

Monticello Elementary School

NEWSLETTER



November 3, 2023

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Good Evening Monticello Families,

Wow, what a week!! We started the week with our annual Costume Parade. It was great to see so many families here to watch the parade. We finished the first trimester with an amazing rally put on by our ASB and the help of Dr. Bridges. The students had a great time and there was a lot of school spirit! Extreme Purple and Green Day might be one of my new favorite spirit days. Thank you to MJFPA for putting on a successful movie night, we are already looking forward to the next one. Have a great weekend, remember there is no school on Friday, November 10.

Monday, November 6th is a Minimum Day.

Thank you,

Mrs. Bunch



UPCOMING DATES:

November 3 - MJPFA
Movie Night, 5:30 - 8pm

November 3 - End of
Trimester 1

November 10 - Veterans
Day - No School

November 20-24 -
Thanksgiving Break - No
School

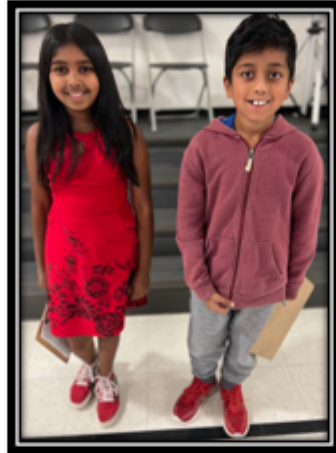
Every Monday: Minimum
Day!
1:30 PM Release - All
grades

Tuesday-Friday:
TK-3rd Gr. - 2pm release
4th Gr. - 3 pm release

If you have any pictures of your child from the Halloween parade and would like them in the yearbook, please email them to hmarchini@jsdtracy.com.



REMINDER: If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please email Michelle Zabaldo, Monticello's Attendance Clerk at mzabaldo@jsdtracy.com each day your student is absent.



CONGRATULATIONS to all that participated in the Spelling Bee this year! A special congratulations to Meha and Dhyan (above) for winning the Spelling Bee and moving on to the District level!



Siddartha, Mithra, Pranav, Sohan, Saanvi and Arjun



Congratulations to the following classes for
having perfect attendance!

The week of 10/23/2023

No classes had perfect attendance the week of
10/2! Let's see how we do the week of 10/30!





ATTENDANCE

in the early grades

Many of our youngest students miss 10 percent of the school year—about 18 days a year or just two days every month. Chronic absenteeism in kindergarten, and even preK, can predict lower test scores, poor attendance and retention in later grades, especially if the problem persists for more than a year. Do you know how many young children are chronically absent in your school or community?



Who Is Affected

Kindergarten and 1st grade classes often have absenteeism rates as high as those in high school. Many of these absences are excused, but they still add up to lost time in the classroom.

1 in 10 kids

In kindergarten and 1st grade are chronically absent. In some schools, it's as high as 1 in 4.¹



2 in 10
low-income kids
miss too much
school. They're also
more likely to suffer
academically.¹



2.5 in 10
homeless kids
are chronically
absent.²



4 in 10
transient kids
miss too much
school when
families move.²



¹ Chang, Hedy; Romero, Marielisse, *Present, Engaged and Accounted For: The Critical Importance of Addressing Chronic Absence in the Early Grades*, National Center for Children in Poverty: NY, NY, September 2008.

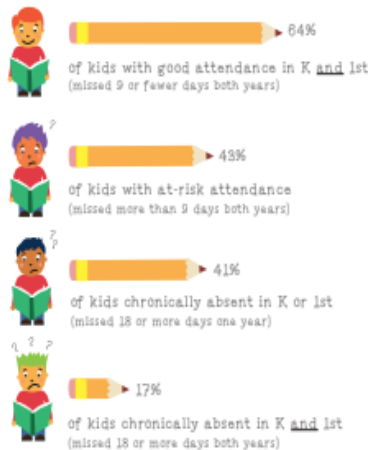
² Chronic Absence in Utah, Utah Education Policy Center at the University of Utah, 2012.

