



RED TAILED HAWKS

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Principal Wethers' Message:



Last Principal's Note May/June 2023

We are officially in the last five weeks of school. Each year seems to go so quickly. It has really been a wonderful year for our students. Our new Extended Learning Opportunity Programs flourished. We had everything from Guitar class to Flag Football. The great news is it will continue next year. The field trips, dances, Bookfairs, and our Bubble Fun Run were once again amazing thanks to our wonderful volunteers and PTA.

This is also the time of year when we plan for teaching positions based on our student numbers. We really need to hear from our parents to get an idea of how many of our students could be possibly moving or will opt to choose the different choices made available through Learn@ Home. Your help will ensure we plan accurately. We look forward to starting fresh in the new school year. If you have TK or Kinder, make sure to register early online. The District Support Center is now the centralized registration point for all new students.

Please watch for communications from your child's teacher. There are many activities planned across all grade levels. We appreciate your support as we continue to encourage our students to have their best behavior through the end of the school year. This is the hardest time of year for our 5th grade students with behaviors. Respecting adults has been the toughest throughout the year. Parents, please make sure to be aware of the last month expectations for our fifth grade students. Note will be coming home from our 5th grade teachers.

Our Rail Ranch Sings and Senior Walk is back, and everyone is looking forward to our end of the year gathering.

This is my final Principal Note. Thank you to all of the staff, students, and parents, that made my last twelve years of a thirty-eight-year career, the absolute best.

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of the Rail Ranch Family,

Mrs. Wethers

5TH GR. PROMOTION

Wed, May 31st
9:00 am

Amphitheater
(Student area only)

Parents please sit
along the back tables
or bring chairs.



RAIL RANCH SINGS! Thurs, June 1 9:00 AM

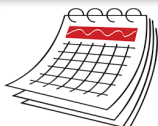


HOPE TO SEE YOU
THERE!

(please see
attached flyer for
details)

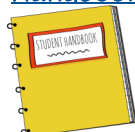
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NO SCHOOL

MONDAY, 5/29

Hawk Happenings

STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK! MAY 1-5

5/3- Wednesday- **EARLY OUT DAY**

5/10- Wednesday- **EARLY OUT DAY**

5/12-
FMS- Teacher & Support Person of the Year Ceremony!
Lion King Jr. Performances
LAST DAY TO TURN IN LIBRARY BOOKS

5/16-
8:15 1st Gr. SOM (Student of the Month)
9:00 2nd Gr. SOM
7:00 pm PTA Executive Meeting

5/17- Wednesday- **EARLY OUT DAY**
8:15 3rd Gr SOM
9:00 4th Gr SOM
9:45 5th Gr SOM

5/19- FMS- PTA HSA Awards Ceremony

5/24- Wednesday- **EARLY OUT DAY**

5/25- 5th grade Shivela Pep Rally field trip

5/30- **SENIOR GRAD WALK @ 8:30 am**
(former Hawks who are graduating from high school are invited!)

5/31- **NO EARLY OUT**
5th Grade Promotion @ 9:00 am (Amphitheater)
5th Grade Promotion Dance 1:45 - 3:00 pm

6/1- **RAIL RANCH SINGS!!** @ 9:00 am

6/2- **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! EARLY OUT DAY**

Important Reminders

Drop-off

7:50- 8:10 am for grades 1-5.
Morning K begins promptly at 8:15 am,
Afternoon K begins promptly at 10:55am.

Pick-up

2:30 pm for grades 1-5.
Afternoon K is 2:30 pm.
Please see the student handbook for Minimum and Early Release (Wednesday) Day schedules.
No staff is available to watch students before 7:50 am and after 2:45 pm.

Students must be picked up before 2:45 pm. (Please see the student handbook for Minimum and Early Release (Wednesdays) Day schedules.) Early drop off or late pick-up may result in the police being called so that the student is safe. Supervision is not available for siblings of students in before and after-school programs.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FRI, 6/2

EARLY OUT DAY!

Hawaiian Day

Our tradition is to dress in Hawaiian attire
as we say Aloha to the 22-23 school year



RAIL RANCH ELEMENTARY

Staff Appreciation

WEEK

MAY 1ST-MAY 5TH

Monday

Make a card or picture for your favorite staff member

Tuesday

Wear a staff member's favorite color

Wednesday

Bring a flower or sweet treat for a staff member

Thursday

Give a staff member a compliment

Friday

Surprise a staff member with an office supply



RAIL RANCH SINGS

Thurs, June 1
9 am

Rail Ranch Sings is a fun event where each grade level performs. The Grand Finale and always a student favorite, is the Staff Dance

Parents are welcome!

A few things:

Amphitheater seating is for students only
Parent seating is behind the amphitheater
Feel free to bring chairs
Enjoy the show!





RAIL RANCH ELEMENTARY



5TH GRADE PROMOTION



May 31, 2023 9 am



Amphitheater seating is for students only.
Parents may sit at the back tables or bring chairs.



