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Please call the attendance hotline number
when your child is absent.

This directory is intended solely for the private use of Roosevelt
Elementary School families.

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A note from the Handbook team: This Parent-Student Handbook is a living document—it’s subject to change and suggestions are always welcome! If you are unable to find something, have a correction or any other suggestion, please contact roosevelthandbook@gmail.com and we’ll do our best to incorporate changes in future editions.

Principal's Letter

Dear Roosevelt Families,

Welcome to the Roosevelt Handbook! I hope that it will help new families learn more about Roosevelt and keep all families updated. The Handbook is intended to give Roosevelt families a one-stop, quick source of information about the daily operations and instructional program at Roosevelt School. To keep communication fresh and timely throughout the year, please also keep tabs on the Thursday Folder that will come home each week with each of your children. Please see the section "Additional Sources of Information" at the end of this Handbook for more information regarding Roosevelt School and the Santa Barbara School District.

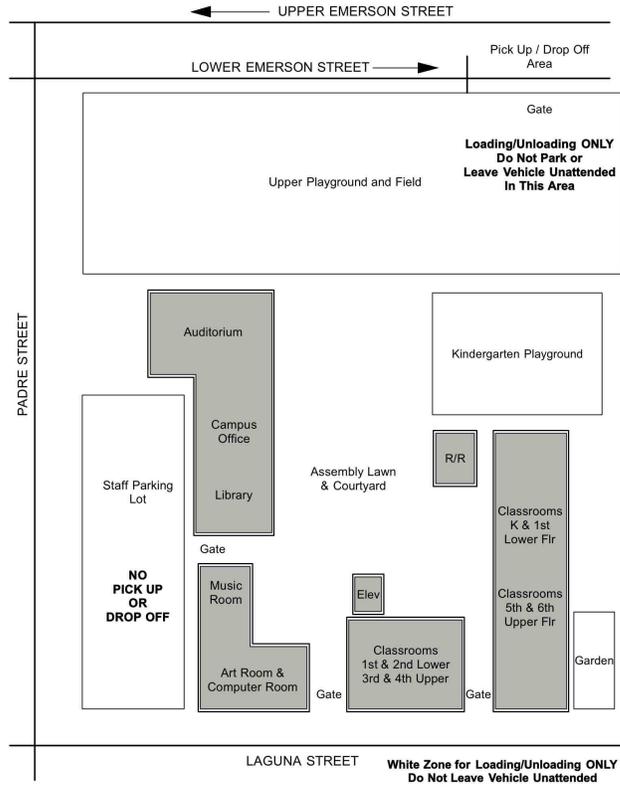
Many thanks to all the parents and Roosevelt Staff who participated in putting this handbook together. We appreciate all their hard work. This Handbook is just one more example of the wonderful support and dedication of our school community that helps to make Roosevelt a wonderful place for our kids to grow and learn.

I am proud to serve as the Principal of Roosevelt School, supporting our excellent and dedicated staff so that our students experience success in a safe, nurturing, academically challenging and enriching environment. I look forward to hearing from you about this Handbook as well as any other suggestions and feedback you have about Roosevelt School. My door is always open; my email is cbazemore@sbunified.org.

Respectfully,

Christy Bazemore

Map of Roosevelt and Surrounding Area



Absences

To ensure the safety of our students, our Attendance Verification Line is available 24 hours a day. When your child is absent for any reason, please call (805) 563-2306 and leave a message on the recorder. The message will be in English and in Spanish. Please wait for the beep before leaving a message with the following information:

1. Your name and relationship to your child.
2. The child's name, grade and teacher's name.
3. Reason for absence.

If your child is absent from school and you have not called the attendance line, you will receive a call from the district's Teleparent service reminding you to call us immediately to verify the reason for the absence. A2A is an automated attendance system that begins calling students that have an unverified absence.

Please call as early in the day as possible!

Please review the school calendar and plan family trips to coincide with school vacations. Each day that a student is absent, our school district loses more than \$30.00/student. This really adds up financially, not to mention the impact on your child's academic progress. The truancy policy is available for your convenience.

