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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2008-09 school year. Please take time to read our Parent-Student Handbook as it contains lots of important information you as a parent will need. Within its pages you will find general information about our school, the school discipline plan, and an overview of the organizations and programs we offer. There are many opportunities for you to become involved in your child's school.

Ocean View has a valued tradition of involved and supportive parents, a highly qualified and committed staff, and of course outstanding accomplished students. Please be an active part of our school community and join us in making Ocean View an exemplary place for students. We look forward to serving and working with you and your child throughout the coming year. Our office staff is a critical part of our success at Ocean View. If you need assistance, please call the school office at 562-907-6400. Thank you for choosing Ocean View as your school home.

Sincerely,

Kathy Tryon

OCEAN VIEW MISSION STATEMENT

At Ocean View School we care about children. We believe that all students have the right to a quality education, and our mission is to provide an excellent educational program for all students. We strive to provide an integrated program based on and aligned with California State Standards, that helps students develop the ability to think and make decisions, develops self-esteem and concern for others, and encourages a love and excitement for learning. We continue to learn about ways to enhance learning for students and modify our program with well-balanced improvements as needs arise. Our goal is to help students become well-educated, thinking, caring citizens who can be successful in a rapidly changing world.

District Mission Statement

The East Whittier City School District is a learning organization of valued members whose mission, in partnership with the whole community, is to stimulate and support students to become lifelong learners and contributing members of a literate, skilled and responsible society.

Goals

1. All students will reach high academic standards, attaining proficient or better in reading, writing and mathematics.
Teachers will engage and challenge all students with enriched standards-based instruction, providing additional support for students with special needs through a variety of strategies, including differentiated instruction, small group instruction, on going assessment, increased access to technology, and other best practices.
2. All Limited-English proficient students will become proficient in English and reach high academic standards attaining proficiency or better in reading, writing and mathematics.
Students will be taught by teachers trained in ELD strategies and participate in Mainstream English, Sheltered English Immersion and/or Transitional programs to support their acquisition of English.
3. All students will be educated in learning environments that are safe, drug-free and conducive to learning.
Schools will support students' physical, social, emotional, intellectual and psychological development and will address barriers to students learning.
4. All students will be taught by highly qualified teachers. The recruitment, selection, training and retention of high quality staff will be a priority.

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Gr 3 12
Applegate

Gr 5 9
Glasgow

Ocean View
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Winbolt

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Chavez

Gr 3 14
Sasse

Gr 3 7
Vincent

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Kia

Lavatory

Gr 4 6
Scott

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Gr 3 15
Wetzel/Rosse

Gr 5 3
Connard

Strayer 16A

Gr 3 5
Quinn

Gr 4 4
Cronin

Counselor 16B

17/18
Learning
Center

Teacher's Lounge

Nurse Workroom

Conference Rm

Crawford/
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Office

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Gr 1 20
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Gr 2 21
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Stimmler

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Sipple

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Roy

Speech 25

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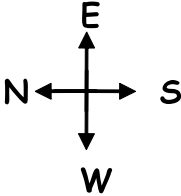
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School Map



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GENERAL INFORMATION

CHANGE OF ADDRESS/TELEPHONE

It is very important that the school office have each student's correct address and parent's home and/or business telephone numbers in case of emergency. This information is recorded on the Emergency Procedure Card on file in the school office.

Please report any change of address and/or telephone immediately.

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

Children should arrive no earlier than ten minutes before class begins, and should be picked up promptly after school. There is no supervision before 7:50 a.m. or after 2:50 p.m.

All children before school in grades 1 - 5 should meet at the picnic table area before school, sit down, and wait quietly until they are directed to walk to the playground at the 8:02 bell. For the safety of your child, do not have them arrive at school when there is no supervision. Please pick children up promptly at dismissal time.

LATE ARRIVAL/EARLY DEPARTURE

Students arriving to school late must check in at the office. If your child must be released from school before the end of the day for a medical appointment or other reason, send a note to his or her teacher stating this fact and the time that the child should be released. When you arrive at the office to pick up your child, a message will be sent to the classroom directing him or her to meet you in the office. A child will be released to a parent or an authorized person only; that is, an adult designated by the responsible parent on the orange Emergency Procedure Card on file at school.

