

September 2018

Truman Newsletter



From the Principal

Welcome back to school! While I love the summer, there is nothing like seeing the students on the first day; excited and a little nervous about the new year.

At the beginning of each year I make a plea to parents to better understand how important and influential you are in your child's education. Parent support can make or break a child's education and outlook on school and it is in the little things that make the biggest difference: attendance, homework support and organization, and communication with the teacher. Attendance—simply having the routine that kids come everyday makes a huge difference. The more kids think they can miss a day or two for whatever reason, the more reasons they find to miss and missing even one day means they are behind. Homework support and organization—create a time and space for your child to do their homework that is consistent and being available to help them when they have questions shows them that its important and gives you a better idea about what they're learning and what they might be struggling with. Communication—checking in with the teacher before or after school, emailing the teacher with questions, or even checking grades frequently shows your child that you care and provides you with information that you need to be more involved.

I love coming to work each day and having the privilege of working and associating with your children. I look forward to working with you to make this a great year where your child will be successful here at Truman, the BEST in the West!

From the Student Council

Welcome to this year's student council!

These students will be working directly with the PTA, teachers, and students. Their responsibilities will include recognizing student achievement, planning school activities, writing newsletter articles, morning announcements, and producing TNN. They are excited to serve!



From the PTA

Reflections is happening now! It is an arts competition for students and entries are due Oct. 9th. Your child can draw or paint a picture, take a photograph, write a story or poem, create a dance or musical composition or film, and enter. The theme is "Heroes Around Me." Entry forms and rules are at the school or online at utahpta.org/reflections. The class with the most entries will win a root beer float party!

Want to make a difference in your child's school experience? Please consider joining PTA. We have so many great programs at Truman but we can't do them without you! Our meetings are always the 2nd Monday each month at 4 pm. Kids are welcome. Next meeting is Monday, Sept. 10th!

From the School Community Council

We still need one more parent to serve on the School Community Council. It is only a once a month meeting, but you get to have a lot of input into many things here at Truman. This council is state mandated so we need to find someone. If you have any questions about it, contact the principal or the Council Chair Molly Upshaw. To learn more about Community Council, go to www.trumansoars.org.

Important Reminders

- The Parent Portal (portal/graniteschools.org) is available for you to access student grades, lunch balance, attendance, etc.
- Please use the drop-off and parking zones as intended (i.e. park in the parking lot and drop off/pick up in the drop-off zone). This helps us ensure the safety of all students.
- Remind your child that toys stay home or they will be a parent pick up.
- In order to ensure that only authorized persons have access to your child, we require everyone to show ID in the office.

Upcoming Events

- 9/3—Labor Day (No School)
- 9/6—Mrs. Frost’s class field trip
- 9/10—Ms. Austin’s class field trip
- 9/20—Mrs. Frost’s class field trip
- 9/24-9/25—SEP’s (Student, Educator, Parent Conferences) from 4:00-7:30pm
- 9/28—No School

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Labor Day—No School	4	5	6 Mrs. Frost Field Trip	7 Early Day	8
9	10 Austin Field Trip 4pm-PTA Meeting	11	12	13	14 Early Day	15
16	17	18	19	20 Mrs. Frost Field Trip	21 Early Day	22
23/30	24/31 (24th) 4-7:30 SEP's	25 Soar Day 4-7:30 pm SEP's	26	27 Early Day	28 No School	29