Access to Campus

During the instructional school day, access to the campus is through the Main Office only. All visitors, including parents, must sign in and wear a visitor badge while on campus. All gates are locked at 8:35 a.m. Gates are re-opened 5 minutes before the dismissal times.

By School Board policy, our campus is tobacco-free and animal-free, except for instructional purposes.

After-School Care

There are a variety of after-school programs available.

After School Enrichment Program (ASEP): A variety of fun, educational classes are organized by REEF. In the past, these have included knitting, cartooning, astronomy, theater, foreign languages, dance and much more! Sign ups are announced in the fall and spring. Fees vary. Classes run for one hour after dismissal.

Recreational Afterschool Program (RAP): Available through the City of Santa Barbara Recreation Department for grades 1-6. RAP is held in the cafeteria and playground every school day, from dismissal until 5:30 p.m. (The program begins earlier on Early Release Wednesdays.) Homework supervision is included. Sign up for an entire session or a drop-in pass for more occasional use at the City Recreation Department downtown or at www.sbparksandrecreation.com

Child Development Program: A program through the Child Development Program of the Santa Barbara School District for grades TK-1 only. The program is held in a classroom where there are games and activities, story time, rest time and a snack is provided. Its hours are from dismissal until 6pm daily, with the exception of the third Wednesday of the month when they close at 3:30 p.m. for staff development. (The program starts earlier on early release days, like the first weeks of TK/K and on Wednesdays.) Enrollment forms are available at the Roosevelt office. Space is limited.

Eastside Santa Barbara Boys and Girls Club: This state-licensed daycare is located at 632 E. Canon Perdido Street. All K-6 students are eligible and care continues until 6:00 p.m. Transportation is not provided from Roosevelt's campus at this time, however the Roosevelt school bus has a nearby stop (see Arrivals and Departures). For more information, call: (805) 962-2382

Girls Inc.: Girls Inc. is non-profit youth organization dedicated to inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold, and it offers afterschool care until 6:00. Vans pick up at Roosevelt, one for K and one for grades 1-6. Register in person at the Santa Barbara Center, 531 East Ortega. Scholarships are available. For more information, try www.girlsincsb.org or call: (805) 963-4757.

Westside Santa Barbara Boys and Girls Club: A van picks up students from Roosevelt's main office and transports them to this state-licensed daycare at 602 W. Anapamu St. All K-6 students are eligible and care continues until 6:00 p.m. Contact the Club for a registration packet. Contact: (805) 966-2811.

Arrival and Departure

The school gates open at 8:00 a.m. Students are to proceed to the cafeteria and/or playground where they will be supervised until the warning bell at 8:25 a.m. All students and are welcome to enjoy a healthy breakfast offered free of charge in the cafeteria.

Classrooms will open at the 8:25 a.m. warning bell. Students may not wait outside classroom doors or in the courtyard, unless, they are supervised by their parent.

For children's safety, students may not be dropped off or picked up in the staff parking lot or in the red zone on Laguna Street.

Students may be dropped off in the white zone on Laguna Street. It is prohibited to park or leave your vehicle in the white zone.

There is an additional drop-off and pick-up site at Emerson Street, above the campus. Adult supervision is provided at Emerson Street from 8:15 a.m. to 8:25 a.m.

*Note: Drop off and Pick Up your children on the lower part of Emerson, not the upper part. This is a safety issue and we have had many phone calls from concerned neighbors.

There is a crossing guard on Laguna Street at morning and afternoon drop-offs and pickups. For everyone's safety, please do not enter the crosswalk until the crossing guard has walked to the middle of the crosswalk and lifted his/her sign and signaled that it is safe for you to cross.

Buses: See Bus Schedule.

Back to School Night

At the start of each school year, a Back to School Night will be announced that allows for parents to come in and meet their child's teacher and understand what the goals and protocol are for the particular class and grade.

You will also learn about REEF, the Parent Teacher Organization, and how to get involved with the various events they help to organize throughout the school year.

Birthday Celebrations

Parents can bring a healthy birthday treat at their teacher's discretion, usually in the fifteen minutes before dismissal. These parties must be coordinated with your child's teacher ahead of the actual birthday.