LUNCH

Students may bring lunch from home, or may buy a hot lunch from our cafeteria. Lunch prices are \$1.50 for a full lunch including milk. Children may also buy milk for 30 cents. Students who purchase their lunches on a day-to-day basis will enter their PIN number and pay their money to the cashier as they pass through the lunch line.

LUNCH PROCEDURES

Students are encouraged to purchase prepaid lunches rather than bringing cash daily. You may pay for any number of meals on any day in CASH. Checks are NOT accepted.

If you deliver a lunch from home, be sure the lunch box or bag is marked with his/her name and room number and turn it into the office. Please do not include a carbonated beverage in your child's lunch. Bringing in a fast food lunch for your child is not encouraged. If you wish your child to have a fast food lunch, you may wish to take them off campus to eat. Food is not allowed out of the lunch area. Each child is to pick up his/her own trash before leaving the area. Noon aides supervise all lunch periods. They are there to protect the children by enforcing lunchtime rules.

FORGOTTEN LUNCH AND/OR MONEY

If lunch, or lunch money is forgotten, the student will be provided with peanut butter, crackers, and milk. Money will be loaned to any child by the cafeteria for up to 4 days.

MONEY AT SCHOOL

Students are encouraged to bring money only for the purchase of lunch or milk. Possession of extra money at school is neither necessary nor wise. Lunch money should be carried in a coin purse, wallet, or envelope on which is written the student's name, room number, and the money's intended use.

LOST AND FOUND

Sweaters, coats, jackets, lunch boxes/bags, and any other item your child may bring to school should be labeled. A "Lost and Found" box is provided for all articles found at school. Money lost or found at school should be reported to the office. Articles not claimed by the end of school in June will be donated to a welfare agency and/or worthy cause.

STUDENT USE OF SCHOOL TELEPHONE

The office telephone is available to the children for emergencies only.

RAINY DAYS AND EMERGENCIES

Plan with your child in advance as to where he/she should meet you on a rainy day or in an emergency situation. This will save innumerable calls to the school office, and your child will feel secure knowing these arrangements.

DISASTERS

This East Whittier City School District disaster plan outlines the procedures that will be used to protect children if a variety of disasters should take place while students are at school. Stated below are the criteria that will be applied if your child is to be help at school. The purpose of the plan is to protect your child and to release him/her to go home as soon as it is safe. It is not intended to provide long-term shelter.

In the event of a natural disaster or civil disruption, the building principal shall retain students at the building when:

1. The District office specifically advises the principal by telephone not to release students.
2. The reports generated over the radio on the Emergency Broadcast System indicates, in the principal's analysis that is unsafe to release children.
3. It is apparent to an ordinary, reasonably prudent person using common sense that it is unsafe to leave the building, due to fallen electrical wires, uprooted trees, damaged streets, broken gas lines or water mains, or any other damage that would impede the ability of an average adult to safely traverse a route home.

Before releasing a child, the following will be required of the adult to whom the child is released: Signature, Address, Destination, and Phone Number. Students should be released from the "Emergency Operations Center" (office), not by classroom teachers.

A copy of the Disaster Plan has been given to each employee in the District. There are copies on file in the school office for your review.

VISITING THE SCHOOL

As a safety precaution, all persons entering the school grounds must register at the school office and receive either a visitor or a volunteer badge. You are encouraged to visit your child's classroom with advanced permission from the teacher or from the principal. Visits should be no more than 15 minutes in length.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Traffic flow around our school during the day is of utmost concern because of the safety issues that it raises. Please follow these suggestions:

1. Valet Drop-off -7:45-8:10. In the morning, drop off your child in the drive-thru lane in front of the staff parking.
2. No parking is allowed in the drive-thru area. It is to be used for valet drop off only.
3. Drop your child off or pick them up at the back gate on Ocean view Avenue.
4. There are a very limited number of parking spaces on campus. Please park only in designated spots or safely along the street, where permitted. Do not park and leave your car in the drive thru lane at dismissal time.
5. Students should cross only at the crosswalks.

BICYCLES

It is recommended that only Fourth and Fifth graders ride bicycles to school. Bicycles are not allowed in the halls or on the playground before, during or after school. Children are to walk their bikes up the driveway to the bike racks, secure them with lock and chain, and go to the table area or the playground. There is to be no loitering near the bike racks. At the close of school, the bikes are to be walked down the driveway. As a reminder, all persons under the age of 18 are required by California law to wear an approved bicycle helmet when on street, bikeways or other public paths.

Bicycle riders who habitually break the safety rules will lose this privilege.

