

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

We are rapidly approaching the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Right now, the focus of your student should be on a strong finish <u>and you can help</u>. Your attention and involvement in this effort will reinforce the importance you place on your child's education. <u>Please take the following steps to support your student during this critical time.</u>

- 1. Reinforce positive and successful school habits. Attention in class, homework, test preparation, and attendance are key factors.
- 2. Access and review your student's progress, attendance, and test schedules on the Aeries Parent Portal.
- **3. Help your student to create a plan** to improve current weaknesses and prepare to finish the school year strong!.
- 4. Re-establish your student's home-study routine.
- **5. Help your student to stay focused.** 'Coasting' is a natural, but deadly tendency.

Your involvement is a tremendous positive factor for a strong finish. Your interest, willingness, and dedication to helping your child succeed provides an unmistakable message. Your child will thank you for it - someday.

Sincerely,

David Apodaca

2018 - 2019 Administration

David Apodaca, Principal

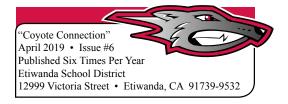
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Students of the Month



February – Compassion

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Congratulations Coyote News Network

Earlier this year, the past and current CNN crew were honored at the County Board of Education for their award winning SBAC video. It was exciting for all and we are proud of the dedication and hard work of our CNN crew.

VIP Dance

If you didn't know, there was paaaarty at Day Creek!. Over 500 people packed into our gym to dance the night away at our first annual VIP (Sweetheart /Father-Daughter/ Mother-Son) Dance. Our PTSO did an amazing job decorating the gym and creating an atmosphere of fun. It was a great community event that was the "talk of the town". The comment that we kept hearing over and over again was "thank you!" Parents, were so thankful for being able to spend one on one time with their child. There was slow dancing, fast dancing, and a whole lot of flossing. Just another reminder of how great our community is.

iReady Growth!!

- 69% of ELA students made their Typical growth.
- 42% of ELA students made their Stretch growth.
- This translated to about 92 dozen donuts and 600 Kona Ice treats for our students! Congratulations to all of our teachers, parents and students for working so hard! We are so proud of our Day Creek Coyotes!

- 73% of math students made their Typical growth.
- 40% of math students made their Stretch growth.





Minimum Day ALL SITES Minimum Day Elementary Ion Student Day-No School

Holiday - No School Student Recess-No School District Office Closed

The schedule of meetings of the Board of Trustees is available at www.etiwanda.org. Meeting agendas are posted at the district office and www.etiwanda.org 72 hours prior to the meeting.

1st Trimester 2nd Trimester 3rd Trimester

Total Days

63 180

Minimum days revised: 9/16/19, 9/30/19, 2/3/20, 2/24/20

Board Approved: November 15, 2018 Board Approved Revision: February 28, 2019

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Student Calendar 2019 - 2020

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- 27 Non Student Day

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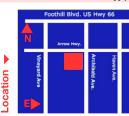
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Here are few ways to navigate through some of the middle school obstacles and come out a winner in the end. Let's start with the basics:

Supplies and Organization

Your child will be a given a planner calendar each year. Have him/ her learn how to use it; it will keep everyone up to speed on homework and long-term assignments.

Stick to the list of materials each teacher recommends. Complicated notebooks and folder systems tend to fall apart as they move from class to class. A simple color coded system – red spiral notebook for math, blue for social studies, green for science, and yellow for language arts and some matching folders can keep homework and classwork organized at home and in school.

Clean out your child's backpack once a week, together. Middle school is the time when they begin to "forget" those permission slips or teacher notes with increasing frequency.

Structure

There are seven periods in our school day and as students advance through the grade levels, they move more frequently. Each student has four core classes (language arts, social studies, math, and science), a PACK class, a PE period, and exploratory class. PACK is a daily class period developed to meet the needs of students in language arts and math. Assessments and classroom grades are used to group and re-group students throughout the year into academic target areas for PACK classes.