Breakfast and Lunch Program

Free breakfast and lunch are available for all students in the cafeteria. Breakfast is from 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Bus Schedule

There is a school bus supplied by the Santa Barbara School District that travels through the Roosevelt School District for pick up and drop off. Roosevelt has one school bus route. Any student within the Roosevelt attendance district may ride the school bus. Intra- and inter-district transfers must provide their own transportation. To find out specific time and location of pickup and drop offs in your neighborhood, please ask for a bus schedule at the campus office or it can be found on the Santa Barbara School District website: <http://www.sbunified.org/bus-schedules/>

The bus pick up schedule remains the same regardless of the length of the instructional school day. However take notice of the drop off times on early release days and minimum day schedules.

Cell Phone Policy

Cell phones should be left at home. Phones *must* be turned off while on campus. There are phones available for student use in the campus

office and in classrooms. Cell phones being used during the school day will be confiscated and given to the principal. Parents may pick up confiscated cell phones at the main campus office.

Character Counts Celebration

Character Counts Celebration is held at the discretion of the principal. It is held to celebrate students' academic successes and is usually held on the same day as an awards assembly (generally once a month).

Classroom Assignment and Lists

Classes are composed collaboratively by the principal and the teachers, based upon a variety of factors including academic performance and classroom dynamics. You can view the assigned teacher at the Meet and Greet the day before school begins. You must know your students ID #. Aeries Portal has the student ID#. You must register your student online before the first day of school each school year.

Each classroom at Roosevelt is held to the highest standards in all aspects of education, and therefore, requests for specific classrooms are unnecessary.

Contacting Your Teacher

Please contact your child's teacher by email or by leaving a message at their telephone extension. Calls to classrooms during the instructional day will be sent to voicemail. Please request a time to meet with your child's teacher if you have questions or concerns so they may schedule a mutually convenient time to meet. If it is an emergency situation, please leave a message with the school office and the office staff will assist. The campus office phone number is (805) 563-2062.

Check your school directory or the Roosevelt website,

<http://www.rooseveltschoolsb.org>

for contact information of all teachers/staff.

Counselor

We have a school counselor who works with students based on teacher and parent referrals. Parents must give permission for students to work with the counselor on an ongoing basis. Among other things, the counselor runs social skills groups, conflict resolution workshops, and provides occasional presentations in the classroom. The counselor can be reached by calling the main office.

Curriculum and Instructional Program

California has adopted Common Core Content Standards. All instructional materials utilized in classroom instruction at Roosevelt support those standards. Instructional materials in Math, Language Arts, Science and Social Studies are adopted and approved by the Santa Barbara School District Board of Directors and are renewed and updated according to the California Department of Education (CDE). For more information and continual updates on Santa Barbara Unified School District (SBUSD) transition to Common Core Standards, please see the SBUSD website at <http://www.sbunified.org> and <http://www.cde.ca.gov>.

Our staff works hard to meet the needs of individual students, within the whole group context of teaching and learning in a heterogeneous classroom. This is accomplished via differentiated instruction within classrooms and flexible grouping across grade levels in Grades 3-6. Additional support for groups of learners and individuals beyond the classroom setting, such as English language learners, is available through the use of instructional aides and teacher tutors. Our instructional program is supported by a Reading Intervention Program to assist at-risk readers.

Staff is continually involved in professional development opportunities and collaboration. Our staff is currently involved in professional development in the areas of Science, English Language acquisition, and writing..

All staff in SBUSD is currently involved in intense professional development in curriculum and instruction as we continue transitioning to the Common Core. This includes areas such as Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), FOSS Science, Mathematics, Project-based

learning, Balanced Literacy Writing Workshop as well as differentiated instruction and English/Language Arts.

For more information on the instructional offerings at your child's grade level, please contact your child's teacher, check out our school website, and keep abreast of new events through our Thursday folder system.

Custodians

Roosevelt has both a daytime and nighttime custodian.

Directory

Each year REEF puts together a Roosevelt Directory containing class lists, phone numbers and addresses. Information is solicited early in the year, and directories can be purchased shortly thereafter.

You shall receive a form in your child's Thursday Folder asking for your contact info. Please return promptly as this is a very useful way for us to communicate with one another and ensures you are kept up to date on events happening at school.

