



2018 – 2019

HANDBOOK

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Board of Education meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. every three weeks (Thursdays) at the Ceres Unified School District Office, 2503 Lawrence Street. *The public is welcome to attend.* You access the Board Agenda by going to www.ceres.k12.ca.us (click on Board of Trustees)

VIRGINIA PARKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
1021 Moffett Road, Modesto, CA 95351
556-1670

OFFICE HOURS
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

DIRECTORY
Jennifer Backman - - - - -Principal
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REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

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| 8:15-8:30 | Yard Open |
| 8:30 | Classes Begin-Gr.TK-6 |
| 10:30-10:40 | Recess-Gr.1 |
| 10:15-10:25 | Recess-Gr.2 (Wednesdays) |
| 10:40-10:50 | Recess-Gr.2 & 3 |
| 10:50-11:10 | Recess-Gr.5 & LH |
| 11:00-11:20 | Recess-Gr.4 |
| 11:15-11:35 | Recess-Gr.4 (Mondays) |
| 11:10-11:30 | Recess-Gr. 6 |
| 11:20-12:05 | Recess-TK |
| 11:20-12:05 | Lunch Plaa/TBD (Fridays) |
| 11:35-12:20 | Lunch-Gr.1 |
| 11:45-12:30 | Lunch-Gr.2 |
| 11:55-12:40 | Lunch-Gr.3 |
| 12:00-12:45 | Kindergarten |
| 12:10-12:55 | Lunch Gr. 4 |
| 12:10-12:55 | Lunch Gr. 5 (Wednesdays) |
| 12:20-1:05 | Lunch Gr. 4 (Wednesdays) |
| 12:20-1:05 | Lunch Gr. 5 & LH |
| 12:30-1:15 | Lunch Gr. 6 |
| 1:45-1:55 | Recess-Gr.1 |
| 1:55-2:05 | Recess-Gr.2 |
| 2:05-2:15 | Recess-Gr.3 |
| 2:35 | Dismissal of TK & Kindergarten |
| 2:45 | Dismissal of students who walk or have parent transportation. |
| 3:15 | Dismissal of students who ride the bus. |
| 3:15-4:45 | After School Retention/Prevention tutoring. |

Breakfast is served in the cafeteria beginning at 7:50a.m.
The grounds are OPEN for pupils at 8:15 a.m. Classes begin PROMPTLY at 8:30 a.m. NOTE: Pupils are not to be on school grounds before 8:15 a.m.
Visitors must sign-in in the front office before entering campus

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Students,

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome back all of our returning Virginia Parks Panther's and their families, as well as those of you who are new to us this year! There are many exciting things in store for the students at Virginia Parks as well as the students in the CUSD. I would like to take a moment to thank all of our families, community, staff and our PTC for staying focused on the main thing "instruction" and ensuring high levels of learning for ALL students. As we have transitioned into the common core, I commend our staff and teachers for working hard to provide our students with high expectations and a standards-based education.

As many of you are aware. Ceres Unified School District is a 1:World district. As we enter into the 2018-19 school year, ALL students will continue to have a technology device checked out to them. Beginning the first week of school ALL students in grades Transitional Kindergarten-6th grade will receive a New Chromebook that they will use throughout the school year. This Chromebook will be assigned to this student for the next few years. As technology plays a large part in 21st century learning and having the devices in the classroom enables students to access online resources, research instantly, collaborate and communicate in ways that were not possible before. This has also equalized the playing field for students in preparation for career and college. The district has and will continue to meet the goal which is to equip students and teachers with the right tools to enhance classroom learning, this will support the student's path to become college and career ready. Back to school night is Tuesday August 14th for this school year. It is critical for you to be informed and attend the parent informational evening if you did not attend last school year. There is an affordable insurance plan available for \$10.00 a student. We can begin collecting the insurance cost beginning in July. If you plan to insure the device that will be given to your student you must take care of this at the beginning of the school year. All students will be issued a device within the first 2 weeks of school beginning even if insurance is not purchased. We will continue to use #PantherPride as we post to social media. Please follow us on Facebook "Virginia Parks Elementary" and on Twitter "Virginia_Parks_Elem."

We welcome our new staff members joining us for the 2018-19 school year. Mrs. Borofka and Miss Pacheco will join our kindergarten team. Mrs. Brister will join our 5th grade team. Miss Musselman will join our LH Special Day Class. Mrs. Puccinelli will be moving to 3rd grade and Mrs. Stanhope will be our Intervention Teacher. Mrs. Lopez has accepted the Office Manager Position and the new secretary is Annette Schopp. Mr. Adame will be the new Assistant Principal at Central Valley High School and joining our team at Virginia Parks as the Assistant Principal is Mr. Ryan Schwartz.

We want to thank you for your continued support with checking in and signing in to the office before entering campus, ensuring safety for all of our students. Our goal is to make sure that all staff and students have a safe and secure learning environment. If you are planning to observe or assist in the classroom, please remember to contact the teachers and make arrangements 24 hours prior to the day you are requesting to join them. You must also complete the Volunteer application if you have not already done so in the past 2 years.

I also want to again recognize our PTC which consists of parents and teachers. They have provided many wonderful opportunities for students and families, from Family Safety Night, Cookie Dough Fundraiser, Fall Harvest Festival, Family Reading Night, PEP Health/Science Night, Family Valentine's Dance, and many other activities. We appreciate all of their hard work and efforts. We are still looking for volunteers to join our PTC to help support our students and staff. If you are interested please contact the office for details.

Sincerely,

Ms. Backman

AUGUST 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| | | Back to School Night, 6:15-7:30PM | First day of school Emergency cards sent home | | P.E. Make-up TK/Kinder 12:15-1:05PM; 1:10-2:00PM Dress Up Day Theme: VP colors | |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| | P.E. Intermediate | PTC meeting 5PM Fall Pictures | P.E. Primary/Intermediate | | P.E. TK/Kinder | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |
| | P.E. Intermediate | Jog-a-thon | P.E. Primary P.E. Make-up TK/Kinder 12:15-1:05PM Early Release Day Tk/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM | | P.E. TK/Kinder | |

Virginia Parks Elementary School Mission Statement

“To ensure high levels of learning for all.”

