



# Farnsworth Newsletter

## September 30, 2014



### **Community Council**

Thanks to those of you who participated in our Community Council Elections. Carissa Fjeldsted and Amanda Psuik were elected as parent representatives to serve two-year terms. The other members of our community council are: Karyn Winder, Diann Cox, Andrea Lindsey, Rachel Pehrson, and Joan Bramble. Our next meeting will be October 8 at 2:30 p.m. in the conference room at Farnsworth.

### **Boo to the Flu**

Thursday, October 2 we will have flu shots available from 4-7 p.m. Nurses from CNS will be here for this in the East Gym. CNS can bill some insurance companies or you can pay cash (\$30 for flu mist; \$35 for the flu shot).

### **PTA Fundraiser**

Thanks for your help selling chocolates for our PTA fundraiser. Make sure you return the chocolate and/or money to the PTA (8:30-9:15 a.m. or 3:30-4:15 p.m.). The fundraiser ends on October 8!

### **Afterschool Program:**

Our Afterschool Program has started. We have programming from 8-9 a.m. and 3:45-5:45 p.m. Monday through Thursday. There are forms at the front office if you have not yet signed up for this!

### **SWAT:**

This year we are continuing to use a school-wide bully prevention program called S.W.A.T. (Stop, Walk, and Talk). When your child perceives a problem with another student, they should use the hand signal they have been taught while verbally saying, "STOP". If the problem persists, the student should then "walk" away from the situation. If, at that point, they are still being bothered, they should "talk" to an adult who can help to resolve the issue. These steps are skipped in severe instances if the student is being threatened or if there is any real danger of physical harm. We want to ensure that your student has a safe, happy, fun place to learn every single day. SWAT gives each student valuable tools to learn how to solve problems on their own, as well as an easy process to help them know when to seek help from an adult. If you have questions, comments or concerns about our SWAT program, please don't hesitate to contact the school. If your child reports a concern to you also make sure you let the school know about this so we can address these issues.

### **UPCOMING:**

October 2: BOO to the FLU (4-7 p.m.)  
October 8: Community Council (2:30 p.m.)  
October 14: School Pictures  
October 15: Lunch with the Principal; Short Day (Early Dismissal)  
October 16-17: Fall Recess – No School  
October 22: Reflections Due