Dismissal Times

Dismissal times vary depending on the grade level and whether or not it is an Early Release Wednesday. (Periodically there are other Minimum Days that are announced in advance by the school.)

The dismissal times on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday are as follows:

TK & Kindergarten at 2:10 p.m. (After first 5 week noon dismissal time)

Grades 1-3 at 2:42 p.m.

Grades 4-6 at 3:04 p.m.

Early dismissal, for all grades, will occur every Wednesday as follows:

TK & Kindergarten at 1:10 p.m.

Grades 1-6 at 1:30 p.m.

Also note: for the first five weeks of the year, TK & Kindergarten are dismissed at 12 pm. every day except Wednesday when they are dismissed at the regular early dismissal time of 1:10pm. Beginning the fourth week, dismissal times for K, revert to the above listed times.

Doctor and Dental Appointments During School Day

If possible, please schedule appointments after school hours. If arriving late due to an appointment, go to the campus office for an excused tardy slip.

If taking your student out, sign them out at the campus office.

Dress Code

Sandals are permitted, however not on P.E. days. Students should wear closed-toe shoes for Physical Education.

Hats are permitted on the playground, but not in classrooms or the lunchroom, and must be worn straight and forward.

For more information see the Santa Barbara School District website, (<http://www.sbunified.org>) for dress code policy.

ELAC (English Language Advisory Council)

The ELAC is comprised of parents of students receiving English Language Development (ELD) services, the principal, and two teachers. The council's purpose is to inform and engage parents regarding the ELD services they and their children can receive, the use of budgets for ELD services, and parent involvement particularly for parents of students who speak languages other than English.

Emergency and Evacuation Plan

Emergency contact forms must be completed and on file for each student. If there is any change of address or phone number during the school year, please notify the office immediately.

A School Safety Plan is submitted for School Board review and approval each year. Copies are available in the school and school district office. In the event of an emergency requiring evacuation, staff, students,

faculty and any campus visitors will gather at the upper field below Emerson Street. To pick up your child, come to the blue gate at the far end of the staff parking lot. Office staff will be there, with emergency information and will release children only to the people that have been authorized by their parent(s).

English Language Development (ELD) Services for English Language Learners (ELLs)

English Language Development (ELD) services are provided to students who have been determined to be English Language Learners (ELLs). If a parent indicates that a language other than English is spoken at home on the Home Language Survey completed during registration, the student's level of English fluency may be assessed at the beginning of the school year by the ELL assessment coordinator. If determined to be eligible for services, classroom teachers provide English language development and ELL students are also supported by aides who help them develop reading fluency.

Field Trips

Students participate in many wonderful educational field trips during each year. Trips are usually free (some may be subsidized by REEF or through other donations) or available at a nominal charge to parents. Each grade typically goes on 3-4 field trips a year to enhance the curriculum. Trips have included the Getty Museum, Santa Barbara Natural History Museum, and concerts at the Lobero and Arlington Theatres.

The sixth grade traditionally goes to outdoor school near Lake Cachuma.

All fifth graders get to take part in an exciting overnight outdoor education field trip to the Catalina Island Marine Institute program at Toyon Bay (CIMI).

Other traditional field trips for Roosevelt students have included visiting a California Mission such as La Purisma in Lompoc (fourth grade), a day trip to Lake Cachuma (third grade), visiting the Santa Barbara Art Museum, Natural History Museum and attending a live performance downtown (second grade), performances at the Lobero, the Watershed Resource Center at Arroyo Burro (first grade), and the UCSB touch tanks

and pumpkin patch (Kindergarten). We are lucky that Roosevelt is in walking distance to some great museums and performance halls!

Provision II Lunch Program

Free lunch is available for ALL students. Please complete the lunch form, even if you do not plan to use the lunch—Roosevelt receives important funding based on the number of people who complete the lunch form. Forms are available in the main office and all information is confidential.

Fundraisers

REEF plans and oversees all fundraisers to support and enhance the instructional program. Major annual fundraisers are the Annual Fund and Rose Run. Staff and parents collaborate on developing a yearly budget that supports curriculum specialists, technology, the arts and grade level special events and field trips.

