



CITY TERRACE ELEMENTARY

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NEWSLETTER (October 2022)

Principal's Messages

HEALTH & SAFETY

HAND, FOOT, and MOUTH DISEASE (HFMD)

We have a few classes with students who experienced Hand, Foot, and Mouth disease (HFMD). This is a common viral illness that normally affects infants and children younger than 5 years old, but adult cases may occur. Symptoms may include fever, sores in the mouth, and a rash with blisters.

HFMD begins with a mild fever, sore throat, loss of appetite, and feeling sick. These symptoms of HFMD usually appear 3-5 days after initial exposure and infection. About 1-2 days after fever begins, small red spots develop in the mouth that may turn into blisters or ulcers. Not everyone with HFMD has all these symptoms.

NOTIFICATION: Per district guidelines, we sent notifications of HFMD to parents if the individual class has two or more confirmed cases. **Note**: School staff, including the school nurse, cannot confirm or diagnose the disease. We are asking parents to please take the students to a physician for a thorough checkup. Only a licensed physician and/or doctor can confirm/diagnose whether the students have HFMD.

What can we do to prevent getting or spreading HFMD?

- Washing hands often with soap and water, especially after using the restroom.
- Cleaning frequently touched surfaces.
- Avoiding close contact with people who have HFMD.

DROP OFF/PICK UP

We've noticed more and more parents are dropping off and/or picking up their children while parked in the middle of City Terrace Drive. This is extremely dangerous and causes serious traffic congestion. Several parents have been asking the school to bring back the valet program. To start the program, volunteers are needed. Until then, we are asking ALL parents to please support with the following:

- Pull over to the curbside to drop off and pick up your child. **Please do NOT get off and drop off or pick up your child in the middle of the street on City Terrace Drive** – this is blocking the traffic off Eastern and City Terrace Drive. (It is also very dangerous for both you and your child).
- Students should not cross the street by themselves, especially on City Terrace Drive.
- Please do NOT make a U-Turn right on City Terrace Drive. – drive all the way to the end of the cul-de-sac and turn back.
- Do not block the crosswalk (park in red).
- SLOW DOWN when you are driving on City Terrace Drive.

Please **be patient** as other parents, just like you, want to make sure their children get to school safely and on time.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

We will resume our Parent Volunteer Program this year. Volunteers will support us with valet parking, special events, and preparing packets and materials for teachers in the parent center. If you are interested, please pick up an application from the main office. Questions? There will be a Volunteer Information meeting on Friday, 10/14/2022 in the parent cent. Please join us!



Media Release Form

We will be taking pictures during the Fall Festival parade. Without the Media release form, we will not be able to post pictures on our website. So, if you have not yet turned it in, please pick up the form from the office or download it from our website. Please turn in the form no later than October 24, 2022.

HALLOWEEN TREATS

Please be reminded that Candy is NOT allowed at school (especially lollipops!) If you would like to bring treats for the class, the items must be individually wrapped. Teachers will distribute the treats at the end of the day.

FUN FRIDAY!

We had our very first Fun Friday, celebrating students who were here on time between 9/5 to 9/30. Our next Fun Friday will be on Friday, 11/4. We will celebrate students who are here on time between **10/10 to 10/31**.
On Time = Arrive at school BEFORE 8:00 a.m.



PHONES AND SMARTWATCHES

As a reminder, students do not need cell phones and/or Smartwatches during school hours. If they must bring these devices to school, the devices must be turned off and stored in their backpack.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please visit our website:

<https://cityterraceelementary.weebly.com/school-calendar.html> for any upcoming school events, meetings, and special schedules.

10/13 – Fire Drill

10/20—Great Shakeout Drill

10/26 – Picture makeup day

10/28 – Minimum day / Fall Festival

Reminder: **Tuesday's dismissal is at 1:30 p.m.**



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Phone number: 323-269-0581

Facebook: @CityTerraceElementary

Instagram: @cityterraceeslausd

Website: <https://cityterraceelementary.weebly.com/>

Class Dojo: also, be sure to check the announcement under “City Terrace Elementary”