Why It Matters

If children don't show up for school regularly, they miss out on fundamental reading and math skills and the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into college and careers.

Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of 3rd grade.

Who Can Read on Grade Level After 3rd Grade?³



³ *Attendance in Early Elementary Grades: Association with Student Characteristics, School Readiness and Third Grade Outcomes*, Applied Survey Research, May 2011.

What We Can Do



Engage Families

Many parents and students don't realize how quickly early absences can add up to academic trouble. Community members and teachers can educate families and build a culture of attendance through early outreach, incentives and attention to data.



Fix Transportation

The lack of a reliable car, or simply missing the school bus, can mean some students don't make it to class. Schools, transit agencies and community partners can organize car pools, supply bus passes or find other ways to get kids to school.



Address Health Needs

Health concerns, particularly asthma and dental problems, are among the leading reasons students miss school in the early grades. Schools and medical professionals can work together to give children and families health care and advice.



Track the Right Data

Schools too often overlook chronic absence because they track average attendance or unexcused absences, not how many kids miss too many days for any reason. Attendance Works has free data-tracking tools.

These are a few steps that communities and schools can take. How do you think you can help?



ASISTENCIA

en los primeros grados

Muchos de nuestros estudiantes más pequeños faltan a la escuela el 10% del año escolar - como 18 días al año o sólo dos días al mes. La ausencia crónica en kinder e incluso en la pre escuela, puede predecir bajas calificaciones en exámenes, mala asistencia escolar y baja retención en los próximos años escolares, especialmente si el problema de ausencia persiste durante más de un año. ¿Sabe usted cuántos niños pequeños están ausentes crónicamente en su escuela y comunidad?



Quién es Afectado

Los estudiantes de kinder y 1er grado frecuentemente tienen niveles de ausencia tan altos como los de la preparatoria, (high school).

Muchas de estas faltas son justificadas, pero igual, se suman al tiempo perdido en clase.

1 de cada 10 niños

en kinder y 1er grado es crónicamente ausente. En algunas escuelas es tan alto como 1 en cada 4 niños.¹



2 de cada 10 niños de bajos ingresos

faltan demasiado. También es más probable que tengan problemas académicos.²



2.5 de cada 10 niños sin hogar

están ausentes crónicamente.³



4 de cada 10 niños migrantes

faltan demasiado cuando la familia se muda.³



¹ Chang, Wendy, Romero, Marijose, *Present, Engaged and Accounted For: The Critical Importance of Addressing Chronic Absence in the Early Grades*, National Center for Children in Poverty, NY: NY, September 2008.

² *Chronic Absence in Utah*, Utah Education Policy Center at the University of Utah, 2012.

Por Qué Importa

Si los niños no asisten regularmente, pierden habilidades fundamentales de lectura y matemáticas y la oportunidad de crear el hábito de buena asistencia, que los conduce a la universidad y una carrera.

Datos preliminares de un estudio en California encontró que los niños que fueron crónicamente ausentes en kinder y 1er grado tuvieron menos probabilidad de leer a nivel al final del 3er grado.

¿Quién puede leer a nivel después del 3er grado?



¹ *Attendance in Early Elementary Grades: Association with Student Characteristics, School Readiness and Third Grade Outcomes*, Applied Survey Research, May 2011.

Qué Podemos Hacer

Involucrar a las Familias

Muchos padres y estudiantes no saben cómo las ausencias en los primeros años pueden aumentar rápidamente los problemas académicos. Miembros comunitarios y maestros pueden educar a las familias, creando una cultura de asistencia escolar, dando información temprana, incentivos y atendiendo estadísticas.



Hacer Arreglos para Llegar a la Escuela

La falta de un carro o perder el bus escolar causan que algunos niños no vayan a clase. Las escuelas, agencias de transporte y miembros comunitarios pueden organizar viajes compartidos en carro, proveer pasajes para el bus u otras maneras para que lleguen a la escuela.



