

From the Principal

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In the News

Currently, an Arts In Action art show featuring work created by Springer Elementary School students is on display at the MOUNTAIN VIEW CITY HALL ROTUNDA at 500 Castro Street in downtown Mountain View. The exhibit will be on display from February 28 - March 14. In addition, our students artwork will be viewed and celebrated during the afternoon reception of the Art Faculty hosted by the Community School of Music and Arts on the afternoon of February 28th.

Quite an honor for our students:

Sorjo B.	Room 9	Killian F.	Room 9
Brad G.	Room 9	Nate P.	Room 9
Grace P.	Room 9	Elizabeth B.	Room 12
James H.	Room 12	Kaylan H.	Room 12
Crisitan S.	Room 12	Sola T.	Room 12
Jimmy A.	Room 18	Francis H.	Room 18
Ethan K.	Room 18	Katie M.	Room 18
Tara M.	Room 18		

On behalf of the Synopsys Silicon Vally Science and Engineering Faire, eleven students from the Los Altos School District have been accepted to present their Science and Engineering Displays at the San Jose McEnery Convention Center on March 12 from 2:00 - 6:00 P.M. Please note, 10 of the 11 students are members of the Sixth Grade class from Springer Elementary School.

Silicon Valley students continue to produce outstanding science projects. The Synopsis Championship delegation now has the highest percentage of winning projects among the science fairs at the California State Science Fair. Silicon Valley students go on to major recognition at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair and the Discovery Channel Young Scientist Cahllenge.

This year's projects include immune system questions, gravitrons, and, yes, getting energy from potatoes.

Congratulations to:

Max B.	Katie C.	Isabella D.
Meghan M.	Juliet H.	Oren M.
Melissa R.	Zoe M.	Karan V.
Ved P.		

ATTENDANCE

Los Altos School District is committed to providing a challenging and enriching curriculum to all students. With recent state budget cuts, that will affect our current and future funding, it is our commitment to continue the programs and curriculum that makes Los Altos a great place to learn. There are important ways families can help. Did you know?

- The school does not get ADA (Average Daily Attendance) funding for the days students are absent, regardless of the reason for absence.
- No student=No funding.
- Students with outstanding attendance are more likely to have academic success.

- Absences due to illness are understandable and encouraged, but absence due to family vacations should be avoided. As we near the February and spring breaks, we would like to encourage families that are planning travel, to please do so during the vacation days designated on the Los Altos School District 2007-2008 calendar. Research shows students' contact time with their teachers is a major factor contributing to students' success. Even with children completing "extra assignments" there really is no substitute for the lessons planned and the learning that takes place in our classrooms. With the many students across the district extending vacation times, the cost to the district can amount to the loss of much needed funding. For these reasons, we ask your cooperation in ensuring your child's regular attendance during the coming months. Thank you.