The busy schedule may be intimidating to new students, but they catch on quickly and begin to enjoy the physical breaks between classes. Remind your child to use the breaks between classes to munch on a snack or quickly use the restroom, but to

Middle School Success

avoid socializing which may result in a tardy to class.

School to Home Connection

Be sure to attend Back to School Night to get a feel for the school campus in general, meet your child's teachers, hear the outline for the class expectations, and more importantly, learn how to contact them about assignments and student progress.

Keep a file of materials handed out at Back to School Night, e.g. procedures for absent or late work in math class or trimester reading requirements for language arts, etc. Hand-outs often include important contact and procedural information that you can refer to throughout the year.

Explore the teachers' websites to see homework assignments, long term assignments and valuable resources and links. Be sure to bookmark the teacher sites for easy future access for you and your child. Make an email distribution list of your child's teachers. That way when your child is ill or you want to confirm that your child is staying after school for additional help, you have all the teachers' emails in one spot.

Explore the school website to see the resources and links available to you and your child. Daily announcements, community events, online textbooks and subject area support, calendar and bell schedule, and extra-curricular activities are just some of the ways you can stay in the loop.

Homework: Four important steps

- Know the homework. Be sure your child understands what he/she needs to do and writes it down. Ask your child to use the planner and then reinforce the habit by regularly checking.
- Get the homework. Putting the handout in the folder and in the backpack can be a challenge. Your child must

- learn to check that they have the handout and spend a valuable minute getting papers in the right place.
- 3. Do the homework. In middle school, this can be the toughest part. Our school library is open until 4:00 pm and sometimes staying another hour after school, while still in the "study zone," helps students complete a chunk of their homework before heading home. Be sure to use that valuable time before dinner or sports practice to complete a portion of homework, so that it will not seem overwhelming later in the night.
- 4. Turn-in the homework. It is always heartbreaking when students do the homework, get it in the folder, and then forget to turn it in the next day. Get your child in the habit of knowing what needs to be turned in and in what class. Sometimes a separate colored homework folder reserved for assignments they need to turn in the next day is helpful.

Social Situation

Elementary friendships often change in middle school. Talk to your child about ways to make new friends in their classes. Classroom buddies can share phone numbers in case someone needs help with homework or just has a question. Encourage your child to invite new friends over to work on a project or just eat pizza and watch movies. Socializing with a large group of friends will reduce the chances of hurt feelings when a "best friend" starts hanging out with a new group more often.

Final Note

Be good to yourself. Middle School is difficult for everyone, kids and parents alike. There's no right way to do it. You may find it is not as difficult the second time around....you may even enjoy Middle School Madness.





Coyote Cars, Crosswalks and Cautions

We encourage parents to think about car pool options and to make full use of the drop-off and pick-up locations surrounding the school. Please follow the school traffic guidelines in order to avoid traffic issues.

Students may be dropped-off and picked-up along the entire length of Coyote Drive, the street that borders Day Creek Intermediate to the north.

Cross-walks have been added to the north and east parking lot drive-ways to assist students in entering/exiting the campus from Coyote Drive. Please do not ask students to cross through the staff parking lot – there is no supervision in the parking lot for students or drivers.

Duncaster Street has limited curbside parking and quickly becomes congested. The bus turn-around is reserved for busses only and not for student pick-up or drop-off. Staff members on duty will not allow drivers to enter the area to make a U-turn.

If you must exit your vehicle to assist your child with large bulky items, band instruments, or class projects, please park in the parking spaces and walk your child to the black entrance gates. Our traffic flows quickly along the drop-off curb and parked cars slow it down.

Please do not drop-off or pick-up students in front of the office. Pull all the way to the east end of the parking lot by the gym for parking lot drop off if you choose not to drop your student off on the designated surrounding street areas. Students are not allowed to enter through the office in the morning without an adult or appointment.