Atender las Necesidades de Salud

Problemas de salud infantil, particularmente el asma y los problemas dentales, son de las principales causas de ausentismo escolar durante los primeros años. Escuelas y médicos pueden trabajar juntos y proveer atención médica y recomendaciones a los niños y las familias.

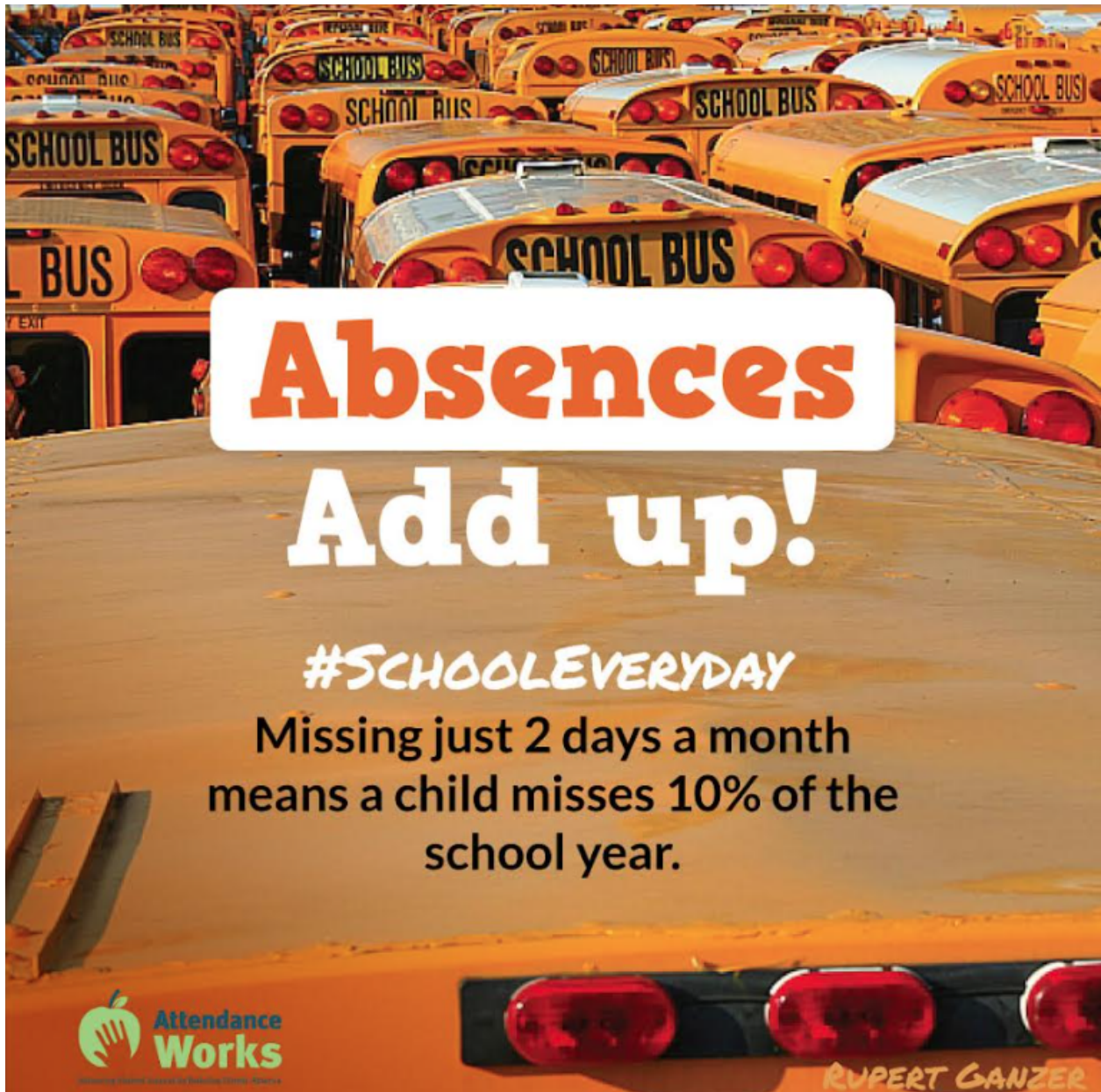


Monitorear los Datos Correctos

Con frecuencia las escuelas ignoran las ausencias crónicas ya que monitorean el promedio de asistencia o ausencias sin excusa, y no cuántos niños faltan muchos días por cualquier razón. Attendance Works tiene herramientas sin costo, para dar seguimiento a estos datos.




