



The Ladera News



Ladera Elementary School PTO Newsletter

August/September 2008

Principal's Message

By Ryan Bollenbach

Welcome Back!

Welcome Ladera Elementary School Families to the 2008-2009 school year! I am very excited about the students returning to school and I look forward with great enthusiasm to continue working collaboratively with our students, our parents, our faculty and our community toward providing opportunities in support of the highest academic achievement.

The key to a strong working relationship between school and home is good communication. On a regular basis throughout the year, I will provide you with important school information in our newsletter. I hope that you will find this information to be timely and helpful. At the same time communication is a "two-way" street. If you ever have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I see it as my personal responsibility to assist the students, parents and staff at Ladera Elementary. In addition, I encourage all parents get involved this upcoming school year. By joining the Ladera PTO, volunteering in your child's classroom, becoming a room parent, or volunteering at one or more of the many exciting activities that are planned for this year, you are reiterating the importance of education to your child.

The first day of school packets will be sent home on September 3rd. These packets will include a lot of important information that will help your family with school expectations and procedures as well as help us with your family information. Remember to always inform the school office if your contact information changes or of any information that will help your child be safe and successful while at school. Additional information including Kindergarten Orientation, dress code and uniform guidelines, school procedures, and important upcoming dates can be found in this newsletter.

School begins Wednesday, September 3rd. School hours are as follows:

Regular Schedule (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)

Kindergarten AM	8:00 – 11:23
Kindergarten PM	11:25 – 2:48
Grades 1 – 3	8:30 – 2:35
Grades 4 – 5	8:30 – 2:47

Modified Wednesday/Minimum Day Schedule

Kindergarten AM	8:00 – 11:23
Kindergarten PM	10:12 – 1:35
Grades 1 – 3	8:30 – 1:26
Grades 4 – 5	8:30 – 1:29



Students may arrive 15 minutes before the start of the school day. Fourth and fifth grade students are given the privilege of riding their bikes to school. All bike riders must wear a helmet. (The bike racks are located in front of the Kindergarten play area and in back, by the Township Street gate.) We will unlock the school gates in front and on the side of the school before school starts, and again at the end of the school day. **The office opened on Monday, August 18th, office hours are 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Our phone number is: (714) 730-7505.**

Again I want to share with you my excitement for this upcoming school year. The staff and I will strive to continue to provide an exciting and rewarding educational program for each and every child at Ladera Elementary School.



**Welcome
New Families to
Ladera Elementary!**

The PTO Welcoming Committee cordially invites you and encourages you to attend the New Family Orientation during the Back-to-School Social. Come learn all about Ladera and find out how to get involved with the school.

**When: Thursday, Aug. 28 5:00-5:30pm
Where: Ladera Multi-Purpose Room**

President's Message

By Kirsten Jessel, PTO President

Welcome to the 2008-2009 school year. We are fortunate to have our remarkable teachers, staff, and Principal Mr. Bollenbach returning to Ladera this fall. These educators, together with our wonderful Ladera families, create an impressive community and an ideal environment for learning.

The role of Ladera's Parent Teacher Organization is to aid students and educators in achieving the highest advantages in academic, physical, and social education. Through the combined efforts of a diverse group of parents, teachers and administrators, the PTO continues to support our children through Art Masters, educational field trips, assemblies, education enhancing technology, playground equipment, classroom enrichment and supplies, and part time instructors. A list of the PTO Committees and Executive Board positions on page 3 provides an overview of the events and programs the PTO facilitates. Several positions are still open for the upcoming year. If you have any questions or suggestions, or are interested in helping with any of these committees or Board positions, please contact me (kjessel@earthlink.net or 714-669-4523) or any member of our executive board, or log on to our website and click on the suggestion box. Ladera PTO loves new faces and ideas, and many of the PTO's greatest accomplishments begin with parent suggestions. Our monthly PTO meetings are a great way to find out about what is going on at Ladera and give your input. The general meeting schedule is as follows:

September 18	5:30 PM	February 19	8:30AM
October 16	8:30AM	March 19	7:00PM*
November 20	7:00PM*	April 16	8:30AM
December 18	8:30AM	May 21	9:00AM*
January 15	7:00 PM*		*preceded by Principal's chat

Our Back to School Social is on Thursday August 28th from 4:30 – 6:30. This is a great opportunity to meet our teachers and catch up with friends. Please see the back page of this newsletter for details. I hope to see you there!

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RESTAURANT NIGHTS are a great time to catch up with friends and to make new ones. Join Ladera families and teachers at the designated local restaurant, pay the menu price for your meal and when you turn in your flyer, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to Ladera's PTO. While at the restaurant be sure to drop your student's name in the red box for a chance to win dinner for two. Check your Friday folders for details about our September event and get ready to:

"Drop your cookbook, step away from your oven and join us for our first Restaurant Night of the year!"

