

Reynolds ARTHUR ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL



May 10, 2007

Dear Families,

From all of the teachers, many, many thanks for the special thoughts and treats like coffee and doughnuts this week. Our school looks beautiful full of bouquets of flowers from the children. We all thoroughly enjoyed our lunch on Tuesday, which also fed us on Wednesday. Thank you so much to those who cooked, coordinated, set up and helped extra in the cafeteria so that we could all really enjoy the wonderful food and a chance to sit down and eat!

Coming Up

- The next RAAPO meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 22 at 7:00 pm. Elections for next year's parent committee officers will be held, so please try to be there.
- The next board meeting of Mastery Learning Institute will be held on Thursday, May 10 at the David Douglas Arthur Academy (13717 SE Division St.). This meeting is open to the public if you would like to attend.
- No school on Memorial Day - Monday, May 28.
- The last day of school for students is Friday, June 15 (yikes!)

5th Grade Promotion

On Tuesday, June 12 there will be a gathering of students and families of our 5th graders and the 5th graders from the David Douglas Arthur Academy. We will honor our first graduating class at 7:00 pm at the Greater Gresham Baptist Church. Please RSVP to the event to Ms. Jensen so that we know an approximate number of 5th graders and guests to plan for. We are asking for parents of 4th graders (and others) to help set up, decorate, serve cake and clean up at the graduation so that 5th grade families can relax and enjoy their special time. ***Please let me know if you could help with this.***

Oregon State Assessments

Our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders took the state assessment in reading/literature this week and will complete the math assessment within the next week. The teachers and I are very proud of the efforts and positive attitudes of the students and know that they will do their best work.

Stanford Achievement Tests

All of our students in grades K-5 will be taking the Stanford Achievement Test (SAT) in both Reading and Math between May 23 – May 31. These multiple-choice tests will be spread out over several days in order to ensure the best performance from our children.

Please be sure that your children are in school during these days so that they do not have to take make-up tests later on. Please let teachers know if there are unavoidable circumstances and make-ups will be scheduled.

Arthur Academy Parent Survey – Last chance

Each of you received a short survey during your parent conference. If you have not returned yours yet, please do so by Monday. It is important for us to have input from each and every one of you regarding your degree of satisfaction with our school. If you need another copy, please get one from the classroom teacher. You may return the anonymous surveys to a manila envelope in my mailbox.

Oregon Dept. of Education Charter School Survey – Last Chance

As part of our Charter School grant, we are required to have our parents and staff participate in the online ODE Charter School survey each year. We need to have a minimum of a 75% response rate from our families. All surveys must be done on computer with Internet access and only take about 10 minutes to complete. To access the survey, go to

<http://www.ode.state.or.us/surveys/>

Please be sure to find Reynolds Arthur Academy (not any of the other Arthur Academy schools) and respond to the questions accordingly. Since we must have a 75% response rate, we ask that you complete a separate survey for each of your children at our school.

I will not be at school on Friday, so I will respond to any messages on Monday. **Don't forget to pick up your plants at 11:45 (kindergarten) and 3:00 on Friday.** We have no place to keep forgotten plants. Thank you so much to Heather Schefter for organizing another extremely successful plant sale this year!

Sincerely,

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