All donations are tax deductible and 100% of the funds raised for Roosevelt School stay at Roosevelt School. Donations may be submitted through a secure on-line donation form at: <http://www.rooseveltschoolsb.org/annual-fund/> or may be deposited in the REEF safe in the campus office.

No donation is too small or too large. We strive for 100% participation of our parents. Please participate; the quality of our children's education depends of this funding.

Gifted and Talented Education (GATE)

All students in second grade participate in an assessment process to identify students who are intellectually gifted. For more information on this process attend the SBUSD GATE information night held each November and/or contact Harriet Whaley at hwhaley@sbunified.org, the school district's GATE program coordinator. Your child's teacher can also answer your questions.

Roosevelt is known as a GATE cluster school. Students who are identified as intellectually gifted are clustered in the mainstream classroom. Please see the Santa Barbara School District website for GATE program description for each school, including Roosevelt. Their

website is: <http://www.sbunified.org/departments/educational/gifted-and-talented-education/elementary-gate>.

Health Assistance

Please contact the main office if your child has a particular health condition which requires accommodations. The District Nurse will review the information, make any assessment and inform the appropriate school staff. Medications may be taken at school if an Authorization to Administer Medication(s) form is completed by the family and the physician, and all other procedures are followed. Please contact our Health Assistant for more information by calling the main campus office at (805) 563-2062 x209.

Families needing assistance in determining how and where to obtain health care may contact the main office for information on community resources.

Health Education

Health Education is addressed in all grades—including nutrition, hygiene and (in upper grades) human growth and development. Parental consent will be obtained before a student is presented with sensitive material. Parents can review materials at the School District Office at 720 Santa Barbara Street.

Health Services

We would like to remind you of the school's policies regarding colds, flus and other illnesses. Children who have ANY of the following symptoms should be kept at home: (1) if student vomits during the night or before school, should be kept home until vomit free for at least 24 hours, (2) green or yellow nasal discharge, (3) temperature above 100 degrees; must be fever free for at least 24 hours before returning to school, (4) productive or excessive cough and/or (5) students is too ill or uncomfortable to concentrate/function well in the classroom.

Interpreter Services

Translation is available for Spanish and other languages (e.g., for teacher conferences). Contact the main office to make this arrangement.

Translation can also be arranged for Site Council and REEF meetings. Roosevelt has a closed audio system available for interpretation (headsets for listeners and transmission system for translator).

Printed materials (notices, newsletters, Principal's letter etc.) are routinely available in both Spanish and English.

Kindergarten & Transitional Kindergarten (TK)

Registration for TK & Kindergarten takes place after winter break. Contact the main office for more information and an application packet. Applications require a completed physician physical, current immunization record and either passport, original birth certificate or baptismal certificate. Tours of the campus are available. Parents must also submit two different proofs of residence (e.g., a current utility bill and mortgage or rental agreement).

The Kindergarten teachers perform assessments of incoming Kindergarteners in late May/early June.

For the first five weeks of the year, TK and Kindergarten are dismissed at 12 p.m. every day, except early release Wednesdays when they are released at 1:10pm. Beginning the sixth week, dismissal times for TK and Kindergarten, will be at the following times.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: Dismissal is 2:10 p.m.

Early Dismissal Wednesdays: 1:10 p.m.

Check the school district calendar for the teacher conference minimum day schedule.

Library

The library is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., except when classes are in session in the library or otherwise in use.

Books may be checked out for two weeks as follows:

Grades TK-1: 1 book at a time

Grade 2: 2 books

Grades 3-6: 3 books

Parents: up to 6 books

Lost book fees: \$20.00 per hard cover, \$10.00 per soft cover.

Books are available in both Spanish and English.

The library has a major fundraiser in the Spring (Scholastic Book Sales) and participates in Read with Roosevelt, a fun event that brings in members of the community as well as parents to read to our students.

The librarian can be reached at: (805) 563-2062 Ext. 208 (Ext. 207 for the library back room).

Lost and Found

The lost and found is located in the auditorium. Due to our space constraints, periodically the contents of the lost and found are donated to charity, so please check frequently! You will be warned when a donation is coming up, and items will be displayed in the courtyard prior to donation.

