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THE GREENGATE GAZETTE

Greengate School's Community Newsletter

SAVE THE DATE

October 24-28
Spirit Week

October 26
Harvest Festival

November 10 - 11 No School

November 14 - 18 Conference Week

November 21 - 25 Thanksgiving Break

A Note From the Principal

LISA YOUNG

I hope you and your family had a restful, enjoyable, and cool Labor Day weekend. Interested in having a greater role at Greengate? We are looking for parent or guardian representation on our Greengate Safety Committee and the Harvest Festival Planning Committee. Please contact me if interested in learning more.

A Note From the Director

MARTY REMMERS

And we are off! The new school year has started and we are off and running! We are so excited to have our students back on campus! Our staff is working hard to provide a valuable learning experience for all of our students at Greengate and all of our YCOE programs. Our first Yolo County Community Advisory Committee meeting will be held on 9/12/22 from 7 pm-8:30 pm. The meeting will be held at the Yolo County Office of Education, 1280 Santa Anita Court, Suite 120, Woodland, CA 95776 in the Davis Conference Room. This is a great opportunity for parents/guardians to get involved in the education of our students here at Greengate and across the county. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions/concerns or comments at 530-668-3789.



COVID-19 Updates

Yolo County has dropped to a Medium Community Level. Indoor masking is still strongly recommended. Staff and students continue to be required to stay home if they display any cold or COVID symptoms. If a student begins to display symptoms at school, they will need to be picked up. Parents will be notified via letter sent home in backpacks if their classroom has a potential COVID-19 exposure. A new booster designed for the Omicron variant is now available.

Please keep your student at home if they have a:

- ☐ Temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher
- ☐ Cough
- \square Runny nose or congestion
- ☐ Chills or uncontrollable body shaking with chills
- □ Fatigue
- \square Headache, muscle aches,
- or body aches
- ☐ Nausea or vomiting
- □ Diarrhea
- ☐ Sore throat

Greengate Core Values

WE T.E.A.C.H

Teamwork
Empowering students
and their families
Age appropriate
opportunities
Communication is
respectful and positive
High Individualized
expectations



This first week of September will be reaching excessive temperatures. To keep students safe, we will limit time outside after 10:30, keep students inside until buses or parents arrive for pick up, and water will be available and provided throughout the school day. Community members, please feel free to send water bottles if your student takes water by mouth. Our school nurse and our educational professionals will keep an extra eye on our most vulnerable students.

Program Highlight: Preschool - 2nd Grade Multiple Disabilities

Each month we will highlight a different program at Greengate School. Our preschool to 2nd grade class serves our youngest students at Greengate. When the weather is nice, they start their day in the George Hinkle Musical Garden to learn about cause and effect and practice hand eye coordination. During Circle Time, students sing, dance, and work on the calendar, weather, and days of the week. Students demonstrate and practice their communication skills through verbal communication, gestures, signing, and Augmented and Alternative Communication devices.



Our students work on their fine motor skills through art and other table top activities. Improving gross motor skills is a significant focus for this classroom, and they use a variety of equipment like supportive seating, standers, and gait trainers to give students more access and independence. And they have some fun!

