

Friday Folder

October 21, 2022

Peace, Passion, Purpose

Empathy is choosing to see ourselves in another despite our differences. It's recognizing that the same humanity - the same desire for meaning, fulfillment and security - exists in each of us, even if it's expressed uniquely.

[Vivek Murthy](#)

Empathy is the starting point for creating a community and taking action. It's the impetus for creating change.

[Max Carver](#)

Notes from Michelle

We hope that you have all enjoyed the observation time in the classrooms this week. While it is a short period, we hope that helps to demonstrate how different our classrooms are than in a traditional setting. What may seem like chaos to some is all about students working independently or with friends, in a peaceful and purposeful way. We look forward to hosting you again in the Spring.

Tomorrow is the BINGO for kids on campus from 2pm-4pm- SEE YOU THERE.

Don't forget- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28th is Historical Halloween. At 11am we will open the gates and allow parents to visit our Halloween Timeline. Please remember you are required to wear a mask while attending this event even though it is held outside. We cannot allow visitors to attend without a mask (this is part of the adult protocol for masking on campus shared in August with families). You will be permitted to take your child home with you after the timeline if you choose. However, we ask that you allow them to return to their classroom and you can meet them there at the end of the allotted time for the event.

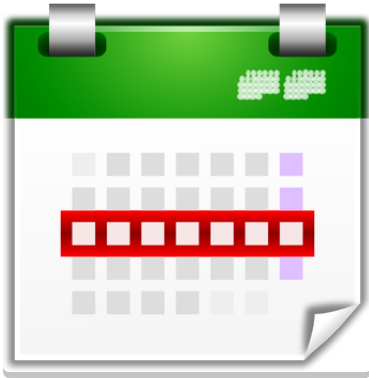
We have started our annual process of enrollment which begins with the prospective parent meetings. Each meeting re-inspires my love for Eagle Peak, when I get to discuss the uniqueness that is this school of choice. It is our goal to educate families so that they can determine if our philosophy and values are the right choice for their family.

Remember that all the parent -teacher partnership meetings will be held on ZOOM. Please let your child's teacher know if you need assistance setting up a way to hold this meeting.

Have a great weekend.

**** 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 TEACHER PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS: October 24-28

Dismissal is 1:15p all week - October 24-28

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, "heelies" or zories.

News from PTLG

Did you know that attending school meetings such as the monthly Parent Teacher Leadership Group, the Community Foundation of Eagle Peak or the Board meetings count as volunteer time? At Eagle Peak, parents are requested to volunteer 40 hours/year (20 hours for additional students). Participating in these meetings helps build a thriving school community in which parents are aware of what school leaders are working on to support our students in learning. At the monthly PTLG meetings, parents have an opportunity to ask questions, get to know each other and learn about opportunities to volunteer. The next PTLG meetings are at 7 pm on Thursday, November 17th in person at the school and on Thursday December 8th remotely on Zoom. We are planning parent education opportunities for upcoming meetings, such as Montessori approaches to learning and transition to high school.



Please keep track of your volunteer hours and stop by the office when you get a chance to record your hours in the binder that is kept on a shelf on the right. There is a page for each family to write down dates/times for volunteering. This information on volunteering is compiled and shared with the school district to help document the contribution of parents to support the school. The data on the number of hours that parents volunteer also helps when the school is applying for funding opportunities. So please do keep notes on when you volunteer and periodically put it into the binder in the office. Thank you everyone!

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!

November Childcare

Please download and print the November Childcare if needed.

Due November 1, 2022.



FF November 22 Childcare.pdf

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370.8 KB



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).

Introducing Catie Ivers - Chair of the Annual Auction

Hi! My name is Catie Ivers, I have a daughter, Lucy, in 501. We started Eagle Peak in 2019 and I was the co-chair of the auction that year which unfortunately we had to cancel last minute due to covid. So, as you can imagine how excited we are to be bringing back the auction in person this year. As chair of the Auction Committee, I am reaching out for volunteers to help me, make this auction the most successful one yet! Please feel free to email me at civers@gmail.com if you are interested! This is a great opportunity to get those volunteer hours in, for those of us that can't do on campus volunteering.

Thank you!!

Catie



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: \$46,885

% Participation of families: 10%



Family Fall Bingo!

Family Fall Bingo

Our Fall Bingo event is TOMORROW Saturday, October 22nd from 2-4pm!

IMPORTANT NOTE: Our parking lot will be impacted by Castle Rock Sports tomorrow, so we have reserved the Northgate parking lot. Please park there and walk to our school across the field. If you park in a permitted area in our local neighborhood, you can be towed.

Tickets are \$5 per child, and can still be purchased [HERE](#). Ticket sales will close at midnight tonight, but you can purchase at the door as well. 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.

See's Candy Fundraiser

We have launched our holiday See's candy store for your upcoming holiday gift giving! Our store will be open from now until the end of the holiday season! Every purchase sends 50% back to the school, and See's is a locally run business. If you share the link to your friends and family, they can order and it will benefit the school too. This is an AMAZING opportunity to support Eagle Peak!!



Follow this link to go directly to our store: <https://tinyurl.com/mtpctcwb>



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

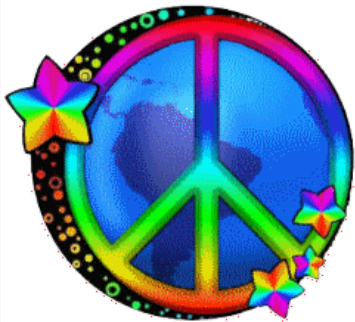
Please check the Lost and Found rack.

We now have 2 racks full of jackets and random shirts. We also have water bottles and the lunchbox. We're sure that these all belong to our EPMS students.

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.

Upcoming Dine and Donate at Panera - November 16, 2022

Mark your calendars.... we have a new yummy opportunity to support Eagle Peak! On November 16th, from 4pm-8pm Panera Bread (5442 Ygnacio Valley Rd, Suite 20) in Concord will be having a Dine and Donate. Come get dinner for the family, and 20% will go back to our school! Please be sure to show the digital flyer attached, or use the code (on the flyer) when you order online so that it counts towards our fundraiser.



See you there!



FF Dine and Donate Panera.pdf

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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



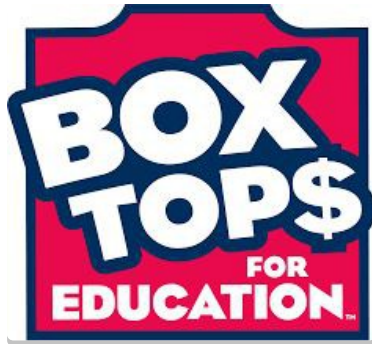
WAY TO EARN THOSE MUCH-NEEDED VOLUNTEER HOURS. MOST SHIFTS ONLY TAKE ABOUT 20 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME.

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 JEN SLATTENGREN TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFO.

jenslattengren@gmail.com

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!



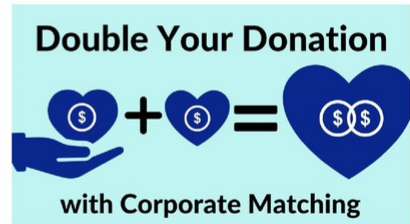
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