While we understand that everyone is in a hurry in the morning, please be patient with our staff members as they assist our parents in following school traffic guidelines. And remember, our gates open and we have campus supervision beginning at 7:15 for your convenience.

Important Reminders for Our Coyotes...

Cell Phones At School

While we understand the importance of cell phones, our students are not allowed to use cell phones during the school day. Cell phones should be turned off during the day and must remain out of sight while on school property. Students who use their cell phone during the day will be subject to progressive disciplinary action which may include requiring parents to meet with an administrator to pick-up student cell phones. Please do not encourage your child to use their cell phone during the day by texting or calling them with information. Students may use classroom and office phones throughout the day for urgent communication needs. Please remember, Day Creek is not responsible for cell phones brought to school.

Doctor Or Dentist Appointments

Whenever possible, please schedule appointments before or after school to preserve valuable academic time. If your child has an appointment during the school day, please have them bring a note to the office in the morning stating the time of the appointment and when you wish to pick-up your child. This will assist us in having your child ready and waiting for you in the office. Please be ready to sign your child out with a driver's license or other form of identification. Please remember to bring the appointment card from the doctor/dentist office to verify your early pick-up or late drop-off.

Student Window

In an effort to minimize disruptions in the classrooms, the school office will not call students to the office to pick-up forgotten items. Students have been instructed to check the Student Window if they have forgotten items at home, including PE clothes, lunches, band instruments, class projects, house keys, homework etc. We encourage students to be prepared for school and that may mean packing important items in their bags the night before, storing important papers for signatures or payment in a consistent location, or using a daily check-off sheet before leaving for school. Please help us preserve quality educational time and support your child with growing responsibility.

Tardy To School

Students must be in the black entrance gates by the late bell at 8:00 a.m. or they will be marked tardy. The black gates will close promptly at the 8:00 bell. If the gates are closed students must enter through the office to pick-up tardy slips that will admit them to class. Students who have 6 or more tardies in six weeks will be restricted from student activities, including sports, assemblies, dances, and afterschool programs.









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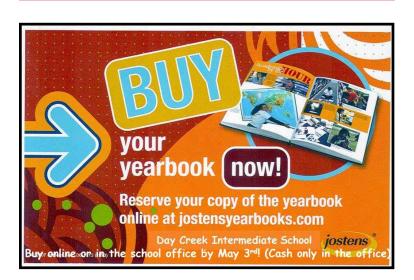
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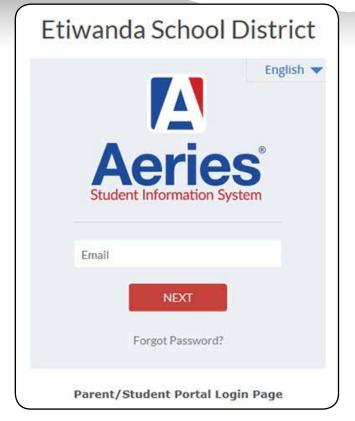


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SEPTEMBER 2018

The Zombies The Como La Flor Band Tribute to Selena .. 16th

OCTOBER 2018

MainStreet Theatre Company's

School House Rock Live!...... 6th - 28th

NOVEMBER 2018

Rancho Cucamonga Community Theatre's Much Ado About Nothing......3rd - 4th Brian McKnight Jane Lynch A Swingin' Little Christmas...17th

DECEMBER 2018 Inland Pacific Ballet's

.....1st - 9th The Nutcracker..... The Blind Boys of Alabama:

JANUARY 2019

Capitol Steps ... Andrew Lloyd Webber at the Pops 12th Don McLean Black Violin..... Golden Dragon Acrobats27th

FEBRUARY 2019

Broadway at the Garden's

The Hunchback of Notre Dame...15th - 24th

MARCH 2019

Lula Washington Dance Theatre's The Snowy Day. 9th Fritz Coleman's Defying Gravity...... 23rd

APRIL 2019

Rita Rudner 5th Inland Pacific Ballet's

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