In order to accomplish our goals Virginia Parks students will:

- *excel in basic skills of reading, math, language arts, social studies and science
- *become technologically literate
- *develop good communication skills
- *be critical thinkers and problem solvers
- *be able to access and search for information using a variety of resources
- *strive towards physical and emotional wellness
- *become environmentally knowledgeable and globally aware
- *be artistically balanced
- *have positive values reinforced
- *work in harmony with peers and adults

PTC * PARENT/TEACHER CLUB (PTC Dues \$5.00)

PTC is an organization of parents and teachers designed to assist the school in its educational mission. Our PTC has several informative sessions, plans special activities for students, and helps to build communication between the school and home. Meetings are noted on the calendar.

All sessions are open to interested parents and community members. The sessions are set-up so that you may commit to a specific activity. This will leave you free to choose only one or as many activities you wish to help with. Please join. Thank You

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

School Site Council is composed of parents and staff and oversees the special programs at school, funded through state involvement in the school improvement process. If you are interested in serving on the School Site Council, please call Jennifer Backman, Principal, at 556-1670.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

We encourage volunteers in the classroom and hope you will find some time during the year to work at school. We always need volunteers. Below are some of the activities you might be interested in:

1. Homeroom mothers to assist with class celebrations during the year.
2. Field Trip chaperones
3. Classroom assistance with special learning activities such as art, cooking, and special projects.
4. One to one or small group tutoring of students
5. Reading to students
6. Assistance with special school programs.

****Please Note:** A VAP application must be submitted and approved before being able to volunteer. TB Test is also required for all parent volunteers. Please call the school health clerk for more information. Also when volunteering in the classroom, younger children are **NOT** allowed.

VIRGINIA PARKS NEWSLETTER/WEB SITE

Once a month, a newsletter will be sent home with our students. This newsletter contains a great deal of information about students, programs and projects happening at Virginia Parks.

Watch for the newsletter and if you're not getting it at home tell your child you would like it to be brought home regularly so you can keep up with what's happening at school.

Also please check our website at <http://vp.ceres.k12.ca.us/>

SCHOOL YEAR

Our school year is organized into 3 trimesters. Progress Reports are sent home in the middle of each trimester for grades 1-6. Report cards are given at Parent Conferences.

MINIMUM DAY PARENT CONFERENCE DATES

October 8 – October 12, 2018

This week will be Minimum Days with grades 1-6 being dismissed at 12:45pm Daily. TK/Kinder at 12:35p.m. daily. Optional Conferences-January 24 & 25, 2019

Our teachers schedule conferences with parents to report student progress. Conferences with your child's teacher develop a mutual understanding of the child and help make his/her time in school a happy, productive experience. It is very important that you attend these conferences. We will strive to set appointments for parents on a schedule that is convenient for you during Parent Conference Week.

SEPTEMBER 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 Labor Day School/District Closed | 4 | 5 Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM P.E. Primary P.E. Make-up TK/Kinder 12:15-1:05 PM | 6 Hearing Screening, Grades TK/K, 1, 2, 5, SDC | 7 P.E. TK/Kinder | 8 |
| 9 | 10 P.E. Intermediate Fall Student Council Application Available | 11 PTC Event 6:00PM First day of AIP grades 1-6 | 12 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 13 | 14 Life Skills Assembly Respect/Responsibility Prim.-9:00AM Inter.-1:30PM P.E. TK/Kinder Fall Student Council Application Due Dress Up Day Theme: Western Day | 15 |
| 16 | 17 P.E. Intermediate | 18 | 19 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 20 | 21 P.E. TK/Kinder Fall Student Council Election Day | 22 |
| 23 | 24 P.E. Intermediate | 25 Vision Screening TK/K, 1, 2, 5, Preschool, SPED | 26 P.E. Primary P.E. Make-up TK/K 12:15-105PM Early Release Day TK/K 1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM | 27 | 28 P.E. TK/Kinder | 29 |
| 30 | | | | | | |

INTERIM PROGRESS REPORT DATES

January 11, 2019

Interim Progress Reports will be issued to parents between the regular reporting periods so that we can keep you informed about how your child is progressing. These reports will be sent to you midway between each grading period.

MINIMUM DAY SCHEDULE

Students in grades 1-6, will be dismissed from school at 12:45p.m.
TK and Kindergarten students will be dismissed from school at 12:35p.m.

EARLY RELEASE DAY SCHEDULE

Students in grades 1-6 will be dismissed from school at 1:50PM
TK and Kindergarten students will be dismissed from school at 1:40PM

WHEN YOUR CHILD IS TARDY-If your child arrives at school after 8:30a.m. he/she will be marked tardy. Please bring your child to the office to obtain a pass to be admitted to class.

WHEN YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT

The Ceres School District is using a computerized attendance system at the elementary level. This enables the district to keep up to date, accurate records. Your assistance is needed if this program is to work efficiently. **PLEASE CALL 556-1670 TO REPORT/CLEAR AN ABSENCE.**

Board Policy 5113 reads in part:

When students who have been absent return to school, the Board requires that they present a satisfactory explanation verifying the reason for the absence. The following methods may be used to verify student absences:

1. Written note from parent/guardian or a parent-representative.
2. Conversation, in person or by telephone, between the verifying employee and the student's parent/guardian or parent-representative. Subsequent written recording of the conversation will include the following: a) Name of student. B) Name of parent, guardian, or parent-representative. C) Name of verifying employee. D) Date or dates of absence. E) Reason for absence.
3. Visit to the student's home by the verifying employee.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. Make every effort to have your child in school, on time, every day.
2. If your child is absent contact the school by telephone or send a note on his/her return.
3. If your child is going to be out for reasons other than illness (family emergency, trip, etc.) contact the school to arrange for independent study.

