

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT COLES SCHOOL**

This year the staff at Coles School has been working to develop a plan for professional development focused on student achievement. The staff developed the following definition:

Student achievement is the development of the total individual to become an independent learner and communicator. It includes a level of progress along a number of continuums addressing different student learning styles: academic proficiencies, social competencies, psychological growth, sports, music and the arts, and responsible citizenship. Student achievement includes ownership of learning, risk taking, motivation, pride and confidence in one's accomplishments.

Workshops, meetings, and professional reading will focus on student achievement. We hope the parent community will join us in embracing this focus.

**RENZULLI LEARNING**

If you want to make the most of [www.renzullilearning.com](http://www.renzullilearning.com), please sign on using your child's user name and password. If you need help, you can contact teachers, Mrs. Romeo in the office, or Renzulli Client Services at (877) 429-1955 from 7:30 am – 8:00 pm, or by e-mail at [csr@renzullilearning.com](mailto:csr@renzullilearning.com). This system is available for use 24/7.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

If you have a child who will be entering kindergarten in September, or know of a child who will be entering kindergarten in September, they must be registered as soon as possible. Actual registration must be completed **in person by the child's parent or guardian**. The following is the schedule for kindergarten registration:

- Registration packets are available in the office now.
- Actual registration will take place in the office beginning February 1 and is on-going. Registration is between the hours of 9:00 am and 11:30 am, and by appointment. Please call the office at 757-7555 to schedule.

**NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION GRADES 1-4**

If you have a child entering grades 1 through 4 at Coles School in September, please follow the above registration procedures.

**REPORT CARD ENVELOPES**

Please remember to return the brown progress report card envelope to your child's teacher. The signature card should be placed inside. Thank you.

**LONG WEEKEND – PRESIDENT'S DAY**

Please remember school will be closed February 12 and 15 in honor of President's Day.

**HEALTH MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE**

Children should not be sent to school when there are symptoms of illness. Please keep your child home until an elevated temperature has returned to normal for at least 24 hours WITHOUT the need for fever-reducing medications. Children returning too soon often appear in the Nurse's Office, they are unable to function in the classroom, and expose others to illness.

**Early Dismissal**

**Parents are requested NOT to ask that children be excused early except when an emergency makes early dismissal unavoidable.** Early dismissal should be arranged through the main office in writing. Students will be called to the office **AFTER** the parent/guardian arrives and signs their child out of school.