## MABEL HOGGARD MAGNET SCHOOL

## Home of the Challengers



Principal: TBD

Assistant Principal: Janice Lewandowski September 18, 2014

# Welcome Back to School! We Are iMazing!



Dear Families:

Welcome to the 2014-2015 school year! This new year brings some changes to our school community. We had to say good-bye to our iMazing principal, Dr. Celese Rayford, who was appointed principal at Brinley MS in August. We will miss Dr. Rayford 's guidance, wisdom, and ceaseless devotion to the students, staff, and community of Mabel Hoggard Magnet School. We wish Dr. Rayford much happiness and satisfaction in her new position.

With Dr. Rayford's appointment to middle school, there is an obvious hole to fill at the principal helm. The school district has advertised the open position and interviews are now occurring with those candidates who have been chosen—myself included. As of this writing, the interview process will continue most likely through the end of September with the position filled by early October. During this month we have a substitute administrator, Mrs. Patricia Greene, assisting us. Mrs. Greene is a retired CCSD principal. We welcome Mrs. Greene to our school community and thank her for her assistance!

In addition to the administration changes that are occurring, I am very pleased to announce that our school earned FIVE STARS  $\star\star\star\star\star$  again on the Nevada School Performance Framework! This honor happened because of the drive, determination, and devotion of everyone involved with Mabel Hoggard Magnet School—from our iMazingly exceptional teachers and support staff, to our iMazing students, to you, our parents and families, who are predominantly involved with your child's education. Thank you!

As with each September Newsletter, please review the pertinent information as it relates to school and district procedures. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Ms. Janice Lewandowski Assistant Principal





Mrs. Patricia Greene, Sub Administrator Mrs. Marilyn Haynes Instructional Assistant

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## **BACK TO SCHOOL REMINDERS**

Parents/Guardians,

Please make sure your child knows if he/she will ride the bus or be picked up after school, and the pick-up location, such as in front or at

the back of the school, or in the main office. Messages will only be given in case of an emergency. \*Please note

emergency messages are given only at 3:00 pm.



#### Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

Arrival and dismissal procedures are provided to maintain the safety of students. The bus lanes are located in the front parking lot. We request that parents not enter this area between the hours of 8:00- 9:00 a.m. or 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.. Students that ride their bikes to school are permitted in this area since the bike rack is located near the bus lanes.

We are requesting that the KIDS program and Kindergarten parents/guardians pick-up and drop off their child at the kindergarten playground.

Parents, please do not drop your students off at school any earlier than 8:00 a.m. There is no supervision before this time to protect your child in case of an emergency. Also, all students must be picked up

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from the office by 3:30 p.m. **NEW FOR 2014-2015:** All students <u>must</u> be registered for SafeKey in case of an emergency situation and you are not able to pick up your child by 3:30 p.m. Please notify the school office immediately in the event that you will be late (after 3:30 p.m.) in picking up your child.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Student attendance at school every day is very important at the elementary level. Students are usually not at fault when they miss school or arrive to school tardy. Parents, please teach your child two very important life skills:

1. Responsibility - to make appropriate choices to come to school unless ill, and 2. Punctuality - being on time. It's just as important for students to arrive to school on time as it is for adults to arrive to work on time. If your child is ill, please phone the school office or send a note when your child returns explaining the reason for the absence. If your child arrives late to school, he/she must stop in the school office and sign in. New for 2014-2015: Every student's attendance in class, and time and days missed, excused or unexcused, are accounted for in the new Infinite Campus System this year.

## Safety(Hild ID Program

According to sources, 2000 plus children are reported lost, missing, or separated from their parents every day in the United States. Only 3% of parents can provide authorities ALL of the vital information needed immediately in an emergency. The SafetyChild ID packages offer a variety of IDs to meet every need and budget. SafteyChild will be at our school on Tuesday, September 30, to photograph, fingerprint, and obtain vital information to create ID cards. Additional information about fees will be sent later. Please note that the school is offering this as a community service.



### BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Breakfast is served daily between 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. for \$1.25. Lunch may be purchased for \$2.00 and milk \$0.25. We encourage parents to prepay for breakfast and/or lunch by going online @ www.MYSCHOOLBUCKS.com or by paying in the multipurpose room during the breakfast hours noted above. To apply for free or reduced priced meals, complete an application for your family online @ www.applyforlunch.com or obtain a paper application from our Kitchen Manager, Dana Veasley. If you applied last year, you need to reapply for this year by October 1, 2014. \*Please note that no parent or adult bringing students to school may stay in the multipurpose room during the breakfast hour and sit or eat with their child. Food items may only be purchased for students of Mabel Hoggard Magnet School.

#### First Lunch (Grades 1 & 2)

11:05- 11:20 Students play outside

11:20- 11:40 Students eat lunch

#### Second Lunch (Grades 3 & 4)

11:40- 11:55 Students play outside

11:55- 12:15 Students eat lunch

#### Third Lunch (KIDS/Kindergarten & 5)

12:15- 12:30 Students play outside

12:30- 12:50 Students eat lunch



## School Webstore!

Mabel Hoggard Magnet has an online Webstore this year. You are able to use your debit or credit card to pay for lab donations, purchase yearbooks, school t-shirts, field trip fees, donate to our programs and much more. You can click on the link located on the bottom of our school website or visit our Webstore at <a href="https://www.Hoggardwebstore.com">www.Hoggardwebstore.com</a>. Please follow the instructions below:

## First Time Login Instructions

Parents - Log directly into your student's account by entering the following information in the username & password fields on the left:

Username = Student ID# Password = first initial & last name Example: John Smith = jsmith Adam Jones-Santos = ajones-santos



If you have multiple students at our school or questions about the login process please click for login help on the left.

# **Magnet School Applications**

Magnet School Applications will be available on-line beginning Oct. 2, 2014. For frequently asked questions and school information visit http://magnet.ccsd.net

Applications are due by 3:00 p.m. on January 8, 2015.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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| 9/19      | PTSA Family Movie Night—6:00-8:00 p.m. MP Room                    |
| 9/25      | PTSA General Meeting 3:30-4:30 p.m. MPR                           |
| 10/2      | Magnet Schools Recruitment Fair: Pearson Center 5:00-7:00 p.m.    |
| 10/3      | PTSA Spaghetti Dinner Read-A-Thon Kickoff MPR 5:00 p.m.           |
| 10/4      | Magnet Schools Recruitment Fair: Meadows Mall 10:00 a.m 4:00 p.m. |
| 10/7-10/9 | 5th Grade Mt. Charleston Leadership Camp                          |
| 10/22     | Fall School Pictures  |
| 10/30     | World Dance Festival 9:00-10:30 a.m. Playground                   |
| 10/31     | NO SCHOOL—Nevada Day Observed                                     |
| 11/3-11/4 | NO SCHOOL—Staff Development Days                                  |

# Safety Information

The Clark County School District suggests the following precautionary measures for parents and their children. Parents are urged to have frank discussions with their children about the following:

- 1. Teach your child, regardless of age, their full name, address, and phone number.
- 2. Explain the dangers of being abducted and/or molested.
- 3. Explain that private parts of their body should not be touched by anyone, and if that happens, to report it immediately.
- 4. Police officers are to be trusted for help; explain that police can always be identified by their marked car or motorcycle and their uniform.
- 5. Emphasize the importance of staying close to a parent, relative, or friend when away from home.
- 6. Explain the importance of noticing and remembering identifying characteristics of strangers, such as their height, hair, eye color, voice quality, clothes, and unusual marks. Also stress the importance of remembering the vehicle description, such as color, size, and license plate number.
- 7. Stress the importance of protesting and running away if a stranger tries to take your child/children somewhere.
- 8. Never accept candy, money, or gifts from strangers.
- 9. Never go into a garage, shed, or alley with a stranger.
- 10. Never get into a car with a stranger. If a stranger asks for directions, be polite but do not go near the vehicle. If a stranger gets out of his/her vehicle, run away immediately.
- 11. Parents should occasionally accompany their child/children to school and monitor the area they are traveling.
- 12. Parents should know who their child/children normally walk to school with and the route they normally take.

