins this month!

Fingerprinting Process

If you have not been fingerprinted by MDUSD, you will need to be in order to volunteer on our campus and/or participate in field trips. Please go to the MDUSD.org website, Search for VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTIONS. You will find instructions for getting fingerprinted. You will need a current TB Test (bring that with you when getting fingerprinted).

Annual Giving Update

Dear Eagle Peak Friends and Families,

Instead of having a donation amount goal, we have a goal of 100% participation! This aligns with our motto: "Every child matters. Every donation counts." We have a suggested donation of \$2223 to celebrate the year, but we appreciate any amount that your family can afford to donate!

Please visit the link to donate today:

<https://www.cfep.us/donate-annual-giving/>

Annual Giving Funds Pledged as of today: \$41,566

% Participation of families: 8%

In gratitude,
The Community Foundation for Eagle Peak

SAVE THE DATE! - Family Fall Bingo!

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Saturday, October 22nd, 2-4pm

Our Fall Bingo event is NEXT Saturday, October 22nd from 2-4pm! We are so excited to bring this event to campus! Tickets are \$5 per child, and can be purchased [HERE](#). They include one bingo card, one Italian soda of their choice, and a goodie bag. You will be able to purchase extra bingo cards (\$1/ea), Italian sodas (\$1/ea), and snacks at the event. There will be no food for sale, other than snacks, but you are welcome to bring food with you! Adults are free and are welcome to play Bingo, but keep in mind that the prizes will be kid focused. If you have any questions, please contact Megan Daoudi at megan@cfep.us or Laura Desautels at laura@cfep.us.

NOTE: Since this event is held outdoors, and with keeping our school's mask policy in mind, masks will be optional at this event.



Lunch

There is an option for food to be available on campus for our students if requested. Please complete this [form no later than Tuesday, October 17th by 7am](#), if you would like for your child to receive these options:

Breakfast- Belvita Breakfast Bar/Horizons Milk

Lunch- "make your own" sunbutter/jelly whole wheat bread sandwich with applesauce and Horizons Milk

[LUNCH FORM](#)

News from Mr. Jonathan our Art Teacher

Mr. Jonathan is looking for donations of Crayola White Air Dry clay.

I want to encourage everyone to visit the Art Cottage at 2238 Mt. Diablo Street in Concord. The gallery is completely free and for all ages. It's an amazing opportunity to explore the different art mediums and events.



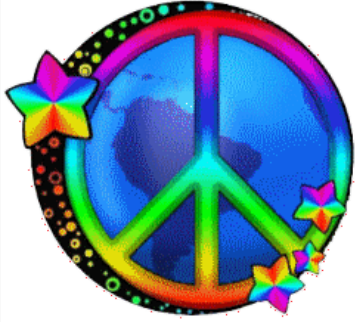
PLEASE CHECK THE LOST AND FOUND RACK

Please check the Lost and Found rack.

It is bursting at the seams!

Help us please.





News from the Office

Please remember to notify the office when your child will be absent, late or leaving early.

You can email - ADMIN@EAGLEPEAKMONTESSORI.ORG

or

You can call - 925-946-0994

If your child is out for 2 or more days, please request an Independent Study package. Please email both the teachers and Miss Amy (anelson@eaglepeakmontessori.org) with your request.

If you plan on doing any volunteering on our campus, the office requires a copy of your COVID vaccination card (along with proof of your MDUSD fingerprinting and TB tests).

Please remember to send your student to school with their water bottle.

Social Media Support for CFEP

Social Media Support!

Did you know that CFEP has social media pages??? We are ramping up our social media presence for both Eagle Peak and CFEP, so please make sure you like our pages and follow our posts. If you see one of our posts, please make sure you like, comment, or tag a fellow parent! These are all great ways to support the school and it costs NOTHING!!

Follow the links below to find our pages easily:

[CFEP Facebook](#)

[CFEP Instagram](#)

[Eagle Peak Facebook](#)

[Eagle Peak Instagram](#)

Volunteer Opportunities

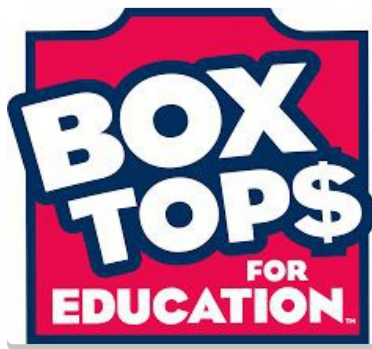
WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE HELPING HANDS IN OUR SCHOOL'S PARKING LOT. WE HAVE A STOP SIGN THAT NEEDS HOLDING AND WOULD APPRECIATE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP CARS PARK AND BACKOUT SAFELY DURING DISMISSAL TIME TOO. PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP TO TAKE JUST ONE SHIFT A WEEK. IT'S A QUICK AND EASY WAY TO EARN THOSE MUCH-NEEDED VOLUNTEER HOURS. MOST SHIFTS ONLY TAKE ABOUT 20 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME.

PARKING LOT PERK, EP COUNTS EVERY SHIFT WORKED IN THE PARKING LOT AS 30 MINUTES OF VOLUNTEER HOURS. IT'S A WIN-WIN AND A FUN WAY TO GET TO KNOW OUR EAGLE PEAK FAMILIES. PLEASE CONTACT JENSI ATTENGRFN TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFO



Students Sent Home Sick

Please help us help you. We ask that you speak to your child about coming to the office for being ill. While we want anyone who is feeling ill to let us know, we want to also help the students be able to know when a stomach ache might just be a bit of homesickness instead. We are not medical professionals and as such must err on the side of caution. Every time a child comes to the office and says that they have any of the potential symptoms of covid, they must be picked up within 30 minutes and be tested for covid. Thank you for your cooperation.



Don't forget about Box Top\$ for Education!

Remember to gather your Box Tops for Education.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt within 14 days of purchase. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to Eagle Peak's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your e-receipts and earn Box Tops. Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. Learn more about how Box Tops works at BTFE.com.

Waste Free Wednesdays

On Wednesdays we encourage students to bring little to no waste such as wrappers or anything that goes in to the trash bin. Instead we encourage you to bring reusable, recyclable and compostable containers. Participating in waste free Wednesday will ensure our school is a cleaner place.



**REMINDERS FROM COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR
EAGLE PEAK (CLICK HERE TO DONATE)**

ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN GIVE!



SUBSCRIPTIONS AVAILABLE
CREDIT OR PAYPAL



ANNUAL AUCTION
ATTEND OR DONATE ITEMS



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