

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

# Chuck Wagon Chatter

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## Ways to Show Kids you Care

Accept them as they are.

Talk openly with them.

Encourage them to think BIG!

## CHARACTER COUNTS! EVERYWHERE ALL THE TIME!

**National CHARACTER COUNTS! Week starts Monday.** You should have received an informational flyer from your child regarding the activities we will be participating in while we celebrate this week. Over eight million students across the nation will be joining our Mustangs in celebrating the six pillars of CC!

Monday, Oct. 20th	Wear blue Bring one (1) non-perishable food item for the Green Harvest Food Pantry. Penny drive begins
Tuesday, Oct. 21st	Bring one (1) piece of clothing for the Hessed House. Wear yellow Motivational Productions Assembly “Count on Me”
Wednesday, Oct. 22nd	Wear green
Thursday, Oct. 23rd	Wear orange and/or red
Friday, Oct. 24th	Wear purple Classroom flag decorating contest judging. Classroom penny drive winner announced – Pizza Party

Thank you to Ms. Schmidt for taking the lead in organizing this important week for the children.

## District 204 Launches e-Folder on Friday

District 204 is changing the way community flyers are distributed to students. In the past, community groups provided paper copies for distribution via backpacks at the elementary level. Last year more than 3 million pieces of paper were distributed.

Indian Prairie now has an eco-friendly online distribution system that saves resources and time required to sort and handle materials. If you aren't on the District 204 listserv, be sure to sign up so you will receive the most current information happening in our district and the community.

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences and Communication**

Building the bridge of communication between school and home is a priority for us. We appreciate your ongoing efforts in keeping us informed of what is going on in your child's lives. If you ever have questions, comments or concerns, please know that the first line of communication is with your child's teacher.

**If you have not signed up for a parent/teacher conference at this time, please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible to schedule a time to meet.** We will be sharing important information with you at this time and we count on your collaboration to ensure success for you child.

<b>Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>4:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.</b>

### **McCarty Dates to Remember – Month of October, 2008**

Mon. - Fri.	
Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup>	National CHARACTER COUNTS! week celebrated
Tues., Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup>	PTA Family Night at Culvers – Rte. 59 and 75 <sup>th</sup> St. - 4-8 p.m.
Fri., Oct., 24 <sup>th</sup>	Fourth grade Illinois Curriculum Party END OF FIRST QUARTER
Sat., Oct. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Market Day from 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the gym Halloween Happenings at Still Middle School from 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup>	Third grade curriculum party Second grade curriculum party REPORT CARDS COME HOME WITH STUDENTS

**“We see things not as they are, but as we are.  
Our perceptions is shaped by our previous experiences.”  
-Dennis Kimbro**

**EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO SUCCEED!**

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