SKATES, SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS

These are not allowed at school.

PETS

No pets, of any kind, are allowed at school without permission. Teachers may give special permission for pets to be brought to school as part of a special display or activity. Under no circumstances is a potentially dangerous pet to be brought to school.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

To support our districts wellness policy, we encourage healthy treats, such as rice krispy bars, fresh fruit, and healthy beverages such as water, juice or milk. If you wish to share treats with your child's class, please contact the teacher at least a day in advance. Please bring treats for the entire class. It is inappropriate to bring lunch or treats for only certain students. We feel the classroom is not the appropriate place to distribute birthday invitations. Please do not ask the teacher to do this for you. Make arrangements to distribute invitations at a time other than school hours.

ATTENDANCE

ABSENCES

Each day of attendance is important to a child's academic growth. However, to protect your child's health and that of his /her classmates, no child should be sent to school with symptoms of illness. If you would like to request your child's homework, please do so before 10:00 am.

The California school law accepts only illness or medical appointments as a legal excuse for absence from school. The day of your child's absence from school for any reason, you may call the school office and report the absence to the attendance line at 562-907-6399. If the absence was not verified by phone, please send a written note with your child on the day of their return to school, stating the date of absence, reason, and signature of parent or guardian.

RELEASE OF STUDENT TO PARENT OR AUTHORIZED PERSON

If your child must be released from school before the end of the day, please send a note to his/her teacher stating time of release. Please report to the school office, sign the "Student Release Register" and a call to the classroom will notify the teacher that the student is to report to the office to be released. A child will be released to a parent or authorized person only; that is, an adult designated by the responsible parent on the Emergency Card on file at school. A child will only be released from the office, not the classroom.

CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE

RESPONSIBLE REASONING

Students are encouraged to be responsible for their own actions and to resolve personal conflicts through an effective system known as "Responsible Reasoning". This guideline is taught to the students in each classroom to help remind them to use positive strategies in dealing with unpleasant or undesired situations at school as well as at home.

1. IGNORE - Individuals choose to ignore situation rather than ignite further friction.
2. COMPROMISE - Both individuals "give a little" to find a middle ground.
3. TAKE TURNS - One individual goes first, the other second.
4. LISTEN - Hear the other side of the story.
5. TRADE - Exchange so that each has a turn.
6. SAY, "I'M SORRY" - You can say you are sorry without necessarily saying you are wrong.
7. TALK IT OVER - Children discuss their positions in the conflict and might be done to resolve it.
8. WALK AWAY - Move away from a situation which cannot be dealt with.
9. SHARE - Both decide to share for the benefit of both.
10. DO SOMETHING ELSE - Play another game, choose another activity to defuse the conflict.
11. ASK FOR HELP - Seek another's aid when the issue is too complex or heavy to handle.

STANDARDS OF DISCIPLINE

The following school rules are based on the concepts of safety and consideration of self and others. The aim at Ocean View is that they are applied consistently by all teachers for all students.

1. Students are expected to come to school prepared to learn.
2. Students will respect the rights of others to provide a positive learning environment.
3. The district can, and does, hold students accountable for their behavior from the time they leave their homes for school until they return to their homes from school. (Board Policy 5142, Ed Code 44807, 44808)
4. Students are to walk at all times when in the hall area and act appropriately when near other classrooms that are in session.
5. Students are to respect property that belongs to the school, others and themselves.
6. Students are to take special care to keep the school grounds clean and orderly.
7. Bicycles, skateboards, scooters and roller skates are not to be ridden on school grounds at any time. Skateboards, scooters, and roller skates are not be used as transportation to school for safety and monitoring reasons.
8. Students are expected to respect the authority of teachers and other school staff and follow directions without discussion. Student safety is a prime concern.
9. Gum chewing, eating seeds and spitting are not allowed at school.
10. Students are not to bring toys, candy, and carbonated drinks to school.
11. Cell phones must be turned off at school and kept in a purse, pocket or backpack.
12. Fighting, hitting, pushing, tripping, vulgar language, or any other activity that might be considered unsafe or undesirable will not be allowed.
13. No weapons or dangerous objects are allowed at school.

