



Colt News

Continental Elementary School Newsletter

October 2019



Principal's Message

Happy Fall Colt Families!

It is hard to believe that the 1st quarter of school is already coming to a close. So much has been accomplished thus far by our diligent hard working students. Thank you for attending parent teacher conferences and engaging in great conversations with your child's teacher(s). Also, thank you for attending board meetings, parent teacher conferences, parent meetings, athletic events, and various other activities that have taken place. We greatly appreciate your support.

As we head into the month of October we have many events that will be taking place. Walk to School Day coordinated by the fabulous Mrs. Teso will be on October 2nd. Builders Club will be doing a \$1 or more donation to wear a hat to school on Walk to School Day benefiting *Heavenly Hats Foundation*, which donates brand new headwear to cancer patients and hospitals all around the United States.

The 2019 PTC Walk-A-Thon will be taking place on Friday October 4th which is also a half day, with a noon dismissal.

The end of 1st quarter heads straight into fall break October 7th-11th. We hope that you all have a great week off and enjoy family time and making good memories.

Quarter 2 begins on Monday, October 14th. That evening is the monthly Board Meeting at 6PM where we will be recognizing students nominated for Colt of the Month and Perfect Attendance. Picture retakes will take place Friday, October 18th. Also, on October 18th our amazing PTC will be putting on a Trunk or Treat event from 5:30-7:30PM in the preschool parking lot. We hope to see you all there!

We will be closing out the month of October with the White Elephant Parade, Open Houses and an ELL parent dinner & workshop. Please make sure to be on the lookout for flyers and reminders on the aforementioned events as well as other events that will be taking place this month.

Let's have another great month and please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions, ideas, or concerns. I am always happy to hear from you!

Your Principal, *Mrs. Cuevas*

Superintendent's Corner

Happy Fall Amazing Colt Families,

Thank you to all who participated in parent conferences. Middle school students should be taking home a data sheet to review with you on their progress and goals for the year. Please make sure to ask about the data form, review with your son/daughter, sign and return to school.

It is imperative that students know their data and establish improvement goals for the year and that you support them in their goals for the year. Thank you in advance for your continued support of your children.

IXL is up and running and we encourage students to log into IXL at least three times a week to practice their ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies skills. IXL is an approved researched based program that has proved to be beneficial in closing the achievement gap and in providing extended learning opportunities for students in need of enrichment, who are ready to move beyond their current grade level standards.

Here is how we are doing in IXL as a school. You can see your child's individual progress when they log into the program. Keep up the GREAT WORK colts!



Parent Advisory- coming soon! After Parent Conferences, teachers have submitted recommendations for possible Parent Advisory and Student Advisory members. I will be following up with existing Parent Advisory members as well as those who have been recommended and those that have expressed interest in being a part of our Parent Advisory Group. If you are interested in being a part of this group please call or email Monica Molina at 520 625-4581 ext. 7304 or monica.molina@csd39.org This committee will meet monthly from October to April to discuss daily operations, review parent climate surveys and provide suggestions to administration, in order to enhance communication, teaching and learning at Continental. Our 1st meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 23rd from 5:00-6:30 p.m. in our Community Room.**

Have a great October and please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, suggestions or compliments on how the year is going and how your child(ren) are progressing.

Your Proud Superintendent,
Ms. Roxana Rico

Nutrition Announcements

*Water keeps you alert! Sip from a water bottle or stop by the fountain.

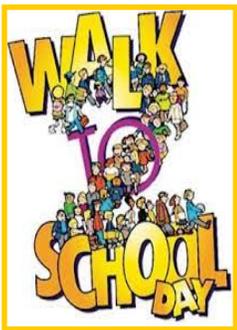


*Breakfast is brain food. Make sure you eat breakfast every day at home or at our school breakfast program.

Physical Activity Announcements

*Try getting creative with your exercise. Build an obstacle course with activities such as hopping, reaching, pulling and racing.

*Take a hike. Hiking is a great way to explore new places and bond with friends and family.



Walk to School Day
Wednesday, Oct. 2nd

Students and families meet at the entrance to Madera Reserve right off White House Canyon Road at 7:30am—7:40am

and walk on the north sidewalk to our school.



PTC Walk-a-Thon
Will be on Friday,
October 4th
Begins at 8am



Parents we understand and respect the precautions taken to ensure the safety of your child when it comes to having

them wear watches in which you can contact them. We ask that calls are not made during class time as it is distracting to the classroom learning environment. If you need to check in on your student we kindly ask that you contact the front office. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Join us for Donuts & Dialogue on Friday, November 15th! Parents, Community Members and Staff are invited to dialogue with the Superintendent, Principal & Preschool Director. The gathering will be an opportunity for interactive conversation on a variety of school-related topics. We will gather in the Community Room from 7:45am-9am. Hope to see you there!



Dear Colt Families,

I can't believe 1st quarter is nearly in the books! Small groups have taken off and are on to a great start! Small group topics this semester include: stress management, self-esteem/behavior, changing families, and friendship.

I have been enjoying coming into classrooms to teach our "Cool Tool" Counseling lessons. Topics for class lessons include: Kelso's Choices for Conflict Resolution, Bucket Filling and Being Kind, Effective Communication and Whole Body Listening. I am happy to say that all classroom pods have the Kelso's Choice posters up for student use along with many of the posters displayed throughout the school like the office, cafeteria, library, and middle school halls. This will help ensure students are pulling from the 9 choices Kelso teaches them to help solve a small problem. If there is a big problem, they need to tell an adult. For more information, please visit: <https://kelsoschoice.com>

Our 2nd Colt Store was a success! Don't forget that the last Friday of the month will be reserved for the Colt Store during student's lunch times. Students collecting their Colt Bucks can turn them in for prizes! Students can decide if they want to turn in all of them for a prize or continue saving up for a bigger prize too. They earn Colt Bucks for following our 3 school expectations: Be Safe, Be Kind, and Be Responsible. Having conversations with your child throughout the week about how they are earning Colt Bucks is a terrific way to stay connected with school and how your child is doing by following those 3 expectations.

If you have any donations for the Colt Store, things like but not limited to: pencils, erasers, mini notepads and journals, water bottle stickers, gift cards, bracelets, mini toys (recycled Happy Meal toys for example in good condition) please bring them to the front office before the Colt Store on Fridays. If you want to be a Colt Store volunteer, please contact the office.

I am so happy that Fall is finally here and am ready for some cooler temps! I hope that you all have a fun and relaxful Fall Break with family and friends. We will see you ready and recharged for a great academic 2nd quarter!

Kind Regards,
Kris Godfryt, M.S.
School Counselor



Dates to remember

- Oct. 2 - Walk to School
- Oct. 2 - Governing Board Executive Session
- Oct. 3 - PTC General Meeting
- Oct. 4 - PTC Walk a Thon
- Oct. 4 - End of 1st Quarter/Early Dismissal
- Oct. 7-11 - Fall Break No School
- Oct. 14 - Board Meeting 6pm
- Oct. 18 - Picture Retakes
- Oct. 18 - PTC Trunk or Treat
- Oct. 23 - Early Release Wednesday
- Oct. 23 - 1st Quarter Sports Assembly
- Oct. 24 - Elementary Open House 4-6p.m.
- Oct. 24 - ELL Dinner and Workshop 6-7p.m.
- Oct. 25 - Colt Buck Store/Birthday Books
- Oct. 26 - White Elephant Parade
- Oct. 30 - Colt of the Month Assembly
- Oct. 30 - MS Open House 4-5:30p.m.
- Oct. 31 - Halloween

