

# denwood A California Distinguished School

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## From the Principal

Dear Ardenwood Families,

Congratulations to our Girls and Boys Basketball teams for starting their 2019 season. You can view the dates and locations of our games on our school calendar and we hope to see you there rooting for your fellow Dragons. We wish Atharva from Room 32 and Arushi from Room 28 the best of luck as both students will be representing Ardenwood at the district level Spelling Bee on January 29th. We are excited to announce that Alex from Room 22 had his original composition titled "Song of the World" selected as a winner of the Young Composers Contest. Alex will have his music professionally played by the Fremont Orchestra at a special performance later this year at Ohlone College.

In the morning, you undoubtedly have seen our teachers and wonderful PTA volunteers helping keep students safe by acting as crossing guards and parking lot monitors. Please do not drop your student off in the middle of the road, overtake vehicles waiting for students to cross the street, or park your car in a crosswalk. These safety reminders are especially important when it is raining, and it is suggested to allow for extra time during drop off and pick up during rainy weather. Please drive slowly when students are near, and follow the instructions of staff and PTA volunteers who are there to protect students, drivers and their vehicles. If you would like to help our students arrive safely to school, consider volunteering as a crossing guard and sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054ea8ad22a2fb6-crossing.

As a reminder when dropping off your student, please make sure they know where to go in the morning (MPR on rainy days, playground designated area on non-rainy days, and to the office for a tardy pass if they are late to arrive).

With Regards,



Elie Wasser Leanna Sutton **Assistant Principal Principal** 

## Registration for New TK and Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 School Year

Priority enrollment for new TK and Kindergarten students for the next school year will begin January 14, 2019 and run through February 22, 2019. For families that missed the sibling priority period time frame, you may enroll your new TK or Kindergartener with other new families beginning 1/14/19 - 2/22/19. Please see the Fremont Unified School District web site (www.fremont.k12.ca.us), under Enrollment, for more information and instructions.

All other TK-6<sup>th</sup> grade enrollments will begin April 1, 2019 and will be ongoing. Again, please see the Fremont Unified School District web site (www.fremont.k12.ca.us) under Enrollment, for more information and instructions.

## At What Age May My Child Start Kindergarten? Is My Child Eligible For TK?

To be eligible for Kindergarten for the Fall 2019-2020 School Year, your child's birth date must fall between these dates: 09/02/13 - 09/01/14. Your child must be five years old by September 1, 2019.

To be eligible for TK (Transitional Kindergarten) your child must be turning 5 years old in 2019 and their birthday must be between these dates: 09/02/14 - 12/02/14. Students born after 12/02/14 are not eligible for TK and may attend Kindergarten the next school year beginning 2020-2021.

Please continue to check the Fremont Unified School District website and the Student Support Services webpage **regularly** for updates regarding enrollment for next year.

## GATE testing for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will occur between February 4 − February 15, 2019.

#### 6th Grade Parent News

#### \*\*\* Tdap Immunization Requirement for 7th Grade \*\*\*

Students will not be allowed to attend classes in the Fall of 2019 without a shot record of a Tdap booster. Make an after school appointment for Tdap with your physician if your child has yet to have the immunization and turn in the supporting document(s) to the school office.

#### Are you interested in learning about the secondary math placement test your 6th grader will be taking?

If so, you are welcome to attend a Parent Information Night on Monday, February 4, 2019 from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Thornton Junior High School Gymnasium. Topics discussed at this session will cover the following:

- The Secondary Math Pathways
- Explanation of criteria used for placement into The Secondary Math Pathways
- Parents of 6th grade students in the Thornton Attendance Area are invited to attend

If you have questions about this event, please contact Curriculum and Instruction at 510-657-2350 extension 12705 or email Susan Lemke at slemke@fremont.k12.ca.us

The Math Test for 7th Grade Placement (formerly known as 6th Grade Math Placement Test) is now an online assessment. The test, made up of two parts, will be administered at schools between April 8 and April 17, 2019. Results from both parts of the test, along with district assessment results and 2 years of SBAC scores, will be considered for math placement in junior high and middle school. For more information, please visit the Math Homepage (https://www.fremont.k12.ca.us/Page/139).