CHRONIC HEALTH PROBLEMS:

If your child has a chronic health problem such as diabetes, epilepsy, asthma, allergic reactions, etc., please notify the school and your child's teacher. This allows them to plan for any needs your child might have. Eye exam reports are also important to share with the nurse in order to plan your child's school program.

MEDICATIONS:

Education Code, Section 11753.1, allows schools to assist in the administration of medications prescribed by a child's physician. The medication should be brought to school by the parent in a pharmacy-labeled container. An authorization form signed by the physician and parent must accompany the medication. These forms are available in the school office and must be renewed each year. Medication prescribed for only a few days, or over the counter medication is also not allowed at school without a physician's prescription or authorization.

HEAD LICE: Students returning to school after an absence for head lice will be checked and should be brought to school by a parent.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

On days your child must be absent for reasons other than illness, for 5-10 days, an appointment with the Principal or Administrative Assistant must be at least 3 days in advance, and student may be able to continue his/her studies through assigned work. Your child will be given credit for the days absent and the school district will receive state funds if the assignments are complete.

TELEPHONING

Please call 556-1670 anytime to clear an absence— day or night. If an absence is not cleared, parents may receive an auto- mated phone call alerting to contact the school office. If you do not have a telephone or are unable to reach the school be sure to send a note explaining the absence with your child upon his/her return.

OCTOBER 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 P.E. Intermediate | 2 Fall picture retakes | 3 Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM P.E. Primary No AIP | 4 | 5 P.E. TK/Kinder | 6 |
| 7 | 8 Parent Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM P.E. Intermediate | 9 Parent Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM No AIP PTC Meeting 5PM | 10 Parent Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM P.E. Primary No AIP | 11 Parent Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM P.E. Make-up Intermediate No AIP School Site Council 8:30AM | 12 Parent Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM | 13 |
| 14 | 15 P.E. Intermediate Hearing Screen Make-up | 16 AIP Resumes | 17 P.E. Primary Intermediate | 18 | 19 Life Skills Assembly Honesty/Integrity Prim-9:00AM; Inter-1:30PM P.E. TK/Kinder Dress Up Day Theme: Pink Breast Cancer Awareness Day | 20 |
| 21 | 22 P.E. Intermediate Red Ribbon Week | 23 Red Ribbon Week | 24 Red Ribbon Week P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 25 Red Ribbon Week | 26 Red Ribbon Week P.E. TK/Kinder | 27 PTC Fall Harvest Festival 11:30-2:00PM |
| 28 | 29 School Closed/District Open | 30 | 31 Early Release TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM P.E. Make-up Primary/Intermediate | | | |

ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The After School Program is available Monday through Friday, including minimum days, immediately after school until 6:00pm. Students are provided a snack, immediately followed by the academic session for 1 ½ hours (3:15-4:45pm). During this time students that do not need intervention support are given time to work on homework assignments and receive academic enrichment activities aligned to the regular school day. Students enrolled in intervention will receive extra support in reading and math, based on the AIP program (Academic Intervention Program).

The academic session serves all students by providing extra support through intervention in reading and math to students referred as at-risk or recommended for retention or not meeting achievement standards. Students meeting academic standards will have challenging science and social studies activities provided to them. We will continue to provide teachers on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays to support and deliver instruction during the academic session. ***Your child's teacher will determine if your child is at-risk of being retained or not meeting achievement standards.***

Following the academic component, students are walked to the cafeteria, checked-in by the recreation staff. **This procedure is to ensure the safety of all children during the transition from academics to recreation/enrichment activities.**

- Students not picked up by 4:45pm will be escorted to the cafeteria and checked-in and transitioned to the recreation/enrichment component of the program.
- If you are arriving **before** 4:45pm to pick your child up, you must check-out your child from the program by signing the early release log (check-out log) in the cafeteria.

Early checkout policy for AIP/ELD (t, w, th) Students will only be allowed six early checkouts (before 4:45p.m.) on the seventh checkout your child will be disenrolled from the program.

Attending the After School Program will benefit your child no matter what his/her academic needs because of the two different academic strands (intervention for students at risk of retention and challenging for students at grade level or above).

The After School Program is a great opportunity for your child to have a safe, structured place to be after school, each day until 6:00pm.

Transportation is NOT available for the After School Program, in most cases. Together, we can ensure your child's academic success.

For more information on this program please contact Educational Options Department (EOD) at 556-155 0 in the Ceres Unified District Office.

School -Wide Rules:

Virginia Parks students will:

1. Follow directions first time given
2. Obey all adults who work at school
3. Stay in designated areas
4. Use playground equipment properly
5. Use appropriate language
6. Not use inappropriate body contact or any contact that could hurt themselves or others.

SCHOOL-WIDE DISCIPLINE POLICY

Virginia Parks has a school-wide discipline policy developed by staff. This policy supports each teacher's classroom plan and provides a safe and orderly environment within which students can study, learn and grow. Below are Virginia Parks' school-wide rules. Whenever a student is having difficulty following school or classroom rules, parents will be contacted. This contact ensures that together we can help our students become successful and productive.

Consequences:

If Virginia Parks students choose not to follow these rules, they can expect to receive a citation. A copy of the citation will be sent home. Parents are requested to sign the form and return it to the child's teacher. After 6 citations a student may receive a suspension.

NOVEMBER 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | P.E. TK/Kinder | |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| | P.E. Intermediate | | P.E. Primary/Intermediate School Site Council 1-2:30PM | | End of Trimester Patriotic Assembly 9:00AM P.E. TK.Kinder P.E. Make-up Intermediate | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| | School Closed/District Closed | PTC meeting 5PM | P.E. Primary/Intermediate | | Life Skills Assembly Cooperation/Effort Prim.-9:00AM; Inter.-1:30PM P.E. TK/Kinder Dress Up Day: Theme TBD | |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | P.E. Intermediate | Singsational No AIP | No AIP Honor Roll/Perfect Attendance Inter.-9AM; Perfect Attendance Prim. -1:30PM P.E. Intermediate Report Cards Sent Home | School Closed/District Closed | School Closed/District Closed | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |
| | P.E. Intermediate | AIP Resumes | Early Release Day TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM P.E. Primary | Book Fair begins | Book Fair P.E. TK/Kinder | |

Suspension:

The following behaviors may result in an automatic suspension from school (State Law Education Code Section 48900)

1. Physical injury to another person
2. Disruption of school activities or defiance of school authorities
3. Commission of obscene acts or engagement in habitual profanity or vulgarity
4. Damage to or theft of school or private property
5. Possession or sale of weapons
6. Possession or sale of drugs, alcoholic beverages or intoxicants
7. Possession or use of tobacco

A conference with parents is required before a student may return to school after being suspended.

