

McKinley Matters

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Students of Character

On Friday, May 25th, the McKinley School Student Council conducted an assembly in honor of Memorial Day. At the same time, students who were selected by their classmates and their teachers received Outstanding Character Awards. Congratulations to the following students who demonstrate on a daily basis the McKinley character traits: Amy Ngaopraset (1Mah), Sam Stalling (1Man), Michael Safee (1McM), Fabian Garcia (1S), Daniel Flores (2C), Sydney Boland (2G), Katherine Erny (2N), Hallie DeFilippis (2S), Tenzin Dickyi (3B), Marcos Perez (3F), Dominick Conte (3K), Lajla Markovic (3N), Emilse Almanza (4B), Sela Park (4D), Lydia Tartamella (4M), Matthew Wittstein (4P), Sadie Moncayo (5G), Seyoon Park (5H), Tony Paul Longueira (5I), and Carley Strachan (5L). In addition, congratulations to Mehdi Dahir (Student Council Award), Rachel Rival (Student Council Award), Sarah Swedberg (Humanitarian Recognition), and Mrs. Kathy Reddy (Outstanding Staff Recognition)!

Volunteer Breakfast

This year, McKinley School has had a record breaking number of parent volunteers who have helped in the classrooms, chaperoned trips, conducted fundraisers, chaired special events, collected and distributed newsletters... Over 200 invitations went out to parents for the Annual Volunteer Breakfast which is hosted by the teachers and served by the members of the Student Council.

Special recognition was given by Dyan DeCastro to the following parents of graduating fifth grade students: Evelyn Bodnar, Cathy Saloomey, Mike and Jean Treglia, Debbie Strachan, and Dennis Pryor, all of whom have shown significant leadership in the PTA over many years. In addition, special honors were mentioned for Sue Dow, Advisor to the PTA; Patty Mihaylo, multi-faceted volunteer and technical manager of the parent email blast; and Marie Stalling, the volunteer school photographer.

Over 100 high school students who assist as mentors and after school program leaders will be recognized next week with an ice cream celebration.

Tools for Schools

The Tools for Schools committee in each school in Fairfield helps to maintain a safe school environment. At McKinley, the committee meets before school once each month to review, discuss, and address any known concerns. The current parent member of this committee, Jeff Allen, is the parent of a fifth grade student. He will need to be replaced by another parent who is interested in safety matters. *Please contact the school if you would like to join this committee as the parent representative next year.*

Lost and Found

During the final weeks of school, we work actively to collect borrowed library books and to send home projects, reports, and items of clothing. Please check the Lost and Found frequently.

As you are cleaning at home, remember that we have a gently used library in the lobby. We are still accepting donations to the giving library. The shelves are currently empty! Please send in used books that can be "recycled" for summer reading. Thank you.