

P811M THE MICKEY MANTLE PARENT NEWSLETTER

FALL 2008



Dear Parents:

Welcome to the 2008-2009 school year! As Principal of P811M-The Mickey Mantle School, I am committed to our students' success. I pledge that our school will stand as a model of excellence in education and will maintain high expectations for classroom achievement and behavior, while providing assistance for those students who need alternative approaches to learning. At the same time, we also recognize our responsibility to educate our students to become citizens who have the skills and the emotional intelligence to meet the requirements of a work world that doesn't even exist yet.

As parents, please understand that you play an absolutely essential role in your children's schooling experience, and we ask you to partner with us to set high expectations for your children's academic success. A parent's expectation of success becomes a propelling force to motivate a child. Simply put, when children aren't expected to do well, most often they don't. So please don't accept mediocre grades and poor study habits; rather, get involved and insist on better performance. There are many ways to do this, such as by supervising homework, fostering reading at home, limiting TV and video games, and talking with your child about the importance of education.

We urge you to also set high expectations for P811M-The Mickey Mantle School. We welcome your involvement, your support, and even your criticism; because we recognize that constructive criticism can help us to improve. Specifically, get involved with your children's schoolwork and tell us right away about any possible problems - for example, whether homework is too easy or too difficult. And most importantly, get to know your child's teacher and form a partnership on behalf of your child.

We, all of at P811M- The Mickey Mantle School, look forward to working with you to achieve educational excellence for your child. Please don't hesitate to speak to me or another administrator about how we're doing.

Sincerely,

Barry Daub

Principal



WHO IS NEW IN YOUR SCHOOL



Mr. John McCormick, AP

The Mickey Mantle School would like to congratulate Mr. John McCormick on his promotion to Assistant Principal. Mr. McCormick is no stranger to the Mickey Mantle School. He was a homeroom teacher for our 8:1:1 and 12:1:1 students for 3 years. Last year, he was our Middle School Coordinator. Mr. McCormick has a great passion for teaching now he will share his knowledge, expertise and support to the administrative team.

Your Child's Contact Information



It is very important that we are able to contact you in case of an emergency and or concerns we may have with your child. We would like to ensure that the communication between us is continuous and accurate. Please make sure to fill out the BLUE contact card and submit it to Sonia Charles, Pupil Accounting Secretary as soon as possible. If your information changes through out the year please come into the school to change it immediately. In addition to notifying your child's school, please make sure that the following offices receive any changes:

Committee of Special Education
Bussing Company
Office of Pupils
Transportation (OPT).

Thank you for your continued cooperation and feel free to come to the school anytime to check on your child's progress.

P811M / The Mickey Mantle School has a open door policy and we welcome everyone.

Parent Association Update

The Parent's Association is ready for a new year. There are many events and school activities for the upcoming school year that you should be involved in the planning. **The first meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 10, 2008-10am at the Main Site (466 West End Avenue, NY, NY 10024 Auditorium)**



Please make all attempts to attend meetings as scheduled.

STUDENT LUNCH FORMS

It is very important that every student have a completed lunch form on file. This year the Department of Education has made it convenient for parent to fill out their lunch form on the internet. You can follow these steps:

- 1) Go to Access NYC at www.nyc.gov/accessnyc
- 2) Click on "Apply Online for School Meals"
- 3) Submit application

It will take you 5 minutes. This makes the application process easier and faster for you and the Pupils Accounting Secretary. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact Belinda Garcia, Parent Coordinator at (212) 579-3788 ext. 2020



PEOPLE TO REMEMBER

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Counselors

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Speech Department

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Linda Sitzer

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