



SEPTEMBER 2016

CALABASAS SCHOOL

“COUGARS” NEWSLETTER

EDUCATE EVERYONE EVERY DAY

From The Principal's Office...

Calabasas parents,

We are already into the 4th week of school and there is much to be proud of. We have completed DIBELS testing in the lower elementary levels. We have also assessed our upper level elementary students, as well as, our middle school students using NWEA Measure of Academic Progress (MAP). Teachers have taken part in professional development related to the MAP results, and throughout the upcoming weeks, we will be using the data collected to make more informed decisions regarding our students' academic levels.

Calabasas, like the most successful schools in the nation, will begin to examine the data and provide enrichment activities for those who have met mastery, and provide re-teach experiences for those students who have not mastered the content. At Calabasas School, data drives instruction.

We are also excited to announce that we have applied for, and have been awarded, the highly competitive 21st Century Grant. This grant will allow us to ensure that we have an after school program for the following:

- An hour after school for those students who need the extra assistance to complete homework
- An hour after school for those students who are advanced / gifted to have an enriching after school STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) experience
- An hour after school for those students who are having difficulties as noted by the recently completed MAP assessments
- At least an hour after school for all students to have an engaging experience with a fun, educationally related, club

Have a great September!!!!

“Home of the Cougars”

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Rebekah Cabrera,

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7:00 A.M.-3:30 P.M.

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IMPORTANT SEPTEMBER DATES

- 1 Student of the Month Breakfast**
- 5 Labor Day/No Classes
- 7 REGULAR DAY
- 12 Site Council & Booster Meeting
- 12-16 Scholastic Book Fair
- 13 & 27 Board Meeting
- 14 & 28 Healthy Families / Healthy Youth
- 15 Library Hour
- 26 K-6 Gifted Parent Meeting
- 29 PBIS Fine Dining w/ Administration**

First Line of Defense FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Welcome to all new and returning families from the health offices at Calabasas. My name is Lorrie Nickel RN, school nurse. Enrique Martinez, Kiki, is the health aide at the elementary side. Martha Montenegro is the health aide at the middle school. Please call us if you have any questions or concerns. Please note the following attendance guidelines for illness. Please do not send your child to school if any of the following signs or symptoms are present during the previous 24 hours:

- Elevated temperature (100 degrees or more). Children need to be fever free for 24 hours without medication before returning to school
- Acute cold, sore throat or persistent cough
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Pus-like discharge from the nose or eyes. Red or inflamed eyes/lids
- Suspected or untreated skin rash, impetigo, ringworm, scabies or lice
- Please contact the health office when you are not sure if your child is well enough to attend school

Best of health to you and your family!

SPORTS

- 1 FB & VB (H) vs. Altar Valley
- 6- CC @ vs. Sahuarita
- 8- FB & VB (H) vs. Anza Trail
- 9- CC@ (TBA) Desert Solstice
- 12-CC Pictures @ RRHS
- 13- CC @ RRHS
- 15- FB & VB @ vs. CTMS
- 20- FB & VB @ vs. Continental / CC @ vs. Tanque Verde
- 22- FB & VB (H) vs. Emily Gray
- 23 CC Rich River @ RRHS
- 27- CC League @ Waldon Grove
- 30- CC Desert Twilight @ (TBA)

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From the Counselor's Office

Diane Chamberlain (520)375-8600 dchamberlain@scv35.org

Welcome Calabasas 7th graders. Regarding the Healthy Families Healthy Youth drug prevention program, I would like to remind you to sign up now, if you haven't already, so you don't miss this great opportunity. It will be both fun and serious. You can sign up for one of the two events September 14th or September 28th 5:30pm—8:30pm. You will receive a t-shirt, along with a gift card for your parent. Bring your appetites as we will also share a delicious dinner together. I'm in room 7L if you have any questions. Thanks, Ms. C

From the Assistant Principal

Rebekah Cabrera (520-375-8600) rcabrera@scv35.org

Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to 2016-2017 school year! It's been a great beginning so far! As a way to continue the great start, I have listed just a few ways to get to know your child's teacher(s), counselors, principal, assistant principals and other staff members.

- **Attend open house and other school events:** They're your change to meet school staff and other parents in a relaxed atmosphere.
- **Stay in contact with your child's teacher(s):** Schedule parent teacher conferences and meeting early in the school year. Let the teacher know that you want to be involved in your child's education. Conferences can be scheduled at a convenient time for both of you.
- **Build a good relationship with teachers and staff members:** The better they know you and your child, the more they can help. Talk about any concerns you have and what your child does well. Ask how you can help your child at home too.
- **Stay in touch with teachers and other staff members throughout the school year:** You can call, write notes, or send e-mails, and meet with them (call or arrange a convenient time).

I look forward to working with you and your child(ren). It's a great day to be a Cougar!

With kind regards,

Rebekah Cabrera

From our Parent Liaison

Irma Vélez (520)-375-8600 ivelez@scv35.org

Welcome to a great new school year school year! We have many wonderful events coming up in the next months, be prepared. If you are interested in volunteering please stop by room 8M to sign up. Our first Site Council meeting will held at the Middle School Library on September 12th at 5:00pm. We hope you can join us. Library Hour will be held on September 15th at 2:15pm in our Elementary Library.....Don't miss it!

From the Band Director

Jason Taurins (520)375-8600 jtaurins@scv35.org

The year is off to a strong start! If your child has not turned in his/her contract and activity fee, please do so as soon as possible. It is important that all seventh and eighth grade students have ordered the new books they need for this year as well. Our first concert is on Thursday, October 6. All students must be in the band room for attendance at 5:45. I look forward to seeing you there!

From the Athletic Director

Manuel Carrillo (520) 375-8600 mcarrillo@scv35.org

First quarter sports are on their way! We will be having Football, Girls Volleyball and Boys / Girls Cross Country. It is important to have the athletic packet completed if you want your child to participate in any athletic competition. We will be having a total of 8 games during the season. Check out the school website for the calendar of events. Come and support our school. Go Cougars!

Six Pillars of Character Counts					
Trustworthiness	Respect	Responsibility	Fairness	Caring	Citizenship
<p>Be honest, reliable, and mindful of your own good reputation.</p> <p>Have the courage to do the right thing.</p>	<p>Treat others with respect. Use good manners. Be considerate and tolerant of differences. Deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements.</p>	<p>Do your best and do what you are supposed to do. Make wise choices and hold yourself accountable. Exercise self-discipline.</p>	<p>Be open-minded and listen to others. Play by the rules, take turns and share. Take advantage of no one and blame no one carelessly.</p>	<p>Be helpful, compassionate and kind. Express gratitude. Forgive others and yourself.</p>	<p>Come prepared. Participate and cooperate willingly. Be positive and honor the rules.</p>