

CHARLES G. RESKIN SCHOOL

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Parents and Guardians:

October offered much excitement at Reskin! This past month our students enjoyed the wonderful opportunity of meeting a famous author, Aaron Reynolds. His interactive presentation had students modeling the real life process of an everyday author. Students had the opportunity to read, write, and draw during this presentation. The primary grades were given the opportunity to watch Mr. Reynolds make fresh salsa as he talked about his book *Chicks and Salsa*.

Reskin's first Family Reading Night was a jammed pack evening of guest readers such as Mayor Linda Jackson and Superintendent Dr. Loren May, raffles, and reading stations. The Marquardt Middle School Orchestra welcomed guests with their soft, musical presentation as parents and community members walked through our doors. The night was a huge success with 200 people attending. Family Reading Night was another great opportunity for our school and the community to interact. We appreciate all parents and community members who attended our Family Reading Night and look forward to next year's event!

Last month was the beginning of our new Character Counts program called Reskin Stars. Students who demonstrate good behavior may receive a Reskin Stars Character Counts slip if they are caught by a staff member modeling good behavior. These slips are based on the 6 pillars of good character, such as Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship. At the end of the week, Student Council draws a name from each grade level jar for a weekly winner. These winners receive a prize, along with their picture taken. This picture is hung outside of the office. Our students are off to a wonderful start!

Please mark your calendar for our upcoming **Parent Teacher Conferences on Monday, November 23rd from 1- 8p.m.** If you have not signed up for a conference, please call your child's teacher as soon as possible to schedule a meeting. If you have signed up for a conference, a reminder will be sent home to your home with your scheduled date and time. Parent Teacher Conferences are a wonderful opportunity for parents and staff to share information about students that will assist both staff and parents in their efforts to improve student performance. As a home-school partnership we strive to make sure students are enjoying school and excelling academically.

****Kindergarten parents will have conferences on Friday, November 20th during the entire school day and on Monday, November 23rd from 1- 8p.m.**

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Jacob T. Engler
Principal