Estos son algunos pasos que las comunidades y escuelas pueden tomar. ¿Cómo puede ayudar usted?



Absences Add up!

#SCHOOLEVERYDAY
Missing just 2 days a month
means a child misses 10% of the
school year.

 **Attendance
Works**
Ensuring Student Success for Every Student Every Day

RUPERT GANZER



YOU CAN NOW ORDER SPIRIT WEAR THROUGH FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10TH!!!

2023-24 Spirit Wear is Available Taking Orders Now through 11/3/23!

In effort to lesson confusion and process orders more efficiently, everything will be done through the online store and completed within 2-4 business weeks from day order is submitted.

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or scan QR code.

Click "Monticello Store" top of page or scroll
down to "shop bwts."



You'll have a few options for how to receive your order. We recommend selecting "School Drop Off." Please include your students name, teacher, and grade within comments.

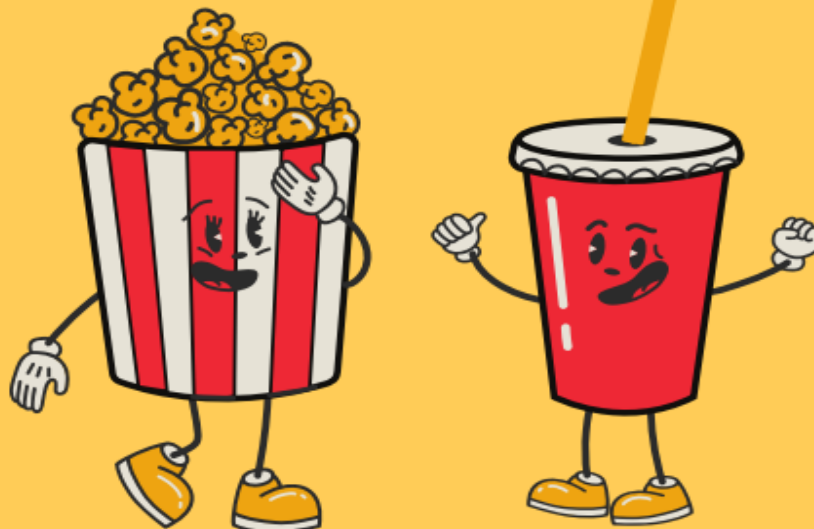
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Questions around sizing, please inquire through online storefront. For all other questions:
s.richardson82@icloud.com





MONTICELLO FAMILY **MOVIE NIGHT**



🎬 **NOVEMBER 3RD 5:30-8:00PM MOVIE STARTS AT 6PM**

🎬 **BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET AND ENJOY A MOVIE ON
THE BLACK TOP**

🎬 **ALL KIDS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**

🎬 **MJPFA WILL BE SELLING HOTDOGS, NACHOS, VEGGIE
BURGERS, POPCORN & CANDY**

🎬 **FREE ADMISSION**



MONTICELLO'S REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE (Tuesday-Friday)