Valuables (wallets, glasses, etc.) are kept in the main office.

Lunch and Lunch Guests

Students eat in the outdoor eating area or, during inclement weather, in the auditorium. The students have a supervised play time with access to the playground and equipment before they eat their lunch.

If you come to enjoy lunch with your student, you must sit at the green tables near the T/K playground.

Bag lunches: Please do not send candy or soda in bag lunches. Other foods may be excluded if they might cause harm to students with food allergies. In this event, your child's class will be notified ahead of time.

Hot lunches: Hot lunches are available for all students. Milk is served with lunch and water is available.

Our cafeteria supervisor can be reached at: (805) 563.2062 Ext. 211.

Medications Procedure

School staff, are not permitted to give any medication, prescribed or over-the-counter, to students unless an Authorization to Administer Medication(s) form is signed by the parent/guardian and the physician. All medications including inhalers, auto-injectable epinephrine and over-the-counter medications such as Advil and Tylenol must be pre-arranged with school staff and have the appropriate paperwork on file. If your child must take any medication during the school day, please contact the main office to make the necessary arrangements.

Music Program

Roosevelt has a thriving music program for all students in TK-Grade 6. The music instruction utilizes the ORFF Approach to music education in grades TK-2. Recorders are introduced in the primary grades and strings instruction begins in late Spring for Grade 3 and continues through Grade 4. Woodwinds and brass instruments are added in Grades 5 and 6, for those students who wish to try their hand at another instrument other than strings.

In addition, there is a marvelous free afterschool program, BRAVO, provided by the district for interested upper grade students.

Please contact Trey Farrell at wfarrell@sbunified.org for more information on the music program at Roosevelt.

Open Door Policy

Parents are always welcome at Roosevelt. Volunteering in classrooms is at the teacher's discretion. Usually, sign ups are offered at the Back to School Night that takes place at the beginning of the school year.

If you are coming to observe a classroom, we request that you contact the teacher and the main office in advance of your visit.

When arriving at Roosevelt, please enter through the main campus office, sign in and get a name-tag for security and emergency reasons.

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Roosevelt Elementary Educational Foundation (REEF) is our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). Please see the REEF section.

Parking

Roosevelt's lovely campus has, unfortunately, very limited parking beyond that needed for staff, school deliveries, and student transportation. Parents must park legally on side streets. Parking on Emerson Street is also restricted; please observe posted parking signs. For safety reasons, please, do NOT park in the white or red zones around or in front of the school and be courteous and respectful of or neighbors.

Pet Policy

Santa Barbara School Board policy #6163.2 prohibits animals on campus, even those on leash. We may have both students and adults on campus who have health issues related to exposure to animals. Please see your child's teacher about the possibility of arranging for animal visits that are part of the instructional program.

Physical Education (P.E.)

All students receive weekly physical education instruction. The PE program is planned and implemented by our PE teacher based on state standards. A PE teacher will be assigned part time on a schedule rotation.

Principal

Christy Bazemore has been an educator for over 18 years. She began her career in Arizona as a classroom teacher for Grades 2 through 5. After receiving her Master's degree in Bilingual and Multicultural Education and Leadership from Northern Arizona University, she served as an Interventionist/Reading Specialist and then district-wide EL Coordinator before becoming a middle school and elementary school administrator. In addition to her work in various aspects of education, Christy has volunteered with the Humane Society Program and many charitable education programs that target at risk students and families. Ms. Bazemore moved to California with her family accepting a position as Principal at Roosevelt Elementary School. Her goal is to continue to support and expand the exemplary instructional and enrichment programs that define Roosevelt School as a California Distinguished School.

To contact Ms. Bazemore: (805) 563-2062 Ext. 225,

E-mail: cbazemore@sbunified.org

Privacy Policy

There are sometimes activities and accomplishments that take place in our school that are positive, newsworthy and of interest to the community. Sometimes photographic images are taken and published on school or district websites. If, for any reason, you do not want your child's likeness to be used by the Santa Barbara Districts or by the news media for the purpose of positive publicity about school activities or student achievement, please notify the school office immediately.