CLASSROOM RULES

1. Individual class rules/standards are posted in each classroom and reviewed periodically with students.
2. Although the consequences for violating classroom rules may vary slightly with each class, they may include, but are not limited to: name on board, warning, "time out," writing assignment, recess restriction, detention, parent contact/conference, sent to the principal.
3. Teachers may suspend children from class for any suspendable offense including the disruption of school activities and defiance. (Teachers will notify parents of all classroom suspensions.)
4. The California Administrative Code authorizes school districts to detain children after school for up to 60

minutes for disciplinary or other reasons. The East Whittier City School District policy regarding detention of pupils reads: "Pupils may be detained for discipline or other reasons for not more than one hour after the close of the maximum school day." Parents will be given prior notice so they can make arrangements for their child's transportation for any detention longer than ten minutes.

PLAYGROUND RULES

1. All injuries must be reported to a supervising adult. Children should inform the supervisor on duty when something is wrong with the playground or equipment.
2. Attempts to settle disputes between children should be done democratically using the "Responsible Reasoning Techniques" or taken to a playground supervisor for arbitration if those strategies are unsuccessful.
3. Balls are the only articles thrown on the playground and only to those who are expecting to receive them.
4. Footballs, softballs or balls being kicked are restricted to the grass area. Yellow balls, kick balls, and footballs are the only balls that may be kicked. All ball kicking must be directed away from the blacktop and only to a person expecting to receive it. Baseballs and hard balls are not allowed on the playground. The only non-school equipment that may be used is a baseball glove with soft "tennis-type" balls, nerf balls and jump ropes. (These personal items are brought to school at the student's own risk. The school cannot be held responsible for lost or stolen articles.) Play equipment must be kept out of the restrooms.
5. The duty teacher or noon supervisor may restrict the use of any play area or any game or activity he/she feels necessary for student safety.
6. Children may not leave the playground to go to the office without permission.
7. Children are not to be in the halls during recesses except to use the restroom or go to the library at lunch recess.
8. Only the designated equipment monitors are allowed to enter the equipment room.
9. At the bell ending recess, all play ends and students are to freeze, and then line up in their class appointed area. There are no drinks or use of the restroom after the bell without permission.

CONSEQUENCES

1. When a staff member determines that a violation of school rules has occurred:
 - a) A "Warning Slip" (pink) will be completed for minor infractions and the form given to the student's teacher, or
 - b) A "Behavior Report" (white slip) will be completed and given to the student's teacher for major infractions. (A teacher may convert a pink slip to a white slip for repeated minor offenses or at the teacher's discretion.)
2. Upon receipt of the "Warning Slip," the teacher will counsel with the student and review the appropriate rule and proper behavior. The white slip will be attached to a parent letter and be sent home with the student for a parent signature. The student is also assigned "time-out" or detention. (The maximum length of time a student will be assigned to recess restriction by a teacher or supervising aides will be one-half of a recess period.)
3. For fighting and other severe misbehavior the student will be sent directly to the office. The Principal will determine the appropriate consequence which may include one or more of the following: counseling, lunch restriction, detention, parent conference, Saturday School, or suspension.

DETENTION

Students are expected to complete classroom assignments on time. Incomplete work or unacceptable behavior on the part of a student may result in a detention period either during or after school hours, according to the discretion of the teacher.

SUSPENSION

In an effort to maintain a safe environment at Ocean View, students may be suspended for: causing or threatening to cause injury to another student; possession of any firearm, knife, explosive or other object of no reasonable use to the student at school; possession of a look-alike firearm; robbery or extortion; willful defiance of authority; damaging or stealing school property; or sale, use, or possession of any controlled substance. A complete list of suspendable offenses is listed in the Annual Notification to Parents which is mailed to all families.

POSITIVE CONSEQUENCES

1. Students who receive no out-of-class behavior reports and/or class checks will be eligible to participate in the monthly "Principal's Awards". One or two outstanding citizens in each class will be selected to receive this award. In addition to a certificate, each awarded student will receive a card, compliments of the PTA, entitling them to a free ice cream from the school cafeteria.
2. One or two additional students in each class will be recognized according to monthly themes, following John Wooden's pyramid of success. Students of the month will also be presented with a certificate of recognition and given ice cream compliments of the PTA.
3. Blue "Daily Dolphin" Awards can be issued by any staff member to any student observed being a good citizen for a day. These slips will be given to the student to be placed in the box /jar for a monthly drawing. The Principal will draw one name from each class each month to receive a prize from a "Treasure Chest". There is no limit to the number of Dolphin slips a student can earn and each one increases his/her chances of winning a prize.
4. Following the monthly drawing, the students will take the Dolphin slips home to share with their parents.

