



The Lion's Roar

(Lietz School Newsletter)

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Calendar

October 8:	Family Reading Night at 6pm	October 19-23:	Scholastic Book Fair
October 13:	Family Night – No homework tonight	October 21:	Bike/Walk to School Day
October 16:	Lietz Walkathon	October 29:	Halloween Parade
October 19-27:	Parent/Teacher Conferences: School Dismissed at 1:15pm everyday	October 29:	HSC Pizza and Bingo Night
		October 30:	Staff Development Day – No School for students

Parent/Teacher Conferences

The first parent-teacher conference is designed to recognize your child's strengths and needs, to coordinate school and home support, and to better familiarize the classroom teacher with your child. In fact, it is a sharing time whereby parents and teachers discuss and plan how best to assist the child in the learning process.

This year, conferences will be held October 19-27 (excluding Wednesdays). **We will be on early release days (school is out at 1:15pm) everyday from October 19-27.**

Conferences are scheduled in time blocks set by the teachers. We ask your cooperation in being prompt to your conference time and date so there will be maximum time to talk about your child.

Please consider the items below before the conference to help with your conversation with the teacher:

- What are your child's strengths and needs?
- Does your child enjoy reading and/or writing?
- Does your child have an interest in math and/or science?
- How does your child show interest in art, drama and music?
- What physical activities does your child enjoy?
- How do you support school learning at home? How often do you read with your child?
- Is there educational, family, and/or medical history that may affect your child's education growth that should be shared with the teacher? (This information will be kept confidential.)

Research shows that parent involvement in a child's education is a critical factor in determining the degree to which a child will be successful in school. Please make attending the parent/teacher conference one of the ways you will be involved in your child's education. Together we can make a difference.

Bike/Walk to School Day

Last year in early May, Lietz held a Bike/Walk to School Day. It was an amazing success! Some of the streets around our school were virtually absent any moving vehicles. This substantially increases safety for all of our students....and at the same time promotes health.

This year, we are going to call Wednesdays as Bike/Walk to school day as a way to continue to promote safety and health. Our first Bike/Walk to School Day will be on Wednesday, October 21st!

Site Council Openings

Every school is required to establish and maintain an appropriately configured School Site Council (SSC). This council meets regularly to:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review school and student performance data • Review school goals and select specific improvements. • Develop the site plan with input from other advisory groups | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor progress of plan implementation • Assess effectiveness of planned activities • Review/Modify plan as needed. |
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The configuration of the SSC is made up of Parents/Community Members and School Site staff. The Lietz School Site Council meets periodically on Monday afternoons at 3pm. This year, we have two parent openings for site council. If you are interested in serving as a Site Council member, please email me (thomasla@unionsd.org) by Monday, October 12.

Union School District Board Members: Sheila Billings, Cindy Goodsell, Vickie Brown, Janice Hector and Harold Stuart.