Life skills for School Work Success

- * Respect: To show regard for self and others
- * Responsibility: To be accountable for one's actions and to follow through on tasks
- * Honesty: To be truthful and fair in dealing with others.
- * Integrity: To conduct oneself according to a sense of what is right and wrong
- * Cooperation: To work with others towards a common goal or purpose.
- * Effort: To be willing to work one's hardest.
- * Work Ethic: To understand the importance of doing one's best.
- * Perseverance: To continue in spite of difficulties.
- * Common Sense: To use good judgment.
- * Organization: Being prepared and ready.
- * Promptness: Being on time.
- * Commitment: Completing a task.

STUDENT AWARDS FOR GOOD CITIZENSHIP

At Virginia Parks, we have a strong commitment to helping students reach their greatest potential. Learning self-control and self-discipline is essential for success. Consequently, we provide praise and rewards for those students who follow classroom and school rules and demonstrate good citizenship.

These awards may vary but may include:

1. "Super Student" Program
2. Individual Classroom Awards and Rewards
3. Monthly Life skill awards (2 students per class)
4. Attendance Award -for good attendance.
5. Every Day Counts

We are proud of our students and want to recognize their many contributions to a positive school climate.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Eligibility: Eligibility for academic awards is based on academic grades.

When: Students are recognized at three award assemblies, each held at the end of the three trimesters.

Honor Roll: Fourth, fifth and sixth grade students will qualify for Honor Roll if they attain an average of 3.0 -3.49 or above on their report cards with no D's or F's.

Principal's Honor Roll: Fourth, fifth and sixth grade students who have attained an average of 3.5 - 3.99 on their report cards with no D's or F's.

Straight "A" Honor Roll/Academic Excellence : Fourth, fifth, sixth grade students who have attained an average of 4.0 on their report cards.

Presidential Award for Educational Achievement : Sixth grade students are selected based on the following:

1. Grade Point Average: Students are to earn an A- (3.7 to 4.0) grade point average.
2. Standardized Achievement Test: Students are to achieve in the 85~ percentile or higher in reading and math.

Students are recognized at an Honor Reception at the end of the year.

CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR

Although each teacher may establish additional rules for the classroom, all students must follow these rules:

- *Go to class on time.
- *Respond to person of authority.
- *Obtain help when needed.
- *Use your time wisely.
- *Attend school regularly.
- *Complete all assignments.
- *Work as directed.

When there is a substitute for the regular teacher, all rules and regulations apply.

DECEMBER 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 P.E. Intermediate Book Fair | 4 PTC Family Reading Night 6:15PM | 5 Book Fair P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 6 Book Fair | 7 P.E. TK/Kinder | 8 |
| 9 | 10 P.E. Intermediate | 11 | 12 Early Release Day TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM P.E. Primary | 13 | 14 P.E. TK/Kinder | 15 |
| 16 | 17 P.E. Intermediate | 18 No AIP | 19 Band/Choir Performance 1:30PM P.E. Primary/Intermediate No AIP | 20 No AIP Last day of school Dress Up Day Theme: Pajama Day | 21 School Closed/District Open | 22 |
| 23 | 24 School/District Closed | 25 School/District Closed | 26 School Closed/District Open | 27 School Closed/District Open | 28 School Closed/District Open | 29 |
| 30 | 31 School/District Closed | | | | | |

K-6 Dress Code

DRESS AND GROOMING

From Board Policy #5132

The parents/guardians of the Ceres Unified School District are charged with the responsibility of dressing their children in a neat and clean manner. In addition, under normal circumstances, no student will be sent to school wearing any kind of clothing, costume, and/or hair style which will tend to interrupt, disturb, or interfere with the normal educational program being carried on, either on the campus or in the classroom, or negatively affect the health and safety of individuals. The students must dress in such manner that will conform to good taste. Explicit or implied profanities and/or obscenities will not be acceptable. Any items of clothing, jewelry, footwear, or headgear which would be injurious or potentially disruptive to the normal educational program or to any person or school district property are prohibited.

(cf. 6136 Gangs)

These guidelines numbered 1-11 shall be in effect at all school-related activities except where modified by the site administrator for specific extracurricular activities or specific cases.

1. All clothing, including jackets, shoes, and head coverings that may be determined to be gang related are not allowed.
2. Accessories, such as jewelry, belts, bandannas, purses, and sunglasses which have logos, insignias, color, or writings depicting gang related activities are not allowed.
3. Attire that is worn or altered in such a way as to identify students with gangs is not allowed. This includes, but is not limited to: sagging/baggy pants, shorts with knee high socks, hanging belts, canvas belts (military style), or gang related initials on belt buckles.
4. Pants must fit at the waist and not be more than one size too large or one size too small. If belts are worn, they must not be more than one size too large.
5. Attire which is sexually suggestive or extremely brief is not allowed. This includes, but is not limited to: low-cut garments, strapless or off the shoulder tops, straps less than two inches in width, bare midriffs, tank tops/racer-back tops or muscle shirts, undershirts, tops that expose undergarments, shorts which are shorter than mid-thigh or fingertip length, and skirts shorter than fingertip length.
6. Attire that advocates, advertises or symbolizes any type of alcohol, drugs, tobacco or acts which are illegal, violent, obscene, or hazardous to one's health is not allowed.
7. Shoes must be worn at all times. Flip-flops, socks or sock-like footwear, slippers, backless shoes, or shoes with over a one inch heel are not safe or appropriate for school.
8. Clothing, jewelry, and other accessories that present a safety hazard to the wearer or others are not allowed. Facial piercings other than ear lobes are not allowed.
9. Facial makeup is not allowed, nor is non-natural hair color that creates a distraction
10. In accordance with Educational Code 35183.5 hats or other head coverings may be worn at school, while outdoors. Such hats or head coverings must be school appropriate and follow the various guidelines enumerated in this policy.
11. Sunglasses may not be worn in school buildings.

