

Emerson Eaglet

September, 2018



Principle's Welcome

Thank you for an awesome start of the school year at Emerson! Things are looking good. **Our community garden is looking amazing thanks to Melissa, Michaela, and all of our volunteers.** We are adjusting to our new door camera and security procedures. Our teachers, staff, and students have jumped right in and there are so many positive things happening in classrooms. We are off to a great start.

Just a reminder about dropping your students off in the morning. The only door that is open before 7:55 is the cafeteria door on the west side of the building. **You may drop off your student on 1000 east and kids may come inside to enjoy breakfast or hang out and visit with friends. Supervision is provided beginning at 7:30 a.m.** Using this drop-off area will help with the morning traffic congestion on Harrison Avenue.

Please support the annual **Emerson Walk-a-Thon fundraising event taking place on September, 21st.** This event is sponsored by our PTA and money raised goes to supporting students. Donations pay for the carnival, year-books, teacher supplies, buses and entry fees to field trips. Every donation is appreciated. Thank you for supporting Emerson!
- Ms. Reynolds

Annual PTA Walk-a-Thon

Help the PTA help your school. The PTA encourages children at the school to raise money to help support, classroom grants, bus rides to field trips, new equipment, school spirit and teacher appreciation. The kids will walk, dance, jiggle around the field on Sept 21st to earn their donations.

Sept 21st 8:30-9:30 (kinder - 3rd)
9:30-10:30 (4th - 6th grades)

The year the PTA encourages families to **try and raise \$35-\$45** dollars per child to help support the school. No matter what your donation, each child will participate and know they are all doing what they can to help the school. Donations can be accepted in cash, check or online at <https://www.emersonptasc.org/>

Calendar

September

21 - Walk-a-thon (am)
22 - Online SEP scheduler opens
27 - 1/2-day of school
28 - no school

October

3 - PTA meeting (6:30 Emerson Library)
5 - RICO sales (12:30-1pm)
8 - Fall picture day
10 - SCC meeting (5:30 Emerson Library)
11 - Vision Screening
15 - 16 - SEP conferences
15 - 17 - Book Fair
16 - 17 - 1/2 day school
18 - 22 - No School (UEA)

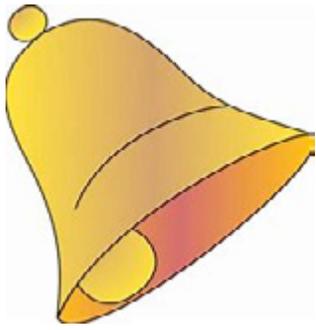


Ricos Food Sales the first Friday of the month. A portion of sales returns to the school PTA. - THANKS Ricos!



Find out where it's @

Sign up for the PTA mailing list. Send a "subscribe" email to emerson.pta01@gmail.com Find info online emersonptasc.org



Operation School Bell

It's the time of the year for Operation School Bell (OSB). OSB is a service that provides elementary students with new school clothing. **If you are a parent or guardian seeking clothing assistance for your**

child, or know of a family who would benefit, please let the school know. Emerson will do their best to accommodate your requests. Contact Zoe Romero (school counselor) for more information or if you have questions. You can reach her by phone at 801-481-4819 x 132 or by email at Zoe.Romero@slcschools.org. There is a short form to complete and turn in by **SEPTEMBER 19**.



Box Tops!

Clipping Box Tops is a simple way for your family to help our school earn easy money. Each Box

Top is worth 10¢, and quickly add up to real cash for our school. **Last year, Emerson earned \$950.50 from Box Top Collection.** Our 2018-2019 earnings goal is \$1,000.00. All money earned is used to provide teacher grants and classroom supplies. To help us reach our goal, we challenge you to identify Box Tops on products you may have in your cupboards/pantry, clip them and return them to school.

You can earn even more cash through the **Box Tops for Education® Bonus App** which turns your everyday grocery receipts into cash for Emerson. Download it today! It's free and easy. Simply review the app for the latest offers, buy the offered products, scan your receipt and watch the earnings add up! At the Emerson Community Board (located in the main hall), you will find additional collection sheets and a Box Top Collection Bin. There are also collection envelopes located in each classroom. Things to keep in mind: Box Tops expire, so please be sure to check expiration dates; You do not need to wait until your collection sheet is full to turn it in; and YES, Loose Box Tops (secured in a ziploc bag) are more than welcome. Thanks for your support!