-----IMPORTANT UPDATE-----

**THE LADERA NEWS IS MOVING TO OUR WEBSITE
(www.tustin.k12.ca.us/ladera)
THIS IS THE LAST PAPER COPY OF THE
NEWSLETTER!!**

To receive updates of newsletter availability, **sign up for Ladera's e-mail information service.** You will also receive periodic updates and reminders of current school news, events, and activities. Look for the authorization form in the information packets you'll receive on the first day of school. Paper copies of the newsletter will continue to be available at the front office display rack.

Returning families will also need to return the authorization form for the new school year, and please be sure to let us know if your e-mail address has changed since last school year. You can also register on Ladera's website. Our website is a wonderful source of important information, updates, and links, and you can submit your ideas and comments through the "Suggestion Box." The website will be updated in the coming month.

Volunteers Needed!

We will need volunteers in many different areas! Parent support and participation play a very important role in the success of Ladera Elementary School. Please stop by the volunteer table at Ladera's Back-To-School Social on Thursday, August 28th and sign up for the volunteer opportunities that interest you. There are many ways to help. We look forward to seeing you. *PTO Volunteer Coordinators, Emmy Coats & Tori Crummack*

Ladera Parent Volunteer Opportunities

Art Masters: Volunteer to lead or assist with your child's classroom Art Masters activity during the six Art Masters lessons throughout the school year. You will attend the Art Masters assembly and be given parent volunteer instruction on how to lead the art activity in the classroom. It's lots of fun and unleashes that childlike creativity you only think you've forgotten!

Book Fair: Help needed during the fall and/or spring book fair.

Family Nights: Assist in the planning and execution of periodic fun family nights throughout the school year for Ladera families.

Fundraisers: Assist in the planning of the school's number one fundraising and parent social event of the year, the spring fundraiser, or help with some of the other fundraising activities/programs.

Green Committee: Help with recycling and with planning and executing other eco-friendly school community activities.

Ladera Laps Running Club: Track student running progress two days a week at lunch recess and monitor and distribute student running awards.

School Garden: Assist in the care and maintenance of the school garden plants and landscaping.

Spirit Committee: Help organize & execute school-wide spirit events throughout the school year

Yearbook: Help in taking or collecting digital photos of school events and activities throughout the year.

5th Grade Promotion: Work with 5th grade teachers and parents to implement 5th grade promotion and related activities.

Teacher Appreciation Week: Organize and recruit volunteers for teacher appreciation week in the spring.

Community Art Liaison: Publicize community art exhibits, programs and contests via flyers and/or the newsletter and website. Plan art at lunch program.

Jr. Great Books: Co-Chair – Coordinate parent and teacher training, and implementation of the program. Classroom Volunteers – Oversee student reading, writing, and discussion activities to provide a structure for thoughtful, active reading. Time requirement is one hour per week for 6-8 weeks in classroom discussions plus preparation time.

Spirit Committee: Responsible for planning and organizing volunteers for school-wide spirit events throughout the school year.

Tustin Public Schools Foundation/PTO Liaison: Collaborate with TPSF on various events including the Dinosaur Dash.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 2008

18	School Office Opens
20	PTO Exec. Board Meeting 9:00am
26	Teachers Return to School
27	PTO Lunch for the Teachers 11:30am
28	PTO Back to School Social 4:30-6:30pm

September 2008

1	Labor Day Holiday
3	First day of school PTO Membership Drive begins
10	Walk to School Wednesday
4	Coffee with the Principal 8:30-9am
17	Walk to School Wednesday
18	Minimum Day School Site Council Meeting 3pm PTO General Meeting 5:30pm Back to School Night
19	Art Masters - Toulouse Lautrec
24	Walk to School Wednesday

October 2008

1	Walk to School Wednesday
2	Assembly "Indigestion Joe and the Pyramid of Food" New Family Welcome Dinner
8	Walk to School Wednesday
9	No School (non-student and non-teacher)
10	No School (non-student and non-teacher)
13-17	Minimum Days - Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences
15	Walk to School Wednesday
16	PTO Meeting 8:30am School Site Council 3pm
20	Assembly - "It's Ok to be Different" - Izzi Tooinsky
22	Walk to School Wednesday
24	Art Masters - Paul Cezanne
29	Walk to School Wednesday
30	Family Night Costume Party
31	No School (Staff Development)

November 2008

2	Dino Dash
5	Walk to School Wednesday
10	No School (non-student and non-teacher)
11	No School (non-student and non-teacher) Veteran's Day Holiday
12	Walk to School Wednesday
19	Walk to School Wednesday / Assembly - "Theatre Through the Ages"
20	School Site Council Meeting 3pm Principal's Chat 6:30pm PTO Meeting 7:00pm
26	Walk to School Wednesday
27	No School Thanksgiving Holiday
28	No School Thanksgiving Holiday



It's a girl!

