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Important Notice

The MVEA Office will be closed for Winter Break. Regular office hours will resume on January 14th, 2008.

If you have any emergencies between December 27-28, you can call CTA staff at 951-372-2500.

SEASON'S GREETINGS



*Our best to you and yours.
Have a restful winter break
and a
prosperous New Year.*



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Calendar of events



Important Dates:

December 24th– January 11th : Winter Recess

January 14th: Return to School

January 16th: MVEA Exec Board, 4PM (MVEA Office)

January 21th: Martin Luther King Jr. (No School)

January 23th: MVEA Rep. Council, 4PM (14075 Frederick St.)

December Pay

The December pay cycle has changed over the last few years. Some educators will receive their December 2007 pay warrant on the last workday in December either by direct deposit or check at the site. Included in this category are new employees and those who chose to get paid in December rather than January. There are still a number of educators who receive their December pay warrant in January. For this group, direct deposit checks will be posted and the funds available on January 2, 2008. Checks will be mailed to your home and you should have them at the end of December although they will be dated January 2, 2008 and you will not be able to cash them until that date. No one will have to go to the District office to pick up their check.

MVEA Educator of the Month Lynnsey Penna

Lynnsey was recommended by her staff because she is an excellent example of a new teacher who contributes greatly to a staff. Lynnsey began her career two years ago teaching math at Mountain View Middle School. She has been receptive to the mentoring that goes on naturally in a well-developed system of Professional Learning Communities, taking suggestions and tips from experienced educators and then energizing the department with the perspectives of one beginning her career. Technology was a natural for her. Lynnsey has demonstrated a commitment to her profession, her subject matter, and her site. She has volunteered to work with the Math Academy at Mountain View for the last two summers. In that role, she joined a team to develop hands-on activities, group projects and game simulations to refine the basic math skills of students and teach the algebraic concepts. Math became fun for students and test scores improved. Lynnsey gained skills in her previous profession, which could be transferred to a school setting. As a bank teller, Lynnsey confronted a robber who thought she might be an easy mark. Surely this direct approach would help in setting clear behavior and academic expectations for middle school age students! Lynnsey has devoted her spare time to taking care of a new puppy. Congratulations, Lynnsey!