



DESERT HAPPENINGS

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| September 2 | September 4 | September 16-20 | September 20 | September 23 |
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| No School-Labor Day | Picture Day | ITBS Testing | Fall Fundraiser Begins | Picture Make-Up |

TK-8 to Attend McCallum Theatre

All grades, TK-8 will be attending the McCallum Theater on Tuesday, September 24 to watch the People's Republic of China, Hebei Province: Cirque Me!

This has become a school tradition as we have been able to see the first show of the season at the McCallum for the last several years. This will be our 7th annual trip to see an amazing show involving acrobats.

In this performance, students

will have the opportunity to see 40 elite circus artists and acrobats perform traditional & contemporary circus acts. They display a colorful and lively celebration of the internationally renowned Chinese circus arts.

The performance will begin at 9:30 a.m. Each classroom will send home permission slips as well as needs for drivers. See below for requirements to be a field trip driver/chaperone as there have been changes this year.



Parents Attend

School Last Night

Thank you to all the families who came to this year's annual "Parent Night." Information was shared about updates to this year's school handbook and volunteer policy as well as useful information about our school & extracurricular activities (music lessons & gymnastics). Then everyone was dismissed for classroom breakouts for specific information from teachers. If you missed last night for any reason, have additional questions, or need volunteer forms, please feel free to call or stop by the office.

Picture Day—Sept 4

School pictures are scheduled for Wednesday, September 4. School uniforms are not required on this day, but all students should look presentable as all student pictures will be taken & used in the yearbook. Order forms were sent home Friday. Extras available at

Field Trip Driver Policy Changes

To drive students on a school field trip, you need to provide the following forms:

1. Sign the SECC Commitment form
2. Complete the Background Check Authorization form
3. Include \$19.00 for processing.
4. Complete the DMV record & insurance information form with copies of driver's license & insurance card.
5. Have a completed TB Assessment form from doctor on file.

If you have provided items # 1-3 in the past, you are cleared for 2 years. To see if your clearance is still valid, check with the office or your child's teacher. However, you

will still need complete items # 4-5 this year. If you are new to the school, or have not driven for a field trip, please make sure you turn these in before the upcoming field trip in September.

Even if you only plan on transporting your own child on field trips, you are still considered a chaperone and will have regular contact with students. Therefore, you will need to complete items #1-3 & #5. But only pay \$7.95 which does not include a background check on your driver's record.

All forms available at the office.

| Hot Lunch: | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| | NO SCHOOL | Bean & Cheese Burrito | Grilled Cheese | Vegetarian Tacos |





Students Bowl Back-to-School

After completing our first week back to school, we figured we should celebrate the new school year together. So, all students Tk-8 went bowling.

On Thursday, August 29 after working on usual morning routines, students headed to Fantasy Lanes at Fantasy Springs Casino Resort after lunch. Our school took up about 7 lanes with most classes taking 2-3 lanes each. A lot of laughter & cheers were heard up and down the lanes and students seemed to really enjoy themselves. The

afternoon consisted with 2 games with older kids breezing through them in a short matter of time while some of the younger ones got tuckered out only after one.

But overall, it was a fun day and a nice break from our school's official first week of school.

Thank you to all the parents who drove & supervised.



Labor Day Fun Facts

- The first celebrated U.S. Labor Day was September 5, 1882 in NYC.
- 10,000 workers marched from City Hall to meet their families for a picnic, concert, & speeches.
- In the 1800s, workers put in 12 hour, seven day work weeks. It was the height of the industrial revolution.
- In 1916, the 8 hour work day was established by the Adamson Act.
- While Labor Day is to tribute the American worker, many also use the day to celebrate the end of summer.

Bible Text of the

"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, 'The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him'"

Lamentations 3:22-24