Congratulations to the DiLellio Family
on the birth of their baby girl,

Jianna Elizabeth DiLellio
born July 26th, 2008.



Birthday Book Club

We invite every student to celebrate their birthday and help the school library by bringing in a new, hard bound gift-wrapped book of your choice to donate to the library during your birthday month (or any month you choose). During your class time in the library, the birthday child may present his/her book, in front of the class, to **Ms. Shaw, our school librarian**. The book will be given a special "gift plate" inside the front cover with the student's name, teacher's name, and the year the book was donated, as well as a special sticker on the spine that specifies it as a Birthday Book Club book. In the PTO newsletter each month, students who have donated to the Birthday Book Club that month will be recognized. The giver will also receive a candle with their name on the big birthday cake display in the library.

What a great way to share the love of reading with the whole school! Please contact **Birthday Book Club Coordinator, Elizabeth Stevens**, jkstevens@cox.net if you have any questions.

The Ladera News is a monthly newsletter published by the Ladera PTO. To submit an article, please email it to Kim Patrick at kimpat3@mac.com or drop it off at the school office. The submission deadline for the next issue (October) is September 19, 2008. This will be the first online issue. All subsequent issues can be found on Ladera Elementary's website www.tustin.k12.ca.us/ladera.

Welcome Back Teachers and Staff 2008-2009

Position/Title	Name	Ext./Room #	Voice Mailbox
Principal	Bollenbach, Ryan		607
Secretary	Donaho, Shirley	100	
Clerk Typist	Girch, Tammi	101	
Health Office	Martinez, Mayra	102	
Plant Manager	Alba, Pablo	503	
Night Custodian	Lopez, Anthony	503	
<u>Teachers</u>			
Kindergarten A.M.	Wenner, Bridget	201	612
Kindergarten P.M.	Elconin, Bonnie	201	606
1 st Grade	Semotan, Susan	306	618
1 st Grade	Valencia, Melanie	305	615
1 st Grade	Neuer, Erin	407	623
1 st / 2 nd Grade	Crawford, Lynne	303	629
2 nd Grade	Goldenberg, Theresa	302	631
2 nd Grade	Moore, Rosalind	304	622
3 rd Grade	Pilon, Tricia	408	602
3 rd Grade	DiLellio, Traci	404	628
	St. Clair, Christine	404	628
3 rd Grade	Donavan, Megan	405	624
3 rd Grade	Sommers, Megan	403	620
4 th Grade	Schwartz, Lisa	401	621
4 th / 5 th Grade	Whitfield, Kaylee	406	630
5 th Grade	McDonald, Lindsay	402	604
SDC Pre-School	Brennan, Jennifer	205	616
SDC Pre-School	Solomon, Bonnie	203	608
SDC Pre-School	Sammut, Joni	202	610
SDC Pre-School	McKee, Aja	204	616
SDC Pre-School	Gray, Sheri	602	601
SDC Pre-School	Fino, Tiffanie	604	626
SDC Pre-School	Brown, Stephanie		
TOSA			
Nurse	Querubin-Derro, Riza	167	603
Library/Media Center	Shaw, Geri	112	
Resource Specialist	Zavala, Anna	114	
RSP Paraeducator	TBD	114	
Psychologist	Merchant, Mary	110	
Speech Therapist	Hehir, Debbie	301	
Speech Therapist	Rasmussen, Raquel	301	
SLPA	DeLano, Debbie	301	
Regular Ed Speech Therapist	TBD	106	
Occupational Therapist	Abundo, Christine	308	
Occupational Therapist	Smith, Nicole	308	
Occupational Therapist	Kim, Rebecca	308	
Occupational Therapist	Lindquist, Karen	308	
Physical Therapist	King, Brett	308	

Ladera staff can also be contacted via e-mail:
Use the first initial and last name @tustin.k12.ca.us
(Ryan Bollenbach would be rbollenbach@tustin.k12.ca.us)



Kindergarten Korner

Welcome to Kindergarten at Ladera Elementary School. This is a very exciting time for children; it means new experiences, new friends, and the first steps to independence!

Orientation for parents and new incoming Kindergarten students will be Thursday, August 28th, 4:30 – 5:00 P.M. Kindergarten teachers will present parent information and PTO Board members will be available to answer questions during that time.

Here are a few suggestions that will help prepare your child for the transition into Kindergarten. Don't worry if your child does not know all of the things listed, but it is a good idea to begin working with him/her now.

