Friday Flyer August 18, 2017

Upcoming Events:

- 8/23 MINIMUM DAY (12:00p.m. dismissal) Back to School Night @ 6:30 p.m. (Parents only)
 - o 1st FREE DRESS day of the year



Dear M.M.C.A families,

Welcome to the first Friday Flyer of the school year! At MMCA, we publish weekly electronic flyers with information for all of our families. I look forward to seeing each of you next Wednesday at our Back to School Night.

Thank you!

Mr. Boothby

School - Home Communications

- o *Office hours*: The MMCA Front Office is open from 8:10 a.m. 3:30 p.m. every school day.
- o Friday Flyers: At the end of each school week, we will publish a weekly flyer about news and activities going on at the school.
- o Newsletters: We will also publish a more detailed bi-monthly newsletter with articles from each of our classrooms and parent groups.
- o Electronic Distribution of Communications: We communicate electronically by:
 - Sending email "e-blasts" if you have not been receiving our emails, please email "mmca@mmcharter.org" with the subject line "subscribe."
 - 2) Posting our Flyers on the "School News" blog on the front page of our website, http://www.mmcharter.org; and

3) Posting links to our Flyers on our Facebook page - like us at Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/MariaMontessoriCharterAcademy/?fref=ts.

o *Google Activities Calendar*: Our Google calendar on our website lists all of our upcoming and ongoing activities. If you would like a school activity added to the school calendar, please email Mrs. Brown at cbrown@mmcharter.org.

2017-2018 Parent Orientation Handbook:

An electronic copy of our 2017-2018 Parent Orientation Packet is available for download HERE: http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/72cec9 3d6308a0bbd444e8a97b4139a86e1536.pdf

Drop-off / Pick-up Reminders:

We have a detailed list of our drop-off / pick-up published within our Handbook, but I wanted to highlight a couple items specifically:

- 1) Please do not leave your car unattended at the drop-off / pick-up curb in front of school
- 2) The right lane is for drop-off / pick-up, the left lane is for driving through to park at a designated parking spot please do not 'cut' in front of other parents
- 3) The 'drive through' lane does not start until the preschool driveway
- 4) Parking is also available at neighboring St. Augustine Church and Margaret Azevedo Park there are designated paths from both directly to our school.

<u>After School Enrichment Clubs Update:</u>

Hello Parents and welcome to a new school year! We are looking for parents that might have a talent or interest that they might like to share with the students in the form of an after school enrichment club. If you would like to volunteer once a week for 4 or 5 weeks, please contact me at rbaldonade@mmcharter.org. Examples of some of our past clubs include Choir, Chess, S.T.E.M., Art, Running, Yoga and even a Juggling club.

Kind regards,

Ray Baldonade

MMCA Sports Program Update:

Girls Basketball starts even earlier this year! Our first game is September 5th! Tryouts are for girls in grade 5th and up. Tryouts will be Tuesday, 8/22 at 3:20 pm.

First MMCA School Uniform Order Coming up

For families interested in school-based apparel, we partner with All Awards of Citrus Heights as our Uniform vendor. The order form is available here: http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/72cec9_023e8b9c787f4aa4a555fbf090b050a4.pdf. We are currently collecting order forms from interested families for our first round of ordering. The deadline for your order to be included in the first round of ordering will be 8/25/17. Orders take about 10 days to be processed. Especially for field trips, we encourage all families to purchase the white t-shirt available on the order form.

Carpooling Opportunities:

At MMCA, we have families that come from all over the area. In that spirit, we like to promote carpooling. Below are a couple of carpooling opportunities. If you would like a carpooling opportunity posted in one of our future Flyers, please email our mmca@mmcharter.org account with a subject line of CARPOOL HELP.

Wheatland / Lincoln Hills area carpool: Lily Ross, 530.906.9707, Lily.Ross@email.com
Auburn Area (Dry Creek Road Exit) - Alexandra Frankel 321 sfrankel@alexandrafrankel.com

Student School Supplies Update:

New parents: One of our traditions at MMCA has been to bulk buy the core student school supplies on behalf of our families. We've done this for two reasons:

- 1. To save you the time, energy and hassle of going to several different stores to pick up all of the items on our published school supplies list; and
- 2. To save you SIGNIFICANT \$ by bulk-buying these supplies on your behalf.

The 2017-2018 school supplies list for each grade level is now posted on our website. Depending on grade level, our ACTUAL cost for these supplies is approximately \$70-\$80 per student. We are going to continue the promotion we did last year related to school supplies:

Buy early and save! Purchase supplies for only \$60 8/1-8/24; and \$70 8/25 and later. School Supplies can be purchased on our website at this link: http://www.mmcharter.org/store