Exhibit CERES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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JANUARY 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | School/District Closed | School Closed/District Open | School Closed/District Open | School Closed/District Open | |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | School Closed/District Open | School Resumes No AIP | P.E. Primary/Intermediate No AIP | No AIP | P.E. TK/Kinder | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| | P.E. Intermediate | PTC Meeting 5PM AIP Resumes | P.E. Primary/Intermediate | | Life Skills Assembly Work Ethic/Perseverance Prim.-9:00AM; Inter.-1:30PM P.E. TK/Kinder Dress Up Day Theme: TBD | |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| | School/District Closed | | P.E. Primary/Intermediate | Optional Parent/Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM P.E. Make-up Intermediate No AIP | Optional Parent/Teacher Conferences Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |
| | P.E. Intermediate | 6th grade camp | Early Release Day TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM P.E. Primary 6th grade camp | 6th grade camp | | |

HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS:

Philosophy: Homework is designed to reinforce or practice skills taught in class, to help students develop a sense of responsibility, and give parents an opportunity to be involved in the learning process and progress which promote a home/school connection.

KINDERGARTEN

Time Frame: Up to 10 minutes per day.

Types of Assignments: Reading, Math and Language Arts

FIRST GRADE

Time Frame: Up to 20 minutes per night.

Type of Assignments: Weekly packets, Reading, Math, Spelling, Language Arts, and Special Projects

SECOND GRADE

Time Frame: 20-30 minutes per night

Types of Assignments: Weekly packets, Reading, Math, Spelling, Language Arts, and Special Projects

THIRD GRADE

Time Frame: Up to 30 minutes per night

Types of Assignments: Daily Reading, Math, Spelling, Language Arts, Test Practice, Reports and Special Projects

FOURTH GRADE

Time Frame: Up to 45 minutes per night

Types of Assignments: Daily Reading, Math, Spelling, Language Arts, Test Practice, Reports, Special Projects

FIFTH GRADE

Time Frame: Up to 50-60 minutes per night.

Types of Assignments: Daily Reading, Math, Spelling, Language Arts, Test Practice, Reports, Special Projects

SIXTH GRADE

Time Frame: Up to 60 minutes per night

Types of Assignments: Daily Reading, Math, Spelling, Language Arts, Test Practice, Reports, some long term special Projects, Science and Social Studies.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Each student will be checking out books from the school library. Students are responsible for the materials that they check out. Books are to be returned promptly and in good condition. If a book is lost or damaged, it needs to be paid for before a student may check out any other materials.

Kindergartners will be taking home books in January. All books are checked out for one week but can be renewed. There will be a one-book limit for grades kindergarten through second and a two-book limit for grades third through sixth. Students may not check out books if anything is overdue. Classes will go to the library each week.

SAFETY

Pick-Up at End of School Day: All adults are requested to wait in front of school. Students not picked up by 3:00 pm will be sent to the cafeteria. Parents will be requested to fill-out an ASES form to pick their child up from the cafeteria, as needed.

Loading and Unloading Pupils: We strongly emphasize that guests observe the legal parking in the parking lot at all times. **Parents are asked to park their car and walk to the front of the school, and then walk their child back to car, in order to insure child's safety.** Parents may park by curb or in designated spaces. Only authorized personnel and school buses are allowed in the kindergarten parking lot. *Tickets can or will be issued by Ceres Police Department.*

Loitering: Loitering on school grounds is illegal and is cause for concern for child safety. In addition, the noise is disruptive to the learning process of the pupils.

Smoking: Smoking is illegal on school grounds and sets a poor example for children.

No skateboards, hover boards, scooters, bikes or skate shoes.

FEBRUARY 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-----------|---|---|--|--|---|-----------|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| | | | | | P.E. TK/Kinder 6th grade camp | |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | P.E. Intermediate | | P.E. Primary/Intermediate | | Life Skills Assembly Common Sense/ Organization Prim.-9:00AM; Inter.-1:30PM P.E. TK/Kinder Dress Up Day Theme: TBD | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | P.E. Intermediate Valentine's Grams Sold | Valentine's Grams Sold PTC Meeting 5PM | P.E. Primary/Intermediate Valentine's Grams Sold | No AIP Winter Performance TK/K, 2,4,6-9:00AM; 1,3,5-9:45AM PTC Family Dance 6:00PM | School/District Closed | |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| | School/District Closed | School Closed/District Open | School Closed/District Open | School Closed/District Open | School Closed/District Open | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | | |
| | P.E. Intermediate School Resumes | AIP Resumes | Early Release Day TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM P.E. Primary | | | |

SCHOOL DAY

The school day is from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 pm. Monday through Friday. Students are to come directly to school from home and go directly home on dismissal from school. Walkers or students picked-up by parents may leave at 2:45pm. Bus riders will be picked-up by 3:15pm. On the way home, students are not to cross elementary or high school campuses, or loiter around elementary schools or the high school.

SECURITY PROCEDURES

The following information is very important for the safety and security of your child while at school.

Visitors: **Adult volunteers and visitors are to check in at the office prior to going to the classroom.** Teachers will notify the office of whom they will be visiting, or if they are volunteering in the classroom. Requests to visit classroom will be scheduled by classroom teacher and/or principal. **During class time, teachers will be instructing students and unable to talk to adults.** Virginia Parks School uses utmost care in not interrupting classrooms during learning time.

