

McCarty Elementary School – MISSION POSSIBLE!
2006 Illinois Honor Roll School Academic Achievement Award Winner

Chuck Wagon Chatter

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****No School on Friday, January 16th and Monday, January 19th ****

CHARACTER COUNTS! EVERYWHERE ALL THE TIME!

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As a community our Mustangs earned 13,299 CC! points during the month of December. The children's commitment to build strong positive character truly inspires me on a daily basis to strive to be the best principal I can be for them.

Congratulations to the following classes on earning the Classroom with Character Award for the month of December:

Ms. Sessions	K	Ms. Grommon	1 st grade	Ms. Soldana	2 nd grade
Ms. Lobo	3 rd grade	Ms. Cameron	4 th grade	Ms. Voss	5 th grade

The students were recognized by their teacher and peers with the December Citizenship Award:

KH	Makenna Black	KL	Bhavneet Grover	KM	Kara Kendzora
KS	Sydney Specht	KSW	Jessica Li	1E	Jack Angus
1G	Devin Pyla	1GR	Fabian Correa	1O	Eric Chen
1S	Nicholas Penev	2J	Mandy Gonzalez	2M	Kyle Chu
2S	Trupti Sadigale	2O	Natalie Tlustochowski		
3C	Inshal Haque	3L	Abby Dallessandro	3LO	Ishaan Gupta
3S	Mike Kerivan	4AL	Daniel Douglas	4A	Kayla Gross
4B	Ryan Huff	4C	Kathryn McCormick	5H	Grace Manecke
5V	Kai Motoyama	5WA	Morgan Nadler	5W	Sree Rajesh

Best Wishes and Welcome New Mustangs

I'm happy to introduce Mr. Jacob Lund and Mr. Steve Nowaczyk as our newest staff members. They have replaced our physical education teachers, Ms. Vetter and Ms. Garcia.

Ms. Vetter and her family have relocated to Ohio and Ms. Garcia has made a decision to be a stay-at-home mom. We wish them the best and thank them deeply for their dedication to our kids. Jake is working at McCarty full time while Steve starts his week with us and finishes his week at Springbrook. Please stop in to introduce yourself and to say hello during Open House.

Mr. Jon Payne is also new to our staff. We are thrilled to have him at McCarty. He has taken on the position of School Administrative Manager (SAM). Please welcome him too!

You will find more information about our new staff members and the SAM position in the February Mustang Memo.

McCarty Dates to Remember – Month of Jan., 2009

Jan. 12th-13 th	1 st grade field trip to WVHS Planetarium
Thurs., Jan. 15 th	End of 1 st Semester (end second quarter)
Fri., Jan. 16 th	NO SCHOOL – Teacher Work Day
Mon., Jan. 19 th	NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Fri., Jan. 23rd 1ST grade curriculum party
Report cards go home backpack mail
Wk of Jan. 26th Jump Rope for Heart – during physical education class
Sat., Jan. 31st Market Day – 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the gym

Reading, Math and Writing Connection

Sort and discuss objects around the house (silverware, clothes and toys). Talk about the groups you are making and how they are similar or different and why certain things belong in a group and other items don't.

Watch programs together and ask your child comprehension questions that ask your child to predict, explain, interpret and summarize what is happening in the story.

If you have any ideas you'd like to share with other parents about how you connect math, reading, or writing at home, please email them to me. I'd love to share your creative ideas with everyone.

Trust each other again and again. When the trust level gets high enough, people transcend apparent limits, discovering new and awesome abilities for which they were previously unaware.

– David Armistead

EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO SUCCEED!

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****Note Ms. Tutton's new extension**