Let Your Child's Learning Take Flight!

Early Learning in the Murrieta Valley Unified School District

MVUSD welcomes all children to our Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, and Kindergarten programs and will help them take flight at every stage. Here are some things to consider when launching your child's educational journey.

Preschool

Age:

18 mo. - 3 yrs. old
and 4 year olds
with DOB 6/3/19
and later.

Hours:

Part-Day AM: 8-11am
Part-Day PM: 12-3pm
Extended Day:
7am-5:30pm

Fees: Fee-based sliding scale or
free for qualifying families

In Preschool I will...

- ...explore letters, numbers and symbols
- ...explore pre-math and science concepts
- ...be curious and participate in hands-on investigative play
- ...explore body awareness and movements through sensory play
- ...strengthen hand muscles through playdough, coloring, lacing, and cutting
- ...participate in cooperative play
- ...explore friendships and sharing

TK

Age:

4 DOB
9/2/18-6/2/19

Half Day:

- Free
- AM/PM Sessions
- Breakfast or lunch

Extended Day Option:

- Fee-based or free for qualifying families
- Early learning enrichment program through the end of the school day
- Before/after school care also available

In TK I will...

ACADEMIC

- ...learn my letters and sounds
- ...develop math concepts like sorting and patterning
- ...learn to count and recognize numbers through play

PHYSICAL

- ...develop my motor skills
- ...build my core strength through play (catch, run, jump)
- ...cut, write, and draw to develop my hand strength

SOCIAL

- ...develop friendships
- ...learn to deal with emotions appropriately
- ...learn how to speak confidently in full sentences

Kindergarten

Age:

5 DOB
9/2/17-9/1/18

Half Day:

- Free
- AM/PM Sessions
- Breakfast or lunch

Extended Day Option:

- Fee-based or free for qualifying families
- Enrichment activities through the end of the school day
- Before/after school care also available

In Kindergarten I will...

ACADEMIC

- ...learn to read words and sentences
- ...learn to write words and sentences
- ...learn to add and subtract numbers up to 10

PHYSICAL

- ...develop my pencil grasp for writing
- ...establish left to right dominance
- ...learn to run, skip, pedal a trike, and toss and catch a ball

SOCIAL

- ...learn how to express feelings to friends and teachers
- ...understand how to follow directions
- ...collaborate with my classmates

For more info or to register for MVUSD's early learning programs:

murrieta.k12.ca.us

Preschool, Transitional Kindergarten, & Kindergarten

FAQs

What is MVUSD's Preschool program?

MVUSD's Preschool is a comprehensive early childhood developmental program for children ages 18 months to 4 year olds with DOB 6/3/19 and later. The district's holistic approach focuses on meeting the needs of the whole child while supporting families in this developmental stage. Preschool learners will explore and learn through investigation and meaningful play while engaging in age-appropriate hands-on activities led by child development professionals.

What are the Preschool hours?

Full day Preschool is open from 7am to 5:30pm. Part-day Preschool has two sessions. The am session is 8am to 11am; the pm session is from 12pm to 3pm.

What is the cost for Preschool?

There are two options based on family income eligibility: free or sliding scale. Income guidelines are listed on the MVUSD website earlylearning.mvUSD.org.

What are the locations of the Preschools?

All MVUSD elementary school sites based on enrollment.

What is MVUSD's Transitional Kindergarten (TK) program?

TK is a grade level that bridges Preschool and Kindergarten. It is taught by a credentialed teacher with early childhood development expertise. TK is the first year of a two-year Kindergarten program focused on activities and lessons geared towards developing the physical, social, and academic skills needed to become independent, self-confident learners.

Who is eligible for MVUSD's TK program?

Children who turn age 4 by June 2, 2023, and were born between 9/2/18-6/2/19 are eligible for TK in the 2023-24 school year. The following school year, they will automatically transition to Kindergarten.

What is the TK and Kindergarten schedule?

Both TK and Kindergarten are part-day, three-hour programs and follow an am or pm schedule.

What is the cost for TK and Kindergarten?

TK and K are free. There is no cost to enroll in am or pm class.

What are the locations of the TK and Kindergarten programs?

All MVUSD elementary school sites. Space is limited and depending on time of enrollment, the school may be impacted.

Who is eligible for MVUSD's Kindergarten program?

Children with a DOB between 9/2/17 through 9/1/2018 are eligible for Kindergarten.

What is the extended day option for TK and Kindergarten?

We are offering a fee-based (free for qualifying families) extended day option that provides age appropriate enrichment activities through the end of the school day. Note: This is separate from SEED, our before and after school program.

Is there a before or after school program for TK and Kindergarten students?

Yes! MVUSD proudly offers wrap around sessions, known as SEED, to provide a full-day of school for our early learners. However, space is limited. For more information please visit our district website.

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