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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to another great year at MTV! One quality that makes Mountview so special is our active parent involvement and we are happy to partner with you to enrich your child's learning and social experiences. Studies show that active parent involvement is positively correlated with student success. We thank you all for your continued support of Mountview Road School and PTA events. We look forward to another year of working together. With that in mind, we offer the following reminders to help things run smoothly and safely.

Safety precautions: All visitors must report first to the main office, through the main entrance of the building. State your reason for visitation, sign-in, and obtain a Visitor pass. Please never open the door to allow someone entrance into the building (even if you know them – they must be announced).

Visitor procedures: Kindly head straight to your specified location after signing in (i.e. cafeteria, media center, etc.). Do not stop at your child's classroom door or linger outside the windows. This interruption can be distracting to instruction. Also, please, never enter the building and head to a teacher's classroom unannounced.

PTA lunch helpers (Hot Lunch, Pizza, Ice Cream, etc.): Lunch is a hectic time and getting hundreds of children to eat in a small window of time, during their favorite social hour, is a challenge! Your assistance in distributing the lunches is helpful. In an effort to not disrupt the procedures in place inside the cafeteria, *we ask that volunteers remain in the hall or the kitchen prep area.* If you need to see your child for some reason, ask an aide; she would be happy to bring him/her out to speak with you. Please keep in mind that kids act differently when their parents are around, so your child's reaction to a normal incident may become intensified if he/she knows you are there. Please, do give him/her a hug and say hello when you see them in the hall, just don't enter the cafeteria and hang by their table.

Recess: Just a reminder that recess is an important social "test" for the students. Children need to be able to make choices (good or bad!) on their own and learn from them. For this reason, parents should not be observing during recess time.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation with these matters and thank you in advance. Should you have a concern about your child's lunch or recess experience, please contact your child's teacher or the Principal. Time is such a precious commodity; thank you for sharing yours with us!

Sincerely,

Carmen Bellino
Principal


Katy McSorley
PTA President

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