

Emerson Eaglet

November 1st, 2016



Dia de los Muertos

You are invited to celebrate Dia de los Muertos at EMERSON on **November 4th from 5:30 – 7:30 pm.**

This tradition started when a wonderful group of parent-volunteers were talking about ways to build a stronger community (specifically, ways to bring together Spanish-speaking and English-speaking families) and also increase the cultural component of our children's education. The first event was in 2010. It was a small party organized by dedicated volunteers who gave a lot of their time and creativity.

"It's exciting to see how it has grown! What a beautiful tradition it has been for our family, too." The Scott-Graff family—founding parents.

Since then, the event has grown and grown! We now have more sponsors, more than 500 guests in attendance, traditional dances, in-class education, more Latino/a leadership and lots of families coming together to create community while they help organizing this wonderful event!

Make an alter/nicho at home and bring it on Friday for our Altars Contest. We will have guest judges from our community.



Oct 28-Nov 22 Annual Food Drive
Nov 4-Day of the Dead Celebration
Nov 6-Daylight Savings Time
Nov 8-USA Election Day
Nov 16-Make-up School Picture Day
Nov 18-End of 1st Trimester
Nov 21-Maturation (5th & 6th grades)
Nov 22-Report Cards sent home
Nov 23-25-Thanksgiving-NO SCHOOL

Safety Plan Update

Here at Emerson, safety is our highest priority. In order to be in compliance with District Policy G-2, I wanted to inform you that Emerson's safety plan has been updated this year. The school emergency team helped train our faculty and has provided needed supplies for the emergency backpacks that are available in every classroom. In addition, Emerson continues to practice school safety drills in accordance with district policy. This year, Emerson is also using the CrisisManager app on teacher/staff cell phones. This way everyone will have Emerson's emergency plan and related procedures at their fingertips. If you have further questions, contact Ms. Reynolds.



Drop Off/Pick Up

Pick-up and Drop-off: The streets surrounding Emerson are small but with extra time planned in, patience, and slow, courteous driving, you will see that our system works very efficiently. Kids can be dropped off on Harrison Ave. (south side/front of building), or on McClelland Cir. (North/East of building off of 1300 south). Please remember: Safety is #1! Always be on the look-out. DO NOT park/drop-off in the bus zone on the west side of the school! It causes busses to have to back up or park differently which can be dangerous. DO NOT pull into the cafeteria parking lot or staff parking lot. Too many kids come through the parking lots. If you drop your child off on the west side of 1000 East, please have them use the crosswalk instead of cutting across the road by the cafeteria. This is unsafe for students and drivers.

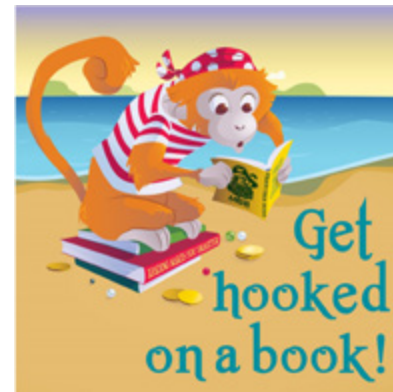
Parents and Students in the building before school

This is a reminder that **students must be accompanied by an adult in order to be in the building before school starts**. Students who are not with adults must enter the cafeteria through the northwest entrance or wait in front of the building until the bell rings at 7:55. Please do not enter the building with a child and then leave them in the building without adult supervision. If you would like to meet with your child's teacher, please set an appointment to meet with them. Work with your child's teacher on this issue. Some teachers are fine with parents popping into their classrooms before school, while others are busy planning for the day.



ME CLUB

ME Club tickets are awarded to kids who are caught following Emerson's school-wide expectations. Each staff member is given one per week to hand out. Students who receive ME tickets come to the office and sign a very important Eagle Binder, receive a ME club pencil and are entered into a bingo type board. When there are 10 or more squares in a row with student names, those students earn a mystery motivator with Ms. Reynolds. Our ME Club winners are: **Kylie J, Bridget B, Braxton R, Sol, Jaslina G, Josephine P, Thomas B, Zen M, Isabelle W and Mohamed F**. We are proud of our students and the great example they set for others!



Successful Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to the Book Fair during SEP Conferences. Because of your amazing support, our total sales were almost \$9,000.

You also donated an additional \$440 by purchasing the lollipops donated by Emerson Parent, Cat Nay. Your combined generosity means that Ms. Nelson is able to order approximately \$5,000 in new books for our library! Outstanding!!

Community Food Drive:

Each year Emerson partners with the University of Utah to collect food for the Utah Food Bank. Last year Emerson collected more food than any of the other 40 schools involved in the competition. The drive will go from October 28 - Nov. 22. Look for large bins in the hallways and work with your classroom to determine a class goal. Together we can help fight hunger and help care for our neighbors in need.

The Utah Food Bank needs canned, boxed and dried foods low in sodium and sugar. Healthy foods just like the ones that you like to eat.



Warm Hands/Warm Hearts:

Many Utahans are in need of sweaters, coats and blankets to keep warm this winter. Emerson will be supporting the Warm Hands/Warm Hearts initiative by collecting clothing in bins near the office. The Warm Hands/Warm Hearts initiative is a non-denominational project that serves the homeless statewide. Kids grow fast and your gently used items will find gracious new homes.



Help clean up the school yard and landscaping on November 15th.

Home Depot volunteers are donating their time to help us between 9am - noon.

Halloween Parade:

Friday Oct 28th the ghouls and goblins, fairys and superheros marched on Emerson to strut their stuff and show off their costumes. What costume did you like best? Stay creative and start planning for next year!



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