LEADERSHIP CLUB

To encourage positive leadership and student involvement, the school has a Leadership Club composed of fifth and fourth graders. It is an honor to be selected as a member of leadership club; they are chosen for their qualities of responsibility, leadership, and relationships with other students and adults.

The role of Leadership Club is to help with Monday Morning Assemblies, plan school event days, and promote school spirit. Students in Leadership Club are expected to set a good example for other students, and to follow all school rules.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

One or two students in each class will be recognized according to the monthly themes listed below.

SEPTEMBER - HARD WORK AND ENTHUSIASM, Think of something you really want to achieve, set a goal, and work hard every day to reach it.

OCTOBER - FRIENDSHIP, Make this a month for strong friendships! Focus on being trustworthy, respectful, and kind.

NOVEMBER - LOYALTY AND COOPERATION, Be a loyal and cooperative classmate.

DECEMBER - SELF CONTROL, Stay on top of your work this month! Set a goal to finish your homework by a specific time each day and stick to it.

JANUARY - ALERTNESS AND ACTION, Use your agenda to help you stay alert! Keep track of what's coming up and what needs to get done.

FEBRUARY - DETERMINATION, This month, focus your efforts on one thing that you want to do well. Be determined and do a fantastic job.

MARCH - FITNESS AND SKILL, Choose one new skill that you have always wanted to learn. Make it a goal to start learning that skill by the end of the month.

APRIL - TEAM SPIRIT, This month, make it your goal to create a strong team atmosphere in your class.

MAY - POISE AND CONFIDENCE, Tell yourself every day that you are a special, important person.

JUNE - PERSONAL BEST, Be on a quest for your personal best - this month and always!

ACADEMICS

HOMEWORK

The board of Education of the East Whittier City School District believes that homework is an integral part of the total instructional program. Its purpose is to reinforce previous learning, develop independent study skills, and

encourage parent involvement in the instructional process. Homework should constitute an extension of the learning situation of the school day.

PARENT CONFERENCES

Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled two times a year. To obtain a more complete picture of your child's ability and progress, you are encouraged to confer with your child's teacher during the scheduled conferencing periods.

REPORT CARDS

Three times a year, after the end of each trimester, a report card is sent home with your child. In this report, competency in subject matter, growth in work habits, and citizenship is reported, as well as progress towards meeting California State Standards in language arts and math.

STUDENT SERVICES

SUPPORT STAFF

Several members of the Ocean View staff lend support to the classroom teachers, principal, and parents with their particular skills. Following are their responsibilities:

Learning Specialist: Coordinates activities and materials for students. Assist staff members in planning for students who need extra assistance and administers diagnostic tests. As school improvement coordinator, the learning specialist provides guidance for development and clarification of various school programs. Assists in development, implementation, and evaluation of our school plan. Functions as textbook and site test coordinator as well as bilingual coordinator.

Resource Specialist Teachers: Provide special education services to students in the Learning Center. Functions as consultants for classroom management and provides supplemental instructional materials for classrooms. Coordinates special education programs with classroom work.

School Psychologist: Provides individual student assessments to identify aptitude for school success, academic achievement, perceptual skills, and social and emotional functioning at the request of parents and staff. Conferences with parents and represents the child as his/her advocate in meetings that a parent or representative is unable to attend. Provides consultation to parents and teachers and facilitates student placement in special education programs.

Speech/Language Specialist: Provides individual student assessments to determine articulation, voice problems, fluency, hearing, oral language, and understanding of spoken language at request of parents and staff. Conferences with parents to determine whether or not child should be enrolled in the speech/language program.

Counselor: Works with small groups of students in areas of need.

HEALTH SERVICES

The nurses office is entered through the school office. District nurses are on rotation; therefore, nurse's aides and school personnel are on duty various times and days of the week. A child who becomes ill or is injured at school will be sent to the nurse's office. If the child appears to be too ill to remain at school or has an above-normal temperature, a parent or a person designated on the child's Emergency Procedure Card will be called.

MEDICATION

If a child requires medication during the school day, forms showing the need for this medication, completed and signed by the child's doctor, must be on file in the nurse's office. All required medication must be labeled with the

child's name, prescription number, names of the prescribing physician and dispensing druggist, and the dosage (as to amount and time) to be administered. If the medication is for a specific situation only, this must be indicated on the identifying label. All medication must be kept in the nurse's office. No child may take ANY type of medication (prescription OR over-the-counter medications) on his or her own. If a parent wishes to administer medicine to their child, they must check in at the office. The office will call the child to come to the office for the procedure.