Student Release: Occasionally you will need to take your child out of school during the day. When this happens please:

1. Check in at the office. The secretary will call the child to the office.
2. The only adults to who students may be released are parents, legal guardians and those adults who have been listed on the emergency card. (A copy of court orders should be on file in the office)
3. If someone other than the above named people are to pick up your child, please do the following:

A. Call the school office, give the secretary your child's name and the name of the person picking up your child.

Or

B. Send a note with your child indicating who will be picking the child up, THEN CALL TO CONFIRM THIS CHANGE.

CHANGE OF CHILD'S REGULAR BUS ROUTE

Very few students are bussed, but if your child is a "bussed student" and you want your child to ride a different bus for reasons such as childcare arrangements or other needs, please do the following

A. Call the school (556-1670) and give secretary information about the temporary bus change.

or

B. Send a note with the child indicating the change. **THE NOTE MUST BE CONFIRMED BY A PHONE CALL.**

FOGGY DAY BUS SCHEDULES AND PROCEDURES

IT IS REQUESTED THAT YOU DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOLS, DISTRICT OFFICE OR TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT ON FOGGY DAYS. It is important that these lines be kept open for bus driver reports and any emergency calls.

PLEASE LISTEN TO YOUR RADIO STATION FOR REPORTS OR CALL 538-0266.

If fog conditions require a delay in the bus schedules, the following procedures will be in effect.

1. The transportation department will make a decision in the morning if the buses are to be late picking children up...
PLEASE LISTEN TO THE RADIO.
2. If the buses are late, the initial delay will be for one hour (this means your child will be picked up an hour later than normal). Cooperating radio stations will begin making these announcements at approximately 6:45 a.m.
3. If the conditions require a further delay, announcements will be made by the radio stations.
4. All schools will maintain regular starting times on foggy days.
5. Afternoon take-home times will normally be at the regular times.
If cancellations of these runs are required, announcements will be made on the radio.

Hopefully foggy day procedures will not have to be used, however if it is necessary, your cooperation is appreciated.

Cooperating Radio Stations making schedule announcements:
KMJX (98 FM) KLOC (920 AM) KTRB (104FM)
KO93 (93FM) KFIC (1360 AIvI) KBEE (103FM)

MARCH 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|----------|
| | | | | | 1 P.E. TK/Kinder | 2 |
| 3 | 4 P.E. Intermediate | 5 School to Career Day | 6 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 7 School Site Council 1:00PM | 8 End of Trimester P.E. TK/Kinder | 9 |
| 10 | 11 P.E. Intermediate | 12 Family PEP Night 6:15PM | 13 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 14 | 15 P.E. TK/Kinder Honor Roll/ Perfect Attendance Inter.-9:00AM; Perfect Attendance Prim.-10:15AM | 16 |
| 17 | 18 P.E. Intermediate | 19 Spring Pictures | 20 P.E. Primary/Intermediate Report Cards Sent Home | 21 Life Skill Assembly Promptness/Commitment Prim.-9:00AM; Inter.-1:30PM Dress Up Day Theme: TBD | 22 School Closed/District Open | 23 |
| 24 | 25 P.E. Intermediate | 26 | 27 P.E. Primary Early Release TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM | 28 | 29 P.E. TK/Kinder P.E. Make-up Intermediate | 30 |
| 31 | | | | | | |

CAFETERIA

Students may purchase hot meals in the cafeteria. Students must pay for lunch in the cafeteria before school in the morning. Parents are encouraged to pay for lunches a week or month in advance.

- Costs and prices
 - Lunch Meal Prices: High school & Jr. High \$2.85
Elementary Lunch \$2.35
 - Breakfast Meal Prices for Whitmore Charter: \$1.50 (*Free for all other school sites*)
 - Ala Carte Milk: \$.40
- Options for payment
 - Current charges can be paid at the school site or Child Nutrition office.
 - Past year's delinquent debt can be paid at the Child Nutrition office only.
 - *Payment can be made on-line through the Child Nutrition tab on the CUSD website.*
 - *Credit Card and Debit Card payments can be made at the Child Nutrition office.*

Debt Collection

- Current-year balance
 - Billing is sent/mailed home weekly.
 - Phone calls are made from the Child Nutrition office on high balances (over \$50).
- Unrecovered/Delinquent Debt
 - School sites make calls home to recover previous year's debt.
- Implications of unpaid debt
 - Student can be prevented from participating in **non-curricular activities**.
 - Examples: Winter formal, Senior Prom, Senior Trip, 8th grade trip, walking the stage at graduation, etc.
- Non-discrimination for failure to pay, including protection from overt identification
 - Regardless of meal status, students are **not** served an alternative meal (something different than what is on the menu).

Annual Notifications to Parents/Guardians

- Annual mailing: Sent out to household in mass mailing with application packet each school year.
- Location on website: Currently on the district website under the Child Nutrition tab.

SCHOOL HEALTH INFORMATION

Health Conditions:

It is very important to tell your child's teacher and the school nurse about any chronic illnesses or conditions your child might have. The school can then be prepared for any emergency and know how to best care for your child.

If your child must miss school for a length of time due to health reasons, please contact the school to arrange for a home teacher.

First Aid:

The teacher, secretary, health clerk or school nurse will administer first aid in case of accidents. The school nurse divides her time among several schools and is at Virginia Parks approximately one day a week. A health clerk is also available five days a week.

In case of emergencies, if we are unable to reach you we will call the numbers listed on your registration card or the hospital if necessary. **Please make sure your emergency numbers are current and correct.**

Medications:

Education Code, Section 11753.1 allows schools to assist in the administration of medications prescribed by a child's physician. The medication should be brought to school by the parent in a pharmacy labeled container. An authorization form signed by the physician and parent must accompany the medication. These forms are available in the school nurse's office. This applies to all medications including those ordered for only a few days and over the counter medication prescribed by the physician.

Nutritional Snacks:

At the first recess, students are allowed to eat nutritional snacks.

