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# INTERMEDIATE INSIGHTS September, 2006

*WELCOME to our first edition of Intermediate Insights for the 2006 - 2007 school year! This monthly publication will come home with your child, in addition to being posted on our website at [www.dist50.net/intermediate](http://www.dist50.net/intermediate). Regular features of our newsletter will contain a calendar (see reverse), updates on our school improvement efforts, tidbits about staff and students, and a host of reminders and other important information to keep you "in the know." Should you ever have ideas for contributions to our monthly newsletter, please don't hesitate to share those with us. We look forward to your continued interest in and support of our learning community!*

*~Your Intermediate School Administrative Team*

## INFORMATION 101

There is a wide range of information about the Intermediate School and upcoming events and activities available to parents and students. Our Main Office has numerous flyers and brochures that parents and students are welcome to take, and our website provides access to our online Intermediate School calendar, Intermediate Insights newsletter, as well as other important school and district information. Please be sure to check with your child at the end of each week for any information that may have been sent home with him or her from their classroom.

### "R" is for RESPONSIBILITY

Fourth and fifth graders have many opportunities to practice being responsible about bringing home homework and other items from school each night. Your child's assignment notebook is a vital tool that promotes responsibility and allows parents to keep track of daily homework, as well as upcoming tests and activities. Remembering to bring essential items home every day reduces the need to return to school after normal student (3:00) and staff (3:25) hours when the classroom wings have been locked and personnel to escort individuals to classrooms may not be available, not to mention that students feel proud about their accomplishments. Thank you for all of your efforts in helping our students be more responsible.

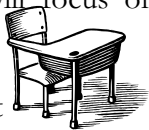
### LOST & FOUND

Students and parents are welcome to check our "lost and found" closet located in the main office. Items that are not picked up by their owner after an extended period of time may be donated to charity. To alleviate losing valuable items, jackets, gloves, lunchboxes, etc., please label all of your child's belongings.

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

Areas of focus for this year's school improvement efforts at Woodland Intermediate will focus on five main areas.

- Literacy
- Assessment
- Problem solving for student interventions
- Student discipline and motivation
- Staff climate and culture



Our ongoing staff development activities will provide opportunities for our staff to increase their knowledge and skills in these areas, ultimately resulting in higher levels of growth and achievement for our students. Stay tuned for updates in this newsletter regarding the various school improvement initiatives and activities going on at the Intermediate School. 🌱

## **Together Everyone Achieves More!**

Kids learn best when parents and teachers work as a team. Be sure to attend Curriculum Night (4<sup>th</sup> Gr. 9/6; 5<sup>th</sup> Gr. 9/7) to get to know your child's teachers, schedule, and classroom expectations. Look for sign-up sheets that night for a variety of volunteer opportunities, including field trip chaperones, classroom helpers, parties, Family School Partnership, and alternative recess activity supervision. Throughout the year, keep the lines of communication open with the school and make sure your child maintains good attendance. When parents and teachers work together, the results can be powerful for our children!!

