



MONTE VISTA MESSENGER

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GOLD MEDAL SCHOOLS

This year our school will continue to implement the Gold Medal Schools program. Our Gold Medal Schools Mentor this year is Colette Ewell. She will help our school develop policies, create a healthy school environment, and provide support and resources that will help our school achieve the Platinum Focus level in the program.

Our walking goal this year is to walk 15,000 miles. We invite parents, teachers, faculty, staff, and community members to join students in the walking the Gold Medal Mile. Walking is a great exercise that will help you feel better and learn better. By implementing Gold Medal Schools at Monte Vista Elementary our students will have the opportunities to: Be Active, Eat Healthy, and Stay Tobacco-free.

For more information or to learn about the Gold Medal Schools program please visit their Web site www.hearthighway.org.

REFLECTIONS

Thanks for getting your Reflections entries turned in. We are very excited because this year we had 307 entries, a new school record! Everyone that has entered a Reflections project is invited to attend the Awards Night on Wednesday, November 18th. We have made some changes to Awards Night that should work better for all involved. The gallery stroll will start at 6pm. During the gallery stroll all participants will pick up their participation ribbon as well as a prize for entering. The Presentations of Awards will begin

at 7 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

**REFLECTIONS
AWARDS NIGHT**

November 18th
**6pm Gallery
Stroll**
**7pm Awards
Presentation**

MONTE VISTA RED RIBBON WEEK

Monte Vista Students are Drug Free! 100% Drug Free!

The week of December 2-9 is Monte Vista's PTA Red Ribbon Week. Our students at Monte Vista are drug free. Each day we are asking the students to wear the item for the day to state that they are drug free. Each student will be given a bracelet and will be asked to sign a pledge card stating that they are drug free. On Thursday, December 3rd and December 8th PTA will sponsor two assemblies on those days at 1:00 and 2:15 with Corbin White, from Game Show USA. Corbin will have the children sing karaoke to their favorite songs.

Wednesday (12/2)

"Look at me, I am Drug Free"--Wear Red

Thursday (12/3)

"Hats off to those who are Drug Free"--Wear Hats

Friday (12/4)

"Sock it to Drug Day"--Wear Crazy Socks



Monday (12/7)

“Run Away from Drugs” —Wear Tennis Shoes/Sneakers

Tuesday (12/8)

“Be cool, don’t do drugs” —Wear Sunglasses

Wednesday (12/9)

“Monte Vista Students are Drug Free”--Wear your school colors or school t-shirts. School Colors are Blue and White.

RECYCLING PROGRAM

Monte Vista has teamed up with Terracycle to continue our recycling program! Monte Vista students will collect the wrappers of the items listed below. Terracycle then purchases those wrappers from Monte Vista and recycles them into fun products that are sold online and at popular retail stores. The items we will be collecting are:

- **Drink Pouches:** any foil style drink pouch, regardless of brand (Capri Sun, Koolaid, store brand, etc.). Please remove the straws before sending them to school.
- **Malt-O-Meal cereal bags:** All Malt-O-Meal cereal bags. No Malt-O-Meal boxes or generic brand bags. Please shake out all crumbs before sending to school.
- **Mars Candy Wrappers:** Any size candy wrappers from the Mars company including: Snickers, M&M's, Twix, Milky Way, Starburst, Skittles, Dove. Wrappers can be regular size, fun size, king size, etc. We can also recycle the outer plastic packaging from big bags of any of these candies.

- **Huggies Wrappers:** Any plastic packaging from any Huggies diapers. NO boxes.
- **Scott Paper Towels:** Any plastic packaging from any Scott paper towels. NO paper or cardboard rolls.

We will be collecting these items year round. The collection bin for all of these items is located in the library.

Support \sə- pə rt\, v.t. 1. to hold up the weight of (a load, structure, etc.) without giving way. 2. to uphold or advocate (a cause, principle, etc.)...

Support...there are many ways to define the word, Webster’s has nine. When we think of how our school is supported by so many people and businesses, it seems the possibilities to define the word become endless. We would like to extend a big thank you to our parents who supported our fundraiser this year. We know economic times have us all tightening our belts and we appreciate everyone’s efforts in making our fundraiser a success! PTA does not exist without funds or the many, many volunteers that we have helping daily.

We also have numerous local businesses that are always willing to help in any way they can. Again, we can’t function without their support. Please watch for these businesses to be listed on your school directory and do your best to support them with your patronage.

Remember, “No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it” ~H.E. Luccock

Thank you for being part of our orchestra and being instrumental in our success.



HELP WANTED!

Are you looking for something to fill those empty hours? Is your life lacking fulfillment? We have just the thing for you! PTA is still looking for a President Elect. This person will shadow the 2009-2010 presidents this year and then take over as president for the 2010-2011 school year. Now is the time to jump on board and learn all the things necessary to run our school's PTA. This position can be split between two individuals. This helps to lighten your workload and makes it a more rewarding job altogether. If you are interested at all, please contact one of your 2009-2010 presidents. We'd love to chat with you about it!

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Pay for your work...zero dollars, pay for
meetings attended...zero dollars,
Reward you get back from helping our school and
students...PRICELESS!

Last Chance! A \$50.00 gift card to Target could be yours!

Join the Monte Vista PTA by November 20th and
your name will be entered in a drawing for a

\$50.00 Target gift card. It's just \$5.00 dollars for each person to join and it's possibly the best \$5.00 you'll spend this year! Membership envelopes are available in the front office or call Kristine Supoto to make arrangements to get one. Not sure if you've already joined? Contact Kristine at 801-865-6490 or me@KristineSupoto.com and she can check your membership status.

What is membership all about? There are numerous benefits to due paying members including discounts and offers from various member benefits providers and sponsors, magazine subscriptions online parenting resources, e-newsletters and much more. But the number one reason to join is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. To see a more detailed description of these benefits, visit the national PTA web site @ www.pta.org.

Our membership is down 25% from last year, so please take a moment to join. Moms and dads can both join, helping to increase our membership numbers. Don't forget, the deadline date for the drawing is November 20th, but you can join anytime during the year. Get your membership dues in soon!



October Student of the Month Winners

First Grade

Natalie Jack
Halle Steere
Kacie Godfrey

Second Grade

Jade Smith
Hunter Larsen
Keegan Uredge
Emily Katwyk

Third Grade

Kyla Smith
Chelsea Ottley
Olivia Harmer
Robert Layosa

Fourth Grade

Lexi Loveless
Haleigh Hunsaker
Mackenzie Evans

Fifth Grade

Dallin Varner
Christine Soper
Kayden Kemp

Sixth Grade

Amy Shaw
Tayler McBride

