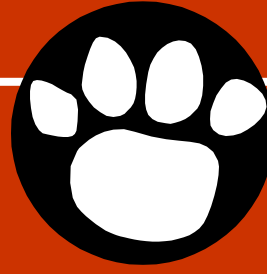


# Paw Prints



GRANT ELEMENTARY

SEPTEMBER 2009

## From the Principal—Mrs. Anderson

Dear Grant Parents and Community,

Thanks for a wonderful start of the 2009-2010 school year. The Grant staff is so excited work with your students! Our dedicated staff supports the academic achievement of each and every child. We are proud of our caring family atmosphere and our strong academic program. We appreciate your efforts in sending your students to school on time and ready to learn.

This year one of our school wide goals is to increase daily attendance to 95% or above. We ask your cooperation in bringing your student to school everyday on time. If at all possible, appointments should be made before or after school. Please call our attendance line, 328-5712, if your student will be absent.

Every Friday each Grant student will be bringing home a Friday Folder. We hope this will help improve communication between school and home. Also, each student second through fifth grade has been given a planner. Please ask your student about their planner. It will have information about homework and future assignments.

There are many opportunities to get involved at Grant Elementary. We are proud of our active PTA; we welcome parent volunteers in our classrooms, and are in need of members to serve on the Building Accountability and Achievement Committee (BAAC). If you are interested in volunteering on the PTA, the BAAC or in the classrooms, please call 328-5700.

Other important reminders:

- Students may arrive for breakfast at 7:25 am. Supervision on the playground begins at 7:45 am. Students should not be on the playground before 7:45 am.
- MAP testing begins September 14<sup>th</sup> for second through fifth grade.
- Let the office know if you have a change in contact information or address.
- Homework is important! We expect homework to be completed and returned in a timely manner!
- All visitors must check in at the office.
- Medication cannot be given at school without a student medication form. You can pick one up in the office if you need one.
- Free and reduced lunch forms are available in the office.
- Newsletters will go home in the Friday Folders for the months of November, January, March, and May.

You will receive a phone call by the automated system for all unexcused tardies and absences.

We look forward to another great year at Grant!

Respectfully,

Veronica Anderson and the Grant Staff

**R**esponsibility

**O**n-task

**A**+ Attitude

**R**espect