Warning Bell	8:10 A.M.	All Grades
Instruction Begins	8:15 A.M.	All Grades
Recess	9:25 A.M. ~ 9:39 A.M.	Kinder (Kinder Yard)
Recess	9:40 A.M. ~ 9:54 A.M.	Kinder (Kinder Yard)
Recess	9:45 A.M. ~ 9:59 A.M.	1, 2, SDC (Main Yard)
Recess	10:05 A.M. ~ 10:19 A.M.	3, 4 (Main Yard)
Lunch	10:55 A.M. ~ 11:15 A.M.	Kinder
Lunch Recess	11:15 A.M. ~ 11:40 A.M.	Kinder (Big Yard)
Lunch	11:10 A.M. ~ 11:35 A.M.	1st Grade/SDC
Lunch Recess	11:35 A.M. ~ 11:55 A.M.	1st Grade/SDC
Lunch	11:20 A.M. ~ 11:45 A.M.	2nd Grade
Lunch Recess	11:45 A.M. ~ 12:05 A.M.	2nd Grade
Lunch	11:35 A.M. ~ 12:00 P.M.	3rd Grade
Lunch Recess	12:00 P.M. ~ 12:20 P.M.	3rd Grade
Lunch	12:00 P.M. ~ 12:25 P.M.	4th Grade
Lunch Recess	12:25 P.M. ~ 12:45 P.M.	4th Grade
Dismissal	2:00 P.M.	K ~ 3rd Grade
Dismissal	3:00 P.M.	4th Grade

MONTICELLO'S MINIMUM DAY SCHEDULE (Monday)

Warning Bell	8:10 A.M.	All Grades
Instruction Begins	8:15 A.M.	All Grades
Recess	9:25 A.M. ~ 9:39 A.M.	Kinder (Kinder Yard)
Recess	9:40 A.M. ~ 9:54 A.M.	Kinder (Kinder Yard)
Recess	9:45 A.M. ~ 9:59 A.M.	1, 2, SDC (Main Yard)
Recess	10:05 A.M. ~ 10:19 A.M.	3, 4 (Main Yard)
Lunch	10:55 A.M. ~ 11:15 A.M.	Kinder
Lunch Recess	11:15 A.M. ~ 11:40 A.M.	Kinder (Big Yard)
Lunch	11:10 A.M. ~ 11:35 A.M.	1st Grade/SDC
Lunch Recess	11:35 A.M. ~ 11:55 A.M.	1st Grade/SDC
Lunch	11:20 A.M. ~ 11:45 A.M.	2nd Grade
Lunch Recess	11:45 A.M. ~ 12:05 A.M.	2nd Grade
Lunch	11:45 A.M. ~ 12:05 P.M.	4th Grade
Lunch Recess	12:05 P.M. ~ 12:30 P.M.	4th Grade
Lunch	12:00 P.M. ~ 12:20 P.M.	3rd Grade
Lunch Recess	12:20 P.M. ~ 12:45 P.M.	3rd Grade
Dismissal	1:30 P.M.	All Grades



PBIS Parent/Family Survey

Please click on the link below if you would like to give us some feedback on how Monticello is implementing Positive Behavior Supports and Interventions.

<https://forms.gle/KhNTovrywzLsWPRY7>







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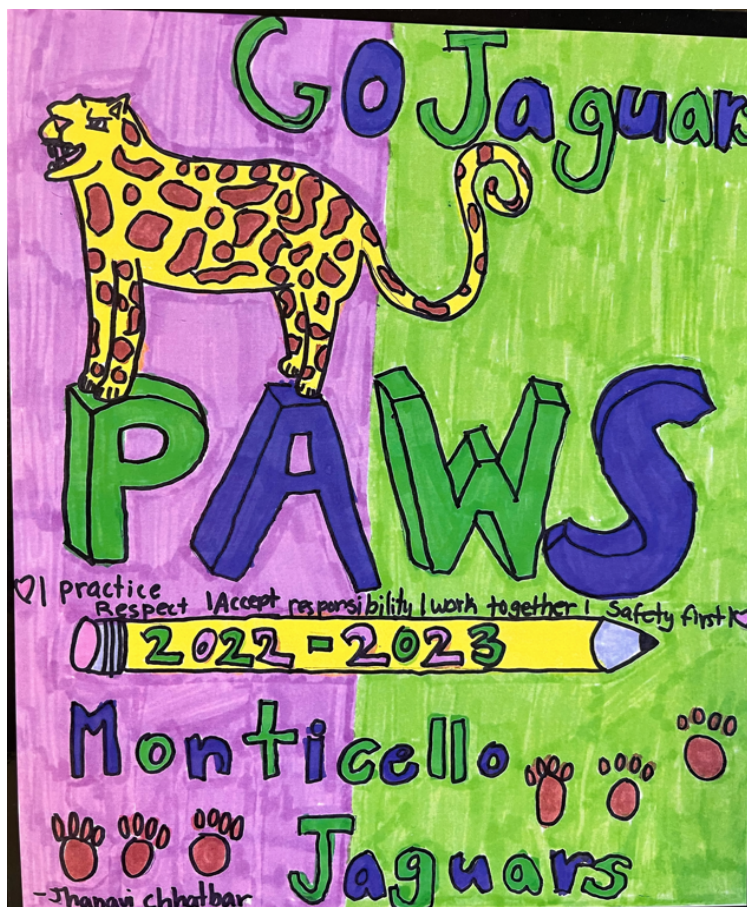
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Attention Monticello Families,
We have copies of last year's yearbook
for sale in the office for \$20 each. First
come, first serve. CASH ONLY!





