

McCarty Elementary School – LEADERS IN LEARNING!  
*Illinois Honor Roll School Academic Achievement Award Winner*

## Chuck Wagon Chatter

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B Week for Specials' Schedule – September 14, 2009

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### McCarty Curriculum Night

On behalf of the McCarty staff, I want to personally thank everyone for participating in this year's curriculum night. Your feedback was greatly appreciated as well. We can only be as good as our last meeting together and our goal is to make sure the time we spend together is worthwhile and informative for everyone.

### Third Annual Mustang Stampede is Coming

No more selling gift wrap or candy we don't need in order to support our school. We are so excited about our **3rd Annual Mustang Stampede (walk-a-thon) fundraiser at McCarty**. More information about our Mustang Stampede will be coming home next week with your child. The stampede is held during school and provides an opportunity for every student to participate; receive a prize and build a positive and healthy school spirit.

In order to fund all of the PTA's programs that benefit every child at McCarty, we are counting on each child to raise at least \$25.00. The top fundraisers will receive great prizes. Students should ask friends and family members for flat-rate donations, not per lap donations! Please make checks payable to McCarty PTA. Please check out our web site [www.mustangstampede.org](http://www.mustangstampede.org) for information on how you, your friends, and your family may donate \*securely\* online using a credit card.

The students and staff appreciate your support and thank you in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions, or need more information, contact Tracy Garcia or Amy Yusman.

### **CHARACTER COUNTS! EVERYWHERE ALL THE TIME!**

*CC! Word of the Week: TOLERANCE*

**"Tolerance is the oil that takes friction out of life." – Wilbert Scheer**

Next week we will learn about the character trait of TOLERANCE. The definition of tolerance is recognizing and respecting the rights and beliefs of others. We ask you to support us at home by discussing with your child that all people have the right to live without being mistreated. Discuss how tolerance allows many different kinds of people to live together. Explain that although you may not share the views of others, you respect their right to hold those views. Thank you for your support of character education!

### McCarty Dates to Remember

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| Mon., Tues., 14-15 <sup>th</sup> | Fifth grade band and orchestra information nights at Steck from 4-8 p.m. |
| Wed., Sept. 16 <sup>th</sup>     | Hearing screening  |
| Fri., Sept., 18 <sup>th</sup>    | NO SCHOOL – Building Articulation Day for Teachers                       |
| Sat., Sept. 19 <sup>th</sup>     | McCarty/Owen Resale at Owen  |

Mon., Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>      2009 ISAT/IAA student results sent home with fourth/fifth grade students  
Tues., Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>      PTA Family Night – Wendy’s on Ogden/Eola from 5-8 p.m.

**Keeping Our Kids First**

I know that many families have wonderful family pets, me included. If I could, I’d love to have my two dogs with me all the time. However; there are many students/adults who have allergies, some fears pertaining to certain animals, and some animals just don’t get along at times. To ensure the safety of everyone, I ask that you leave your pets at home when you drop off or pick up your child from school. Thank you so much for your understanding in this matter.

**“Our aspirations are our possibilities” – R. Browning**

**School Starting Times**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday**

Doors open at 8:50 a.m. – staff out to supervise

Tardy bell rings at 9:05 a.m.

**Wednesday ONLY**

Doors open at 9:00 a.m.– staff out to supervise

Tardy bell rings at 9:15 a.m.

For the safety of all children, please do not drop off your child at school unless there are staff members outside assisting with arrival.

**EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO SUCCEED!**

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