LIBRARY SERVICES

The Ocean View Library is located in the Media Center. Students visit the library with their class on a weekly basis. Library cards are issued to students after the parent has signed a permission card. The card entitles kindergarten through third graders to check out one book each for two weeks; fourth and fifth graders may check out two books for the same period of time. Books are renewable. With the card, the student accepts responsibility for the books in his/her possession. If a book is damaged or lost, the child must pay for its replacement.

Students are expected to talk quietly in the library and to behave in an orderly manner. Adult volunteers are at the check-out table during the scheduled class time to assist children when needed. New computers have been added to provide students with research opportunities. Our library has been modernized with a computerized check-out system. Parents may check out books to take home for their child's enjoyment.

COMPUTER LAB

Sharing space with the library in the Media Center, the Computer Lab consists of IBM compatible computers/software. In addition to receiving instruction on computers, students participate in computer activities designed for enrichment and/or reinforcement of learning. Such activities may include skill building, problem solving, and simulations in various content areas.

INSURANCE

Personal property of students, such as musical instruments, bicycles, computers, cell phones, lunch boxes, etc., which are either lost, stolen, or damaged at school are NOT covered by District insurance. These items are brought to school at your own risk.

All claims for lost, stolen, or damaged personal property of a student must be submitted to your own insurance company or be absorbed by you, the parent. The East Whittier City School District must reject all claims involving personal property losses of students.

The majority of school accidents are not a District liability, and it becomes most important that you consider an accident policy to reimburse the family for medical expenses resulting from a school-connected accident. Your help in teaching safety attitudes will be greatly appreciated.

PARENT PARTICIPATION

CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS

Parent volunteers play a vital role in the overall academic development of students. The involvement of parents enables these students to be given special help in weak or problem areas and given additional positive reinforcement to others.

Volunteering is an excellent way to be involved in your child's learning experience. Volunteers are recruited during Back to School Night each year. If you miss this sign-up period, inform the teacher you are available and would like to take an active part in your child's education.

Following are examples of volunteering roles at Ocean View:

Room Parents - sign up sheets for this position are sent home in the PTA newsletter the previous year. Room parents assist teachers in recruiting helpers for the classroom (planning parties and aiding in actual classwork) and at the school activities.

Art Docents - art presentations are given to each grade level five times a year. With the PTA sponsored "Meet the Maters" program. Art docent help the teachers with the art projects related to the assembly.

Garden Docents - assist classes in our garden.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

The PTA supports many of the social and educational activities for the students, field trips, science assemblies, reading programs, and the annual events are just a few of the projects PTA organizes at the beginning of each school year. The school library utilizes volunteers, and library materials are purchased yearly with PTA funds. The parents work very closely with the staff in providing these many "extras" for all students at our school.

Parents are encouraged to support PTA through annual membership drive in September. The Back to School Night, also in September, is a good time to meet your child's teacher, sign up to help in the classrooms, meet room parents, and staff.

All information regarding PTA activities is published in the "Ocean View Wave", a bi-monthly newsette. It helps keep parents and students informed of school happenings. The monthly PTA meetings are also published in the newsette. The day and time are planned to accommodate as many parents as possible. The meetings are open to everyone! It is a great time to express your interests in education and learn more about Ocean View. Keep up to date by attending each monthly meeting.

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL (SSC)

This group of volunteer parents and staff monitors the School Based Coordinated Program (SPCP), a program funded by the State for the improvement of academic skills. The council meets approximately 10 times throughout the school year to deal with curriculum, innovative programs, and budget.

SPECIAL EVENINGS

Various evening programs are planned throughout the school year. Some examples are as follows:

Back to School Night These nights, for parents only, are held shortly after school opens and gives parents a chance to meet their child's teacher, ask any questions they might have, and become acquainted with the classroom materials. It gives the teacher an opportunity to meet parents and tell them about the child's daily schedule and activities in school. The PTA room parents introduce themselves and explain volunteer work that can be done by parents.

Open House This is a family evening near the end of the school year when each classroom is open to visitors to talk with the teachers and see classroom projects on display. Children are given the opportunity to show off their classroom to family and friends.