Rules:

1. Only bring nutritional snacks
2. Snacks are to be eaten under the supervision of a teacher
3. Clean up any mess before going to play
4. Do not share snacks

Nutritional snacks include:

Fruit — apples, bananas, oranges, etc.
Fresh vegetables — carrots, celery, etc.
Trail Mix — shelled nuts, etc.

Poor snacks include:

Sugary foods — candy*, cake, takis, etc.
Empty calorie / greasy foods — potato chips, corn chips, etc.
Foods in shell are messy
Drinks — sodas

APRIL 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-----------|--|--|--|---|--|-----------|
| | 1 P.E. Intermediate | 2 | 3 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 4 | 5 P.E. TK/Kinder | 6 |
| 7 | 8 P.E. Intermediate | 9 PTC Meeting 5PM | 10 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 11 Last Day of AIP Grades 1-6 | 12 P.E. TK/Kinder 6th Grade Human Growth Development | 13 |
| 14 | 15 P.E. Intermediate | 16 Bandtastic | 17 P.E. Make-up Intermediate Early Release TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM | 18 Administrative Assistants Day Dress Up Day Theme: TBD 5th Grade Human Growth and Development | 19 School/District Closed | 20 |
| 21 | 22 School Closed/District Open | 23 School Closed/District Open | 24 School Closed/District Open | 25 School Closed/District Open | 26 School Closed/District Open | 27 |
| 28 | 29 School Resumes P.E. Intermediate | 30 | | | | |

***CANDY, GUM. SUNFLOWER SEEDS, TOP RAMEN**

Students **may not** bring gum, top ramen or sunflower seeds to school. Candy may only be brought if the parent put a piece of candy in the student's sack lunch to be eaten with their lunch in the cafeteria. These items cause litter on our school grounds and detract from the clean environment our custodian's work hard to maintain.

TOBACCO

Smoking presents a health hazard, which can have serious consequences, both for the smoker and the non-smoker. Students shall not be allowed to smoke, chew or possess tobacco or nicotine products on school property or during school hours, at school sponsored events, or under the supervision of district employees. (Education Code 48901). Students who violate this policy shall be subject to disciplinary procedures, which may result in suspension from school (Education Code 48900). (ef.5144.1-Suspensions and Expulsion/Due Process).

The Board shall provide instruction regarding the effects of smoking on the human body and shall take steps to discourage students from making it a practice to smoke (Education Code 48901, 51202).

Student possession or use of tobacco on school premises or at school-sponsored events is a violation of law and Board policy and is not permitted. Students violating this policy shall be subject to the District Conduct Code.

Tobacco Enforcement Procedures for Citizens:

Community organizations using school facilities are required to enforce the Tobacco Free Schools Policy. Organizations may be denied use of facilities for violation of this policy.

The enforcement procedures outlined below will be followed with individual citizens who violate the policy.

- A) Citizens who are observed smoking or using tobacco products on District property will be asked to stop.
- B) If individual fails to comply with the request his/her violation may be referred to the supervisor responsible for the area or program during which the violation occurred. The supervisor shall determine further action, which may include a directive to leave school property.
- C) Repeated violations may result in a recommendation to the Superintendent or designee to prohibit the individual from entering District property for a specified period of time.
- D) If deemed necessary, the local law enforcement agency may be called upon to assist with enforcement of this policy.

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS/SMOKING

Ample research has demonstrated the health hazards associated with the use of tobacco products, including smoking and the breathing of second-hand smoke.

As role models, district employees should demonstrate conduct that is consistent with school programs to discourage students from using tobacco products.

Therefore, the Governing Board believes it is in the best interests of students, employees and the general public to prohibit the use of tobacco products anywhere and anytime on district property and in district vehicles.

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students may keep cell phones in their backpacks, where it will remain during the school day. The cell phone must be turned off and not used until the student is off the school site. Cell phones may not be used on campus. You must exit the campus to use the phone. **(BRING AT OWN RISK!)**

Students may NOT bring electronic devices (such as iPods; MP3 players, etc. to school)

TRADING CARDS AND COMIC BOOKS

Students **may not** bring trading cards or comic books to school.

Many of the cards' content is inappropriate for the school setting. Cards will be confiscated.

LOST AND FOUND

Many students' report lost or misplaced items as stolen. When items are missing, students should check the "Lost and Found" rack in the cafeteria. Students who bring personal property onto school premises, assume all risk of loss, theft, or destruction of the personal property.

CHROMEBOOK AND INSURANCE

For Parents:

1. Sign **Technology Use Policy** and have your student return it to the teacher or school office.
2. Remind your student to charge their device each evening so he/she is fully prepared for learning each day.
3. Optional insurance is available during the 2018-19 school year for \$10 per student, capped at \$40 per family. The insurance will protect the device against costs accidental damage, theft (with police report), fire, flood, natural disasters, power surge. *A \$50 deductible will apply if the device is lost, stolen (without verified police report), or vandalized.*
4. The internet is a powerful learning tool. We monitor student usage while on our campus. Monitoring this resource while at home, remains the responsibility of the parent.

For Students:

1. Sign **Technology Use Policy** and return it to the teacher or school office.
2. **Come prepared to class. Fully charge your device every night.**
3. Treat the device with care. Liquids, foods, and other debris can damage your device. Be very careful with the screen. Clean hands equals a happy screen and touchpad.
4. Receiving this device is a privilege. It is an essential tool in academic success.
5. The internet is a powerful learning tool. Much of the collective knowledge of the world will be at your fingertips. Explore, learn, and create, for both your teachers and yourself.

