Dear Manzo Families,

Thank you for coming out to Fiesta Manzo! It has become such a fun annual event! We truly appreciate our PTP and all of the parent and staff volunteers who helped with the Fiesta! We will be hosting another family event to celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday on Friday, March 6th from 7:30-8:30 a.m. We hope to see you then! Please call our office if you’d like information on any upcoming events.

REGISTRATION

It is very crucial that you register your student as soon as possible. Every student must re-register for next year! Manzo is a very popular school and many students are interested in attending here. We have limited space at Manzo and if your student is not registered this spring, we cannot guarantee their space or placement at our school. We fill up very quickly due to Open Enrollment. Please come see Sylvia Mange in the front office to get your registration packet or to get your parent pin to register online. We are also here to assist you with online registration. Please come in as soon as possible to hold your child’s place at Manzo.

STUDENT SAFETY

As mentioned before we can’t stress the importance of keeping our students safe, especially around our pickup zones. That is why we ask you all to please exercise patience and courtesy when dropping off/picking up your child (ren). Please remember that our bus bay is not to be used as a drop-off/pick-up area. When picking up students, a staff member will accompany him/her to your car or watch as they enter the vehicle. Also, we have had instances where individuals have run the stop sign. Please be aware that we have many students walking to school and safety is always our priority. If you park across the street from the school you must walk across to get your child and then walk them across the street. Children are not allowed to cross the street alone in the parent pick up area.

ABSENCES and TARDIES

Regular and punctual attendance is essential for optimum learning, growth and development of students. Missing 10 minutes a day due to tardiness results in almost an hour of lost instruction a week. Although life events can interfere with the responsibility that parents and guardians have of making sure students arrive on time, excessive tardiness signals a need to evaluate morning procedures to eliminate tardiness. Interruptions due to tardiness take away from learning time and are disruptive to the entire class. School begins promptly at 8:25 am. Please make every effort to have your child arrive on time. Playground supervision begins at 8:00am. Please make sure students do not arrive before that time. Thank you and if we can be of any assistance please don’t hesitate to call.

Steven La Turco
Principal
Manzo Elementary
Reading
Manzo Elementary wants to encourage all students to read at home. Every student must read and get their reading log signed by a parent every week. We have set reading log goals for this third quarter and all grade levels who reach their goals will be taking a trip to the zoo! Please help us by making sure that your child reads 20 minutes every night! We cannot grow good readers without your support!

IXL
Please make sure that your student remains active on IXL. This will help with their reading/math fluency and comprehension. Your students can go to https://www.ixl.com/signin/tusd or get the IXL app and log on using their matric number.

School Uniforms
We are happy to loan students school uniforms as needed but we are rapidly running out of extra uniforms. If you have borrowed a uniform or if you have some that are now too small for your child, please wash and return them to school so we can keep a good supply. Thank you!

Health Corner
- The best way to avoid a cold or the flu is to wash hands frequently. Please reinforce this good habit at home.
- Please remind your child/children to cover their mouths when coughing and sneezing. Coughing/sneezing into your sleeve is the best way to avoid germs.
- Regular bathing and teeth brushing routines are important for children’s health and hygiene.
- We are starting to head into the warm spring season so please send water bottles to school. Staying hydrated is very important!

Test Taking Tips for Parents & Students
Parents! Please help your child/children be successful on upcoming assessments!
1. Make sure your child gets an ample, normal amount of sleep the night before the test
2. Mark testing days on your calendar to help remind you and your child when the testing will take place and plan your preparations.
3. The student should eat a nutritious and filling breakfast. Avoid high sugar cereals which can make the student hyper and/or unfocused.
4. Set aside time each night prior to the test for several weeks to review the concepts that will be covered.
5. Work with teachers and administrators at your child’s school to find materials to work on at home in preparation for the test (IXL).
6. Make sure the student is on time (if not early) on the day of testing.
7. Set a backup alarm to avoid the possibility of oversleeping.
8. If your child is sick please contact the school immediately to inform them.

COME CELEBRATE DR. SEUSS’S BIRTHDAY AND HAVE MUNCHKINS WITH MOMS!
We will celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday on Friday, March 6th from 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the Manzo Library. All families are welcome to come enjoy a Cat in the Hat craft, get a free book, and munch on some munchkin doughnut holes with us! Please dress as your favorite Dr. Seuss character as we will be taking pictures. Not into dressing in costume? We will also be selling Dr. Seuss at Manzo T-Shirts for just $10!