Parents should be aware that there are times when members of the news media are on our campus covering a variety of education-related stories. Legally, children are entitled to communicate with the media. However, any child has the right to refuse to be interviewed by news media representatives. Thus, if you feel that communication with news media representatives is not in your child's best interest, you are encouraged to instruct your child of your wishes.

Student records are available to School District employees as needed for educational purposes. Parents may access their children's records

anytime, but must do so in the office. Records may not be removed from the premises and are locked when not being used.

Recess and discipline approach

Recess is held in the morning and after lunch. Recess schedules are available in the office. There are always adults supervising on the playground. In the morning, teachers supervise on a rotating schedule. After lunch, supervision is by Instructional Aides and/or hired noon duty supervisors. We use the Restorative Approach program for matters that occur on campus among our students.

REEF (Roosevelt Elementary Educational Foundation)

Roosevelt Elementary Educational Foundation (REEF) is comprised of parents, teachers, and Roosevelt administration including Principal Bazemore. As a Roosevelt parent, you are automatically a member and each parent's volunteer participation is essential to continue Roosevelt's tradition of excellence. REEF is a nonprofit organization, under IRS Code section 501(c)(3). Every dollar donated is tax-deductible. 100% of the funds raised for Roosevelt School stay at Roosevelt School.

Through a joint effort with the teachers, principal, parents, REEF and the through the generous donations made by parents and sponsors, Roosevelt has funded for the benefit of our students, curriculum specialists in a number of academic areas, computer upgrades, and physical education (P.E.). REEF also supports Read with Roosevelt, cultural arts, the science fair, and more. Several self-funded programs are administered by parent volunteers for the benefit of our students and the school community, including the Fall Ball, Carnival, Yearbook, Directory, and the After School Enrichment Program (ASEP).

The membership votes on the election of the Directors as set forth in the Bylaws, the general budget and changes to the Bylaws. The Directors (a.k.a. Board Members) oversee the day-to-day operation of the foundation and make funding decisions based on discussions with the membership and recommendations by the principal and teachers. Parents interested in volunteering to be Directors (Board members) please contact reef@rooseveltschoolsb.org

To learn more about REEF, to volunteer, participate, or give a tax-deductible donation please contact reef@rooseveltschoolsb.org or come to a meeting! Meetings are held once a month throughout the school year. Attending the first REEF meeting, when the budget is discussed, is the best way to learn more about the special programs and events that are paid for by REEF. Free child-care is available at every REEF meeting. You can also check out the website: <http://roosevelt.sbunified.org/>

There is a calendar of events posted on the website.

Report Cards

Report cards come out three times a year: during fall teacher conferences, spring teacher conferences and at the conclusion of the school year (See school district calendar for conference dates).

Schools in the Santa Barbara School District use a computerized standards-based report card. This enables teachers to monitor and report to parents each student's progress towards grade level mastery of content standards.

School Pictures

School Pictures are taken in the fall. You will be notified of the dates/times shortly before. There is a make up photo session a few weeks later.

School Supplies

The district generally provides all needed school supplies, although, families may be asked to provide particular items for special projects.

Site Council

Every school in the Santa Barbara Public School District is charged with having a Site Council. The purpose of the Council includes developing the comprehensive plan designed to improve the effectiveness of the school program; annually establishing a budget in response to the comprehensive plan; and developing a system for ongoing communication with parents, community members, the school staff and district school board. The Site Council is comprised of five parents, three certificated staff members (teachers), one classified staff, and the principal.

In the fall, parents and staff members are elected to the council for two-year terms. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact: Ms. Bazemore (805) 563-2062 at Ext. 225.

Student Study Team and Special Education Services

Roosevelt School has all services typically required in special education such as a speech and language therapist, a school psychologist, an occupational therapist and an adaptive P.E. specialist. Services for low-incidence disabilities, such as services for visually impaired students, are provided by the district on an as needed basis.

The Student Study Team meets monthly to address the needs of students who are experiencing academic/behavioral difficulties. The Student Study Team (SST) works with the classroom teacher and parents to develop an intervention/support plan. The team consists of the Principal, the child's classroom teacher and parents, our Learning Center teachers and a teacher representative from the primary and upper grades. Additional staff such as the counselor and speech therapist may join the team as student needs indicate.