### Fremont Unified Offers Language Immersion Programs Beginning in Kindergarten

Federal and State programs will be holding an informational meeting for Kindergarten enrollment in the **Spanish Dual Immersion (SDI) program.** The meeting will be:

Date: February 12, 2019 Time: 6:30-7:30 PM

Location: Central Meeting Room (CMR), FUSD District Office, 4210 Technology Drive, Fremont, CA 94538

If you have any questions about this program, please visit the FUSD website under Federal and State Programs: https://www/fremont.k12.ca.us/Page/18141 or email Sarah Barrious at sbarrious@fremont.k12.ca.us

#### School Accountability Report Card

Federal and state laws require school districts to make accountability reports available to the public online. Accountability report information is based on data and information from the previous year. Dates will run one year behind. We are pleased to inform you that our district's School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) are available in English, Spanish, and/or Chinese, as required. You may view our updated SARC, beginning in February 2019, on the Fremont Unified School District web site at www.fremont.k12.ca.us under Resources & Contacts/School Reports, or by visiting your school office. To answer any questions regarding the SARCs, there are designated personnel available at each school site. For more information about SARC requirements, see the California Department of Education (CDE) SARC web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa/.

## Fall Registration/Reservation Forms

The annual **Fall Registration/Reservation Forms** will be mailed home from FUSD to the parents/legal guardians of continuing students. Parents/legal guardians are to return the completed forms along with their required supporting documentation to the school site that their student attends. **Form and residency proofs are due to Ardenwood on or before the due date of 2/28/2019!** This includes TK and any students overloaded/attending here from other schools.

#### **After School Programs**

Please be aware that it is the parent's responsibility to deliver their children to any after school programs on campus. Please mark your calendar with the start and end dates for the program so as not to forget to pick up your child when the program ends. Teachers are not responsible to walk students to their respective after school programs. Be sure to pick up your child(ren) at the time the after school program ends to avoid a rush to the office and your child calling you to be picked up from school.

## **ELPAC – The English Language Proficiency Assessments for California**

The ELPAC is the test that will be used to measure how well students in TK through twelfth grade understand English when it is not their primary language. The ELPAC will be administered February 25 – April 12.

The ELPAC tests four different areas: Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing. Use the following links for more information and to access the practice tests:

- Practice Tests https://www.elpac.org/resources/practicetests/
- California Dept. of Education ELPAC Web page http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ep/
- ELPAC is aligned to the ELD Standards http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/el/er/documents/eldstndspublication14.pdf

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Tues.	01/29/19	FUSD Spelling Bee @ Glenmoor Elementary 6:30-9:00 pm
Wed.	01/30/19	Minimum Day
Wed.	01/30/19	Basketball Game vs. Patterson @ Patterson 3:30/4:30 pm
Mon.	02/04/19	Alameda County Library Bookmobile 2:45-3:45 pm
Mon.	02/04/19	Parent Info Night for 7th Grade Math Placement @Thornton Jr. High 6:00-7:00 pm
Tues.	02/05/19	Parent Teacher Association Meeting 7:00 pm
Wed.	02/06/19	Minimum Day
Wed.	02/06/19	Basketball Game vs. Warwick @ Ardenwood 3:30/4:30 pm
Wed.	02/13/19	Minimum Day
Fri.	02/15/19	Minimum Day
Mon.	02/18/19	Presidents' Day – No School
Tues.	02/19/19	School Site Council Meeting 6:30 pm
Wed.	02/20/19	Minimum Day
Fri.	02/22/19	"Disney Day" (Student Council Spirit Day)
Mon.	02/25/19	Alameda County Library Bookmobile 2:45-3:45 pm
Wed.	02/27/19	Basketball Game vs. Oliveira @ Ardenwood 3:30/4:30