November

2023








Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Chicken Smackers Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	2 Mini Cheese burgers Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	3 Dominos Cheese Pizza Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables
6 Bean & Green Chili Burrito Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	7 Mozzarella Bread Sticks Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	8 Chicken Smackers Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	9 French Bread Pizza Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	10 
13 Pancake & Turkey Sausage on a Stick Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	14 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	15 Chicken Smackers Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	16 Mini Cheese burgers Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	17 Dominos Cheese Pizza Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables
20 	 Thanksgiving Break No School			23 
27 Bean & Green Chili Burrito Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	28 Mozzarella Bread Sticks Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	29 Chicken Smackers Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	30 Orange Chicken and Rice Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich Assorted Fruit & Vegetables	Fun Fact: Avocado's are actually a fruit.

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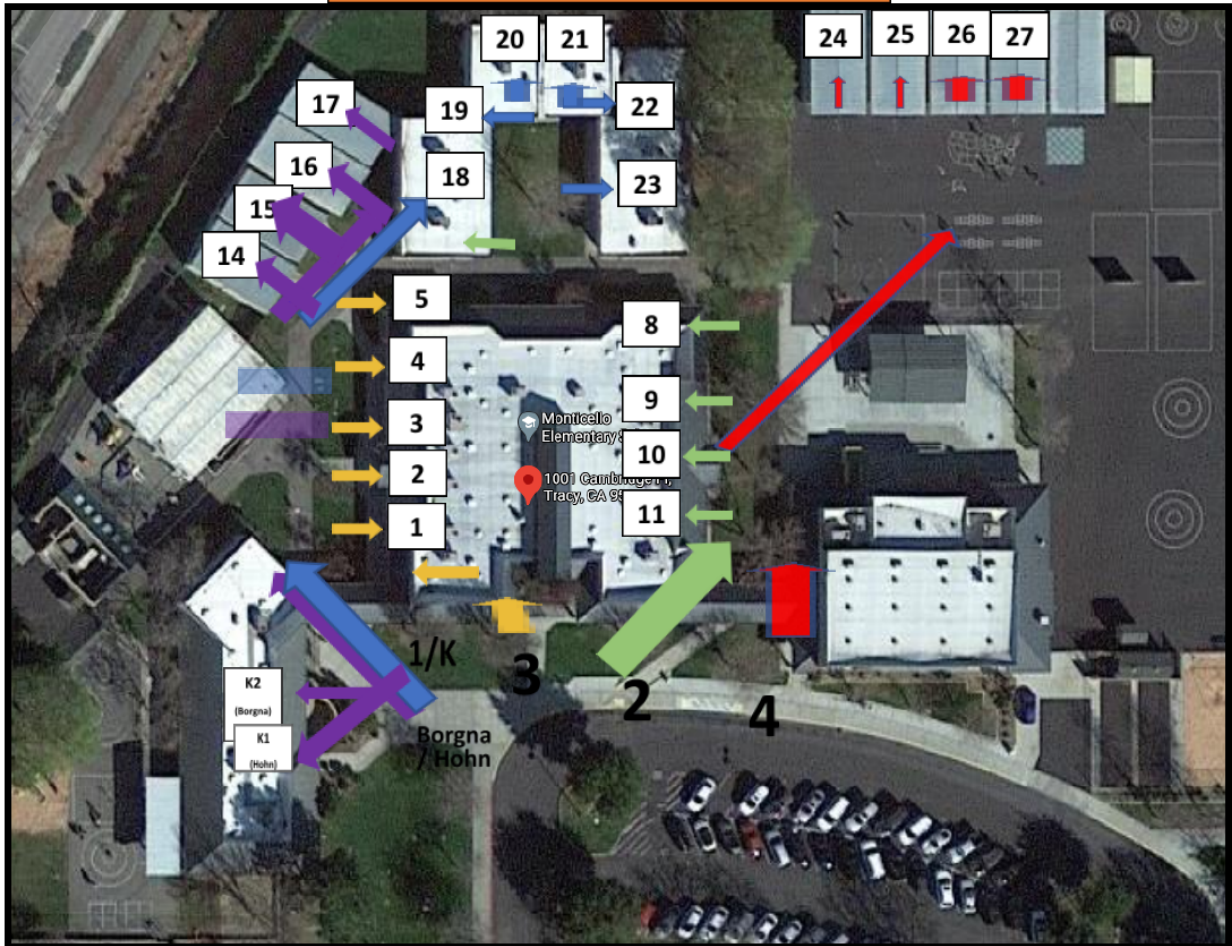