Family Fun Night This is a PTA sponsored evening where food is available to purchase. Raffle baskets are bid on for the purpose of charitable contribution.

Dive Into Reading Picnic An end of the year event to celebrate the children's progress in reading in the past year. The East Whittier Middle School Jazz Band performs for our entertainment pleasure.

DAILY SCHEDULE

SCHOOL HOURS (M, W, Th, F)

Kindergarten a.m.	8:05 - 11:25
Kindergarten p.m.	11:30 - 2:50
Grades 1 - 5	8:10 - 2:25

SCHOOL HOURS (Tuesday only)

Kindergarten a.m.	8:05 - 11:25
Kindergarten p.m.	9:45 - 1:25
Grades 1 - 5	8:10 - 1:25

LUNCH PERIODS

1st Grade	11:35 - 12:15
2 nd and 3rd Grade	11:55 - 12:35
4th and 5th Grade	12:15 - 12:55

Lunch at kindergarten is optional.

A.M. Kindergartners may eat after school from 11:25 - 11:45. P.M. kindergartners may eat before school from 11:10 - 11:30.

RAINY DAY SCHEDULE

Kindergarten a.m. 11:25 - children who buy lunch will be picked up to eat in the cafeteria
Kindergarten p.m. 11:30 - children who buy lunch will be escorted to their classrooms.
(If it rains on Tuesday, then students will eat from 11:25 - 11:55)

Rooms 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, & 34 11:25 - 11:55
Rooms 27, 28, and 34 eat in cafeteria

Rooms 12, 13, 14, 15, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 12:00 - 12:30
Rooms 12, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 eat in cafeteria

Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 12:35 - 1:05
Rooms 9, 10, 11 eat in cafeteria

EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

STUDENT DRESS AND GROOMING STANDARDS FOR EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

In keeping with the philosophy of the Board of Trustees, Board Policies 5432 and 5126 and goal of preparing students to be successful in the working world, East Whittier City School District specifically prohibits the following items of dress:

1. Any article of clothing related to gang/crew attire. This includes bandannas, hats, initialed belt buckles with gang/crew symbols, and other gang/crew apparel. No patches or symbols that symbolize violence. Long webbed belts hanging down in front are prohibited. No white "ribbed" tank top undershirts or white T-shirts.
2. Shorts below the knee with socks pulled up to pant line.
3. Jewelry or accessories that could cause injury including but not limited to chains, rings, pins, and spiked accessories.
4. No body piercing.
5. Oversized and/or unhemmed pants. Pants that will not stay on at the waist without a belt are considered oversized. No pants worn below the waist that expose undergarments.
6. Any clothing or school materials including backpacks that contain inappropriate language, advertising alcohol, drugs, tobacco, sexually explicit material, tagging, violence or illegal activity.
7. Caps/knit or other hats and sunglasses (unless required for health reasons or sun protection) All other headgear is prohibited. (bandannas, headbands, hairnets, etc.)
8. Immodest clothing: Midriffs, halter tops, tank tops, short shorts, see-through blouses, low neck lines, or open back tops. Also, any top, which exposes bra straps, is inappropriate. No torn clothing such as pants, nylons, shorts, etc. No altering of clothing (tearing, cutting, pinning, or stapling, etc.) is acceptable.
9. No mesh jerseys or shirts with or without logos. No professional team shirts. College logos are allowed.
10. Shorts providing modesty are acceptable for school. Mesh shorts, short-shorts, or cut-off frayed shorts/pants are not acceptable. No shorts worn below the waist that expose under garments. Bib type attire must be worn with straps up.
11. Hooded sweatshirts must be worn with hoods down. In inclement weather, hoods may be worn up while outside.
12. Sleepwear is not acceptable.
13. Hair and/or makeup: Excessive makeup is not acceptable. Hair must be clean and well groomed. The coloring and/or style of a student's hair or make-up may not be unnatural, bizarre, or extravagant and may not disrupt instruction and learning. If there is a problem, the parent will be notified and the student will be sent home.
14. All students will wear appropriate and safe footwear to school. Thongs, soft-soled moccasin, backless shoes, and steel-toed shoes are not acceptable.

The East Whittier City School District is committed to providing a safe and secure campus so that students are free to learn. The intent of the Dress and Grooming Standards policy is to alert all parents and students prior to the purchase of clothing. The principal retains the right to modify this policy to ensure a safe campus for all students.