MAY 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--|--|--|---|---|----------|
| | | | 1 P.E. Primary/Intermediate | 2 6th grade orientation MH/CC | 3 4th Grade Human Growth and Development Parent Appreciation Day P.E. TK/Kinder | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Talent show applications Teacher Appreciation P.E. Intermediate CAASPP Testing | 7 Teacher Appreciation PTC Meeting 5PM CAASPP Testing | 8 Teacher Appreciation P.E. Primary/Intermediate CAASPP Testing | 9 CAASPP Testing Teacher Appreciation | 10 Teacher Appreciation Talent show applications due PTC Family Movie Night 6:15PM CAASPP Testing | 11 |
| 12 | 13 P.E. Intermediate CAASPP Testing | 14 Talent Show Tryouts CAASPP Testing | 15 P.E. Primary/Intermediate CAASPP Testing | 16 CAASPP Testing Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM Open House 6:15PM | 17 P.E. TK/Kinder CAASPP Testing | 18 |
| 19 | 20 P.E. Intermediate CAASPP Make-up | 21 CAASPP Make-up | 22 CAASPP Make-up P.E. Primary Early Release TK/K-1:40PM; 1-6 1:50PM | 23 CAASPP Make-up | 24 P.E. TK/Kinder CAASPP Make-up | 25 |
| 26 | 27 School/District Closed | 28 | 29 P.E. Primary/Intermediate Band/Choir Performance 1:30PM | 30 | 31 P.E. TK/Kinder Dress up Day Theme: TBD | |

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR MATERIALS

At the beginning of the school year, students are issued a Chromebook, books and other materials and supplies. They must maintain these materials in good condition and return them when asked or else pay for any loss or damage. Report cards will be denied until all fees and fines are paid.

BICYCLE RULES

Bicycles may be ridden to school. They must be kept in the bike racks in the fenced off area in front of the school.

1. Bicycles should be brought to school with a lock.
2. Bicycles are prohibited on the playground and hallways.
3. Only one person may ride a bicycle at a time.
4. WALK your bicycle to the bike rack.
5. Leave the bike area as soon as you park and lock your bike.
6. Leave ALL bicycles alone but your own.

GENERAL PLAYGROUND RULES

Playground and equipment rules are essential for maintaining the safety of all students while on Virginia Parks campus. The following rules have been established to allow students a safe playground with equal participation:

1. Closed games are not allowed.
2. All games requiring the kicking of a ball are to be played on the grass (depending on field conditions.) Balls may **not** be thrown against the buildings or bounced in walkways.
3. Football is to be played on grass areas only; tackling and other dangerous play is NOT ALLOWED.
4. Rocks, bark or other materials are not to be thrown on the playground.
5. Bike racks are off limits without a pass during school.
6. Bikes, skateboards, hover boards and scooters are not ridden on school grounds. Must walk on and off campus.
7. Sports equipment MAY BE brought to school. (Hardballs, bats, or any other dangerous items are NOT ALLOWED). All equipment from home is brought at own risk.
8. Toys are NOT ALLOWED.
9. Any injury or playground problems should be reported to a yard duty supervisor or to a teacher.
10. All students must remain in their designated play space.
11. Playing in or around restrooms is NOT ALLOWED.
12. Cell phones may not be used during school hours. Cell phones/electrical devices must be off and stored in backpacks. Bring at own risk.

MORNING AND AFTER SCHOOL RULES

1. Children are not allowed on the school grounds prior to 8:15am.
2. Students need to use designated walkways at all times.
3. Children are to remain in orderly lines while waiting for the bus.
4. Classroom lines must be quiet and orderly.
5. Gum chewing is NOT ALLOWED.
6. Children are to go directly home after school except when they must remain on the school grounds for classroom or school business.

EQUIPMENT USAGE

Red Balls

These are used for games involving being tagged by the ball. Dodge ball, Canadian and games of skill such as four-square require a red ball. NOT ALLOWED: Kicking or sitting on red balls.

Kick ball's-Soccer Balls

These are used for games where a ball is to be kicked. Soccer and other games where a child is not being tagged by a ball require a kickball or a soccer ball.

Basketballs

These are used only for the basketball courts and games involving the skills of dribbling and passing that require a basketball.

Jump Ropes

These are used only for jumping games of timing and skill. Chinese jump ropes are appropriate playground equipment when used properly. No rope is to be tied to a person or to an object.

Baseball Equipment

This is to be used on designated baseball diamonds. Students may bring personal gloves. All other baseball equipment will be provided by the school and is to be used only on the baseball diamonds and grass areas, which are a part of the diamond.

Tennis Balls

Use of tennis balls is allowed for skill development.

JUNE 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 Talent Show | 4 Honor Roll/Perfect Attendance Inter.-9:00AM; Perfect Attendance Prim.-10:15AM | 5 Play Day 8:45-10:45AM | 6 Last day of School Minimum Day TK/K-12:35PM; 1-6 12:45PM Report Cards Sent Home End of Trimester | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | | | | | | |

Bars

1. Use both hands on the bars.
 2. Move at all times; no sitting
- NOT ALLOWED: Flips, windmills, death drops, chicken fights, knees hanging or kicking.

Four Square

1. The ball may hit in each square only once.
 2. The next person in line goes to square “A” when someone is out.
 3. Stay in your own square.
- NOT ALLOWED: Stealing the ball, stepping into another’s square, “cutting” in line.

Slide

1. Go down the slide on your bottom only.
 2. Only one person may go down at a time.
- NOT ALLOWED: Climbing, standing, sliding down backwards, jumping or running down the slide or support bars, going down on stomach or knees.

Bark box

1. Bark stays on the ground at all times.
- NOT ALLOWED: Throwing or kicking bark, running or playing tag.

Tetherball

1. Play only one game.
 2. Remain within the drawn lines.
 3. The winner serves the next game.
- NOT ALLOWED: Swinging on the ball. Grabbing the rope or ball while in play, stepping over the middle line or going out of the circle, helps from people in line, chances, bubbles.

For All Games

1. Giving cuts in line or saving places is not allowed.
2. Games of catch, involving partners are limited to the grass area.
(Depending on field conditions.)

Helpful Phone Numbers:

City of Ceres Parks and Recreation 538-5782
Ceres Youth Baseball 538-8326
Ceres Youth Football 537-7523
Ceres Youth Soccer 538-4717

Libraries:

Ceres - 2250 Magnolia, Ceres 537-8938
Stanislaus County — 1500 I St, Modesto 558-7800

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