2023-2024 ASB Activity Calendar

November 2021							December 2021						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4		5				1	2		3
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9
													10
	14	15	16	17	18		19	12	13	14	15	16	
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	19	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30				25	26	27	28	29	30
													31
NOVEMBER NOTABLES							DECEMBER NOTABLES						
11/19 - Stuffed Animal Day							Brighter Christmas						
							12/3 - World Culture Day						
							12/17 - Pajama Day						



STUDENT DROP-OFF INFORMATION



Please see the information below
That corresponds with this map.



**JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT NO
DOGS ARE ALLOWED ON CAMPUS.**





**Jefferson School District
2023 - 2024 Instructional Calendar**

JULY				
M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

OCTOBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
2*	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16*	17	18	19	20
23*	24	25	26	27
30*	31			

JANUARY				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8*	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	13
22*	23	24	25	26
29*	30	31		

APRIL				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8*	9	10	11	12
15*	16	17	18	13
22*	23	24	25	26
29*	30			

AUGUST				
M	T	W	TH	F
7*	8	9	10	11
14*	15	16	17	18
21*	22	23	24	25
28*	29	30	31	

NOVEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6*	7	8	9	10
13*	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27*	28	29	30	

FEBRUARY				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5*	6	7	8	9
12*	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26*	27	28	29	

MAY				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6*	7	8	9	10
13*	14	15	16	17
20*	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30*	31

SEPTEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
4	5	6	7	8
11*	12	13	14	15
18*	19	20	21	22
25	26**	27**	28**	29**

DECEMBER				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4*	5	6	7	8
11*	12	13	14	15
18	19	20*	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

MARCH				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4*	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18*	19	20	21	22
25*	26	27	28	29

JUNE				
M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

**Total Instructional
School Days**

August	19
September	19
October	17
November	16
December	14
January	19
February	19
March	15
April	21
May	21
Total	180

Holidays		
Students First Day		
Students Last Day		
Minimum Day (1:30 pm Release)	*	
Minimum Day (2 pm Release)	**	
Teachers First/Last Work Day		Full day
Teachers First/Last Work Day		Half day
End of First/Second Trimester		
P/T Conference (no students)		
Professional Development Day (MOU) (no students)		





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