

Fuller G/T Magnet Elementary School
Principal's Page
January 22, 2007



Dear Parents:

It is difficult to believe that we've made it to the halfway mark in the school year. Since the start of the school year, our students have been making such strides, which are sometimes difficult to measure in a day, but over a span of a few months, the growth is much clearer. The writing in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades reflects much more elaborate thought, the 1st and 2nd grade students are reading more fluently, and most of kindergarten students can successfully open ketchup packets and milk cartons, and they can make it through the day without needing a nap.

Over the past few weeks, we haven't been our usual selves. When we are in "elective down" schedule, this gives specialists and classroom teachers a different kind of time with students. Its funny how having specials only makes the building so drastically different. As I continue the process of magnet recruitment and talk with interested families about what makes Fuller different, I try to explain the unique spin of our elective program and how it builds academic and social resiliency in students. But I know it's very difficult for them to imagine. I guess you just have to see it.

Electives

We start our 3rd quarter electives today. The elective team worked very diligently to accommodate the students' request and Ms. Woodward was very responsive to any change requests that she received. Thank you for your cooperation through the registration process.

Fuller Family Night

Please make every attempt to make it to Fuller Family Night on Friday. Students are permitted to stay after school if you complete a permission form and send it to your child's teacher. We will prepare a taco dinner and students will watch a movie in the gym while parents and teachers discuss balanced literacy, parental support, and the AG process. Our first Fuller Family Night in October was an enormous success. Let's do a repeat performance!

Report Cards

Student report cards will be sent home next Monday. Please carefully review your child's grade and the teacher's comments. If you have any questions, please direct them to your child's teacher by telephone or email and please respect teacher's time by the courtesy of requesting a conference if necessary, as opposed to showing up at school unannounced. Also, please know that the teachers' schedules are very demanding and that they will aim to respond to your concerns within 24 hours.

Magnet Recruitment

We are in the final stages of magnet recruitment. Thanks for all you do to market our program. If your neighbors ask, we have openings at every grade level.

Dates to Remember

January 22nd

January 25th

January 28th

February 8th

3rd Quarter Electives Begin

Fuller Family Night

Report Cards

Early Release