Emerson PTA

SCC

The Emerson PTA (Parent Teacher Association) and SCC (School Community Council) are having an **open house at the Rico Warehouse on Wednesday September 19th from 5:30-7:00 PM.** (545 W 700 S, Salt Lake City, UT 84101) This event has become an Emerson tradition to kick off the year, and is a fun event to eat great food, share your voice in shaping issues and events at Emerson, and build community.

Many families are familiar with the PTA, but maybe not the SCC. Both are great ways for families to be involved in school events and issues. Each school in Utah is required to have an SCC, which advises on the school's Excellence and Equity Plan and develops a plan to spend Emerson's portion of the money from Utah's LAND Trust Account. Emerson has an active SCC that also takes on important policy issues and projects at the school.



Book Fair

The Scholastic Enchanted Forest Book Fair is coming and will soon turn the Library into our very own bookstore. Mark your calendar for a spellbinding visit on

October 15, 2018 from 2:30 - 7:30 p.m., October 16, 2018 from 12:30 - 7:30 p.m., and October 17, 2018 from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

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Immediate opening for a Reflections Art Contest Coordinator:

The PTA has annual opportunity to host and support student art through a national Reflections Art Contest. They national PTA funds the district, state and even national competition, but the local competition is just organized by the local school PTA. In past years we have held the contest, displayed the art in the mid-November and awarded prizes. Kids from Emerson have gone on to the local district competition in December. <https://www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections> Our local contest will be discontinued unless some-one steps up.

● Late Sept:

Design flyer to be handed out to students
Set timeline for turning in material and award

● October:

Organize acceptance of projects (usually a few mornings 7:45-8:15 plus bookkeeping)
Organize display of projects at the school
Organize judging

● November:

Awards.

Community Garden Coordinator

A new Garden Coordinator is needed for the next growth season (2019) Overlap with current coordinator (Melissa Brink) this fall to be ready for next year.

● Oversee keys to the garden and its equipment.

● Enlist additional volunteers through on-line signup sheets. = Lunchtime access, spring planting, summer wedding, fall turnover.

● Encourage teacher/classroom use.

Many thanks for Melissa Brink for her work to organize, nurture and promote our local community garden.



Food Recovery Program

For the past two years the PTA and SCC have supported a food recovery program inside Emerson. Unopened milk, fruit and sides have been recovered from the lunchroom and donated to the Road Home homeless shelter. Work by volunteers and students has recovered 9,337 items totaling 1,945 meals and saving 1,167 lbs of CO₂ landfill production.

We need a new volunteer to coordinate this program.

● Coordinate volunteers to box and tally recovered food.

● Coordinate or carry out transportation to the shelter Friday's mIDDay.

● Maintain storage of transfer crates during the week.

Your help can make all the difference. If you believe in these sustainability practice please email the PTA.

emerson.pta01@gmail.com otherwise the food will return to the trash.



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September Eaglet - Garden Update

Welcome back to the Emerson Elementary School Garden! Our group of parent volunteers have been busy over the summer weeding, watering, planting and enjoying our beautiful outdoor classroom. We hosted fun garden events over the summer including a Midsummer / Solstice salad party, a Seed Tapes for Fall breakfast, and a Proper Pesto Party, as well as seeing so many of you at Back to School Night. **Thank you to all of our summer volunteers and their families: Jessica Anderson, Dona Crowne, Annette Clark, Heidi Schubert, Carina Jackman, Angela Wilson, Annette Gillis, Kara Wheeler, Jenna Pike, Stacey Van Dahm, Jana Ward, Jan Striefel, Arwen Fuller, Carissa Monroy and Rachel Rees.** We far exceeded our goal of keeping the garden alive over the summer! Looking forward to a fun fall in the garden. Remember, the school garden is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays during lunch recess. Our 2018-2019 AmeriCorps Volunteer Michaela Lemen hosts the students and offers different garden experiences as well as a safe space to just exist and enjoy the garden. For more info and to see pics of Emerson's beautiful outdoor classroom check it out on **Instagram: @emersongarden1** and/or contact the garden at emersongarden@hotmail.com.

- Happy growing!!!



Sra. Pizzaro's 2nd grade class

