GRIZZLY BIZZ

April 20, 2018

Dear Grizzly Families,

Thank you to all families that have participated in the 2018-19 school funding survey, which is part of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) process. The survey is open through this Sunday, April 22. By taking this survey, you will help IUSD identify annual goals, take action on those goals, and measure progress on academic achievement, school climate and parent engagement. Your input is critical to IUSD's decision-making process and will help guide investments in the District's priorities.

This year, there are two options for participation:

Option #1 is the <u>condensed LCAP survey</u>, which requests feedback on action items grouped by category. This survey has nine questions and one open response.

Option #2 is the <u>comprehensive LCAP survey</u>, which requests feedback on individual action items. This survey has 31 questions and one open response.

To learn more about the state's funding system, including the Local Control Funding Formula and the LCAP, visit https://iusd.org/about/our-district/lcaplcff.

Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

Megan Bricker, Principal

Portola Springs Elementary

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UPCOMING DATES

- Wednesday, April 25th 8:15-8:30- Grizzly Nation (all families welcome)
- Monday, April 30th Friday, May 11th CAASPP Testing 5th/6th grade
- Friday, May 4th 1:00- Golf Tournament and Dinner (adults only)
- Saturday, May 5th- Kids Run the OC (OC Marathon)
- **Sunday, May 6th-** Irvine Junior Games (4th-6th Grade students)
- Thursday, May 10th 5:00-7:00pm- Multi-Cultural Event

SCHOOL INFORMATION

IPSF PATS Program

ORDER YOUR PATS There is only one week left to show your teachers and other school staff how much you and your child appreciate all they do by ordering your PATS today! Our teachers enjoy receiving Parents Appreciating Teachers and Staff (PATS) certificates with your personal message and a small gift expressing your gratitude during Teacher Appreciation Week. Deadline to order is April 21. www.ipsf.net/pats

Parking Lot

Thank you for your continued patience and commitment to safety in our parking lot. Upper grade families, we ask that you please not wait in the valet lines before primary dismissal (2:15 and 1:20 on Wednesdays) as it is challenging to keep traffic flowing. We are working with IPD on traffic patterns and general safety improvements (permanent cones in both lots, additional speedbump) to keep our students safe. Thank you!

Earthquake Preparedness Month

April is Earthquake Preparedness Month and our school would like to take this opportunity to encourage our community to be prepared. Taking the following simple steps can help you and your family during an earthquake or other emergency.

What You Need to Know About School:

IUSD maintains responsibility for our students. Campuses in the Irvine Unified School District will be secured and students will be kept at school until they can safely be released to parents or authorized guardians through an established reunification process.

We prepare to be self-sufficient. Though IUSD works closely with the Irvine Police Department, the Orange County Fire Authority and other agencies, it may be necessary to coordinate our own response efforts if emergency personnel are

tending to more immediate needs. IUSD staff members have been assigned specific roles and responsibilities, which are practiced during drills throughout the year.

Stay Connected with IUSD:

SchoolMessenger –During an emergency, check your phone, voicemail and email first for the most up-to-date information from the District.

Keep Your Information Updated – Make sure your school has your most up-to-date contact information so they know how to reach you, your spouse and/or responsible caregivers to arrange for pick-up.

IUSD Website – Visit jusd.org for updates and official information.

Social Media – Stay connected to the District on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Social media is an effective and real-time way to communicate, especially when phone lines are down.

Like IUSD on Facebook: facebook.com/irvineunifiedschooldistrict

Follow IUSD on Twitter: twitter.com/iusd

Follow IUSD on Instagram: instagram.com/irvine_unified

For more emergency preparedness information and resources, such as family plans and recommended supply lists, visit <u>cityofirvine.org/prepare</u>.

ELPAC Testing

In April and May, students that are designated as English Language Learners will participate in the English Language Proficiency Assessment for California (ELPAC). You can find additional information here.

GATE Parent Night

Our guest speaker, Paul Kanarek, the Founder of The Princeton Review in California, will share more than 30 years of experience with the college admission process. He brings genuine insight, mixed with humor, and has been well-received on many occasions with our IUSD families.

PLEASE NOTE: Our speaker is intended for an adult audience only. Childcare will not be provided. Please plan accordingly.

WHEN: MONDAY, APRIL 23, 6:00-7:30PM

WHERE: NORTHWOOD High School Theater, 4515 Portola Parkway

Parent Education Classes

Parent education courses begin April 23rd. This series focuses on helping your child succeed in school. They run Mondays 9:00-11:00am for 6 weeks. <u>Click here</u> for more details.

IPSF Summer Enrichment Academy

Portola Springs will be hosting two sessions of IPSF Summer Enrichment Academy. If you would like to see the courses offered, please visit the website at http://www.ipsfacademy.org/index.php?pro=5. Registration begins Monday!

PTA INFORMATION

Portola Springs Golf Tournament

The First Annual Portola Springs Golf Tournament will take place at Tustin Rach Golf Course on Friday, May 4th at 1:00. Register on the <u>PTA Website</u>. We need 36 more participants by next Friday to secure this tournament. Please sign up this week so we can make this a reality!

IPSF INFORMATION

For the April Edition of IPSF Impact Newsletter, click here.