

Early Release Day Enrichment Programs

Dear Parents,

We are very excited to be able to offer special enrichment programming on the seven Early Release Days throughout the school year. Both the Hoover and the Horace Mann schools have done this in the past and it has been so successful for the students that now all five elementary schools are going to participate offering the same seven enrichment programs at each school.

The Early Release Day Enrichment programs are a separate program from the Melrose Public Schools After School programming, Education Stations. However, we will coordinate the two programs so children can attend the Early Release Day programs and then move onto the after school program. Education Stations will also be providing after school care starting at 12:30 on Early Release days for those families who choose not to participate in the Enrichment Programs.

The Enrichment Programs will be operated by each school and any proceeds from the programs will go directly back to the school's revolving account to pay for additional school and student needs that arise during the year, such as recess equipment, technology tool, etc.. The programs will be staffed by our building based paraprofessionals who will oversee the check-in, supervise during the enrichment show/program, and coordinate dismissal.

In order to participate, students must be pre-registered 5 days in advance. To be sure we have appropriate levels of supervision, no drop-ins will be permitted.

Cost:

- \$20 for the first child for each Early Release Day Enrichment program
- \$15 for each additional sibling (Family Discount)
- \$120 for all 7 programs if pre-registered and paid prior to Tuesday, October 20, 2009. (A savings of \$20 – one free program) - \$100 for each additional sibling (Family Discount)

Early Release Day Schedule – 12:30 PM- 2:20 PM

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| Tue. October 27, 2009 | Wed. October 28, 2009 | Thur. November 5, 2009 |
| Wed. February 3, 2010 | Tue. March 9, 2010 | Wed. March 10, 2010 |
| | Wed. June 2, 2010 | |

- 12:30 – 1:00 - Check-in and quiet group activity
- 1:00 – 2:15 - Enrichment program
- 2:15 – 2:20 – Dismissal & Education Stations transition/check-in

Enrichment Programs will rotate through the schools on each of the Early Release Dates. The Enrichment programs will include:

- Cliffhangers Rock Climbing
 - Ed the Wizard
- Curious Creatures – Reptile Guy
- Magician/Comedian – David Hall
- Jeff Danger – Science Ranger
 - Mad Science

*Please complete the registration on the backside of this letter if you are registering for all 7 programs
Contact your child's principal for more information*