

# Farnsworth Newsletter December 16, 2013



# **Holiday Sing Program for Parents**:

Come enjoy holiday songs our students will perform on Wednesday, December 18 at 2:00. Each grade level will be performing. We invite all parents to attend! We here at Farnsworth wish you a wonderful holiday season!!

## Cold Weather and Pollution:

Please make sure students come dressed to go outside during the winter as recess opportunities are important, but we also need students to be safe. We monitor both the temperature and the air quality to determine whether students will go outside at each recess. Based on standards set by the Utah Department of Health (UDOH) and Utah Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ), there are days that we will keep all students inside (if particulate matter is above 90 ug/m³) and days when we will need to keep "sensitive students" (those with significant or poorly controlled asthma, cystic fibrosis, chronic lung disease, congenital heart disease, compromised immune systems, or other respiratory problems) inside (if particulate matter is above 35.5 ug/m³). Please let the office know if your student qualifies as a "sensitive student".

# **Open Enrollment:**

The months of December, January, and February have been legislated for parents to exercise their school-choice option for the Early Enrollment Period Transfer for the forthcoming school year (2014/2015). If you wish your student(s) to attend a school other than the school in your home boundary, you are required to complete a Granite School District "USOE Standard Open Enrollment Application," (Early Enrollment Period Transfer) and submit it to the school of your choice between the time period beginning Monday, December 2, 2013, and ending on Friday, February 21, 2014. This is the best time to request a transfer to a non-resident school for the forthcoming school year. The forms are available in the requested school's office from December 1 through the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday in February.

Students residing within Granite School District are given priority. Applications will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis and will be stamped with the date and time received. Each application is individually screened and considered based on available space in the requested grade, class, or program. The requested school has until Monday, March 17, 2014 or within six weeks after receipt of the application (whichever is later) to notify the parent/family of acceptance.

If your student(s) are accepted on the USOE Standard Early Open Enrollment Application, it is not required that you reapply the following school year—as long as space is available, and the student(s) remain in this school. As in the past, when a student moves from elementary school to junior high, or from junior high school, there is no automatic feeder system--students on permits in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades, who wish to attend a school outside of their home school boundary, must reapply on the USOE Standard Open Enrollment Application (during the Early Enrollment Transfer Period) to request the preferred school.

### **UPCOMING:**

Dec 19: Planning Day Dec 20-Jan 3: Winter Recess

Jan 6: Welcome Back to School!

Jan 8: Community Council Meeting (2:30 p.m.)