Our Learning Center teachers support students at Roosevelt who are eligible for special education services. Information about the SST process and Special Education is available. For more information regarding the Student Study Team and special education services, please call the school office at: (805) 563.2062.

Talent Show

The Talent Show is an annual event. Any student is welcome to audition. Auditions take place a few weeks before the show, and students and parents will be notified in advance.

Talent Show performances take place during the school day and again in the evening.

Tardies

If your student will be late to school, please call the office directly at (805) 563-2062. Students who arrive on campus after 8:30 a.m. must report to the school office for the tardy slip needed for admittance to class after the start of school. The tardy policy is available for your convenience.

Teacher Conferences

Your teacher is always available to discuss any specific concerns you may have. You will meet with your teacher twice during the school year, once in the fall and once in the spring for Teacher Conferences. If you wish to speak with your child's teacher at another time, please make an appointment either by note or by leaving a message with the office staff or on the teacher's voice mail.

During the Teacher Conferences dismissal time is at 12pm.

Technology

In the 2013-14 school year, REEF funded an upgraded 33-station computer lab. Teachers use the lab to support instruction, teaching research skills, keyboarding and word processing. All classrooms are equipped with Apple TV's and grades 3-6 have six-twelve iPads per class.

Thursday Folders

Each child at Roosevelt is given a Thursday Folder at the beginning of the school year. This folder is an important form of communication between the school and parents, and you guessed it, it goes home with the students every Thursday. Please read any notices, sign paperwork

and return using the Thursday Folder. Thursday Folders should be returned EVERY Friday.

Vacations

It is greatly appreciated when family vacations are planned to coincide with school vacations. Each day a child is absent during the regular school year costs the school district more than \$30.00 per student/day, so absences not only affect your child's progress, but also the resources available to all students. The tardy policy is available for your convenience.

Volunteering

Parents are encouraged to volunteer in many ways! Classroom volunteers are scheduled at the discretion of your child's teacher. REEF also loves volunteers for their many events and fundraisers; attend a REEF meeting or email reef@rooseveltschoolsb.org. Do you have a special talent or skill that you can share with our students or community? We'd love to hear from you. Contact the main campus office and the staff will help put you in touch with the right person.

Yearbook

Every spring, a parent committee creates a yearbook for the school. These yearbooks are available for sale and cost around \$25. If you have any pictures of school events throughout the year, please save them. The organizing Committee will be collecting photos throughout the year for possible inclusion in the yearbook. The Yearbook will be organized by a parent designated by REEF at the beginning of the school year.

Additional Sources of Information

REEF (Roosevelt Elementary Education Foundation) website:

<http://roosevelt.sbunified.org/>

Santa Barbara School District website:

<http://www.sbunified.org/>

Santa Barbara Elementary GATE website:

<http://www.sbunified.org/departments/educational/gifted-and-talented-education/elementary-gate/>

Santa Barbara County Education office:

<http://sbceo.org/>

California Department of Education website:

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/>

Top Ten Things You Should Know About Roosevelt

1. There is free childcare at every REEF meeting.
2. Every fifth grader can be a rock star – or at least choose an instrument to play in the orchestra program. Every fourth grader learns the violin!
3. Our mascot is the Roosevelt Rough Riders and school colors are green and gold.
4. Our school is named after the 26th President of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt.
5. Ms. Bazemore’s favorite flavor of ice cream is Rocky Road...she loves chocolate!
6. Roosevelt is a California Distinguished School. In 2006, Roosevelt earned the Distinguished School Recognition Award. This award identifies and honors some of California’s most exemplary and inspiring public schools.
7. On the last day of school, as students are dismissed from their classes, parents blow bubbles in the courtyard to celebrate the end of the year and the start of Summer.
8. Roosevelt is one of the oldest schools in Santa Barbara. It was founded in 1923!
9. Roosevelt underwent a major renovation lasting several years, ending in 2000. Each of the ceramic figures on the walls around the courtyard, represents a member of the Roosevelt community from that time. These self-portraits were created by students, staff and teachers with the help of the Santa Barbara Art Museum’s Ridley Tree staff.
10. One hour of volunteering has statistically been proven to add 37.9 days to your life.