

May 10, 2017

Dear Richards Families,

It is hard to believe that the school year is winding down and Spring Sing is just around the corner! This year's all-school **Spring Sing is on Thursday, May 25th**. Our theme this year focuses on specific character traits found within Disney songs, hence the title "Singing with Character: A Disney Spring Sing." **Families of students with last names M-Z and all AM junior kindergarten families are invited to attend the 10:15 am performance and families of students with last names A-L and all PM junior kindergarten families are invited to the 1:30 pm performance.** Doors will be open one hour before each performance. Please talk to your children about what they are working on and encourage them to perform for you.

The annual Richards **Lunch on the Lawn** with your children will be taking place between Spring Sing performances. Students are welcome to join their families in the front of the school to eat during the lunch times listed below. If possible, we suggest deciding on a specific meeting place (ex. On our blue blanket near the red playground) ahead of time. Students will be out on the back lawn and playground for recess (with the exception of the classes that use the red or blue playground). Please note the time your child will be eating and when they will be at recess. If your child will be with you for the entire 50 minute block, please let the office know.

Lunch and Recess Schedule for May 25th

12:00-12:25pm→ Senior Kindergarten-2nd recess, 3rd-5th lunch

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Performance Day Attire for Students:

Students can dress to impress, but if they want to get into their theme and dress up like one of the Disney movies they are representing they certainly can. It is typically warm on Spring Sing day, so dressing appropriately for the weather is strongly encouraged. Please see the Richards School handbook for additional dress code information.

Audience Etiquette:

Your attendance is sincerely appreciated by students and staff alike! As adults, we need to model appropriate behavior at performances. Here are a few guidelines for attending a concert.

- Please do not answer any phone calls anywhere in the Great Hall or in the hallways. Texting is also something that should not occur as students value your eye contact, smiles, and attention to their hard work.
- Whispering or talking during the performance is strongly discouraged; it is audible and distracting to the teachers and performers as it is a different sound than the singing and music on stage.
- Applause is encouraged at the end of every song. Several songs have soloists or small group features; please wait to applaud for those individuals until they are acknowledged at the end of the song.
- It is expected that audience members stay for the entire performance (approx. 1hr 20min). Please note that you may not save seats with blankets or jackets unless a person in your party is present.
- Keep aisles clear for the safety of the audience and the performers.

- Finally, please clean up or leave with everything you bring to the performance including coffee cups, lunch trash, umbrellas, blankets, and cameras.

Just in case you would like a sneak peek at each grade level's songs, here they are!

SPRING SING 2017

SINGING WITH CHARACTER: A DISNEY SPRING SING

KINDERGARTEN

1. "Winnie the Pooh" (friendly)
2. "Whistle While You Work" (helpful)
3. "Zip-A-Dee-Do-Dah" (positive)

FIRST GRADE

1. "Scales and Arpeggios" (perseverance)
2. "I Wanna Be Like You" (setting a good example)
3. "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" (studious)

SECOND GRADE

1. "Under the Sea" (appreciative)
2. "Colors of the Wind" from Pocahontas (sensitive)
3. "I Love to Laugh" from Mary Poppins (joyful)

THIRD GRADE

1. "Go the Distance" from Hercules (perseverance)
2. "Life's a Happy Song" from The Muppets (dependable)
3. "Be Our Guest" from Beauty and the Beast (generosity)

FOURTH GRADE

1. "Touch the Sky" from Brave (courage)
2. "Friend Like Me" from Aladdin (friendly)
3. "You'll Be in My Heart" from Tarzan (compassionate)

CHOIR

"You're Welcome" from Moana (appreciative)

FIFTH GRADE

1. "Try Everything" from Zootopia (optimistic)
2. "Trashin' the Camp" from Tarzan (adventurous)
3. "Am I Wrong" (bold)

We look forward to seeing you at Spring Sing on May 25th. Please contact us with any questions!

Sincerely,

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Richards General Music Teachers

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