PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Bayside STEM Students and Families,

Today, as a follow up to the intruder incident at Hillsdale High School on Monday, we held safety assemblies first thing in the morning. We told the students that there are safety plans at every school to protect students and staff in case of an emergency. Each year, we run through monthly earthquake and fire drills. On a quarterly basis, we also conduct lockdowns. Any student who has attended schools in the SMFC system has practiced such drills. In fact, just last week we held our first earthquake and fire drill. I am happy to report that students do a great job of walking to the back field and waiting quietly until the buildings are checked. In other words, this practice is helpful and students and staff are able to respond in an emergency. Our major goal in today’s assembly was to reassure students that we do have safety procedures in place, that it is their responsibility to follow safety procedures as directed by their teachers, and that they will be protected by following such plans. However, I also let students know that they could come to the office if they feel worried or want to process any of the details they heard about from the high school. I hope that calling these assemblies helps students know that our primary goal is to make sure they are safe so that they can be successful at school. Parents wanting to discuss this further are welcome to email me or call the office.

As we approach the end of August, it is time for Back-to-School Night which begins in the theatre at 6 p.m. This is a great time to meet the STEM staff, your child’s teachers, and the PTSA. We hope that you will attend and support your child’s progress by being an active member of the school community. After the opening introductions, parents will ‘run through’ the seven period day of their student. Students will be filling out their schedule for you and will give it to you on Wednesday after school. Remember that the evening provides parents the opportunity to meet the teachers and learn about the general classroom expectations and an overview of the standards for the year. Individual parent conferences will be held in September and sign up sheets will be available at each classroom during Back To School Night. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Jeanne Elliott

To log onto School Loop, enter baysidestem.com and your child’s password. The password is his/her ID number. If you do not have a copy of the number, call the office.

UPCOMING DATES

Aug. 27 Back-to-School Night 6:00-7:30 pm
28 Super Minimum Day Dismissal 12:35 pm

Sep. 2 GATE Meeting in Staff Room 7:30 am
3 Parent Conferences 1:50 to 3:00 pm
7 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm
8 Labor Day Holiday
9 Parent Conferences 1:50 to 3:00 pm
10 Minimum Day Dismissal 1:38 pm
9 Parent Conferences 1:50 to 3:00 pm
10 Parent Conferences 6:00 to 7:30 pm
11 Super Minimum Day Dismissal 12:35 pm
12 Trimester I Progress Reports mailed
14 School Site Council Meeting 3:00 pm
17 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Oct. 1 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm
2 Professional Development Day – No School
7 GATE Meeting in Staff Room 7:30 am
12 Intercession Begins
15 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Nov. 2 Students Return to School
5 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm
11 Veterans’ Day Holiday
13 Trimester I Ends
18 ELAC Meeting in Staff Room 7:30 am
19 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm
20 Trimester I Report Cards Mailed
26 Thanksgiving Day Holiday
27 Thanksgiving Day Holiday

Dec. 1 Outdoor Education Students Leave
2 GATE Meeting in Staff Room 7:30 am
4 Outdoor Education Students Return
7 School Site Council Meeting 3:00 pm
10 School Board Meeting 7:00 pm
17 Winter Concert 6:00 pm
18 Super Minimum Day Dismissal 12:35 pm
21 Winter Break Begins

Back-to-School Night
Thursday, August 27th
Parents Meet in Theatre at 6:00 pm

Super Minimum Day Dismissal at 12:35 pm
On Friday, August 28th