- Knows his/her first and last name and can write his/her first name (capital letter first, then all lower case)
- Knows his/her address, phone number and parents' names
- Has used a pencil, crayons, and scissors
- Is familiar with numbers, letters, colors, and shapes
- Can dress him/herself and take care of his/her belongings
- Knows about songs, rhymes, and storybooks (please read to your child everyday)
- Understands that you will leave him/her at school that first day and someone will come back later to pick him/her up
- Needs to come to school on time, everyday, with a backpack, snack, and enough rest from the night before

The first day of school is a big event. Teachers and support staff will be prepared to help so that all students can be successful. Your child needs your support and help, too.

School Lunch



Students may purchase lunch and milk at Ladera. The school lunch prices are \$2.25 and \$0.50 for milk. Lunches will be available on the first day of school. A calendar with a monthly menu will be sent home each month and will also be posted on the TUSD website (www.tustin.k12.ca.us). Ladera is a school with a computerized lunch service which means that students can have meal accounts set up which allow parents to prepay for lunch. Students access their accounts by entering their student number into a pin-pad when buying their lunch. We would like to encourage all students to purchase lunch accounts instead of bringing money to school each day. Parents may also enroll and fund their student's lunch account online at www.mylunchmoney.com (or through the link on the Ladera website).



New Bell Schedule for the 2008-2009 Academic School Year

<u>Regular Day</u>		<u>Modified Wednesday / Minimum Day</u>	
A.M. SDC Preschool	8:00-11:00	A.M. SDC Preschool	8:00-11:00
P.M. SDC Preschool	11:00- 2:00	P.M. SDC Preschool	11:00-2:00
A.M. Kindergarten	8:00-11:23	A.M. Kindergarten	8:00-11:23
P.M. Kindergarten	11:25-2:48	P.M. Kindergarten	10:12-1:35
Primary Grades (1,2,3)		Primary Grades (1,2,3)	
Instruction	8:30-10:30	Instruction	8:30-10:30
Recess	10:30-10:46	Recess	10:30-10:46
Instruction	10:46-12:00	Instruction	10:46-12:00
Lunch	12:00-12:50	Lunch	12:00-12:40
Instruction	12:50-2:35	Instruction	12:40-1:26
Upper Grade Schedule (4 & 5)		Upper Grade Schedule (4 & 5)	
Instruction	8:30-10:32	Instruction	8:30-10:32
Recess	10:32-10:46	Recess	10:32-10:46
Instruction	10:46-12:10	Instruction	10:46-12:04
Lunch	12:10-12:50	Lunch	12:04-12:40
Instruction	12:50-2:47	Instruction	12:40-1:29

Parking Lot Update

Good News! This summer our parking lot was re-painted and we have eleven more parking spaces. Additionally, on August 5th, the Tustin City Council approved permit parking on the south side of Rawlings Way for Ladera staff during school hours. Thank you to everyone who helped us resolve our parking issue.



Forgotten Items and Lunch Delivery

Forgotten items (e.g., jackets, homework, lunchboxes, etc.) can be dropped off at the school office for delivery to your child's classroom. Any hot lunches need to be dropped off at the school office by 11:50 a.m. with your child's name, teacher name and room number clearly marked on the outside for delivery to the classroom. Instructional minutes are so valuable; we want to minimize classroom disruptions throughout the day.

Absences

Please remember to call the school office or e-mail Shirley Donaho (sdonaho@tustin.k12.ca.us) if your student will be absent from school.

Ladera Earns \$\$\$ from Recycling



Clean out your drawers and get rid of all those old cell phones and used ink jet and laser cartridges. Ladera PTO earns money through Complete Recycling Service recycling program. Please drop off your donations in the plastic bins in the front office lobby. If you or someone you know has a business that would like to make donations on behalf of Ladera, please contact our Green Committee Chairperson Pam Edmondson at pamedmondson@cox.net or 714-838-5635.

TUSD & Ladera Uniform Guidelines

- Shirts, polo shirts or blouses should be white* and have a collar.
- Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts or jumpers should be navy blue*, or plaid is acceptable for jumpers, skirts and skorts.
- Socks can be any color.
- Shoes should be closed-toed; tennis shoes are acceptable.
- All shirts should be tucked in.
- Pants should fit well – no more than 2" bigger than the natural waist size.
- Belts are required for clothing with belt loops.
- Existing coats and jackets are fine.
- For girls – bike shorts may be worn under skirts and jumpers only.
- NO jeans, sweatpants, leggings, logos on any clothing, or make-up.

***The Ladera Uniform Dress Code also includes the following choices:**

*Shirts: Red, navy blue, and white; Ladera Spirit Wear, Ladera Logo Wear from Lands' End

*Bottoms: Navy blue or khaki

Shoes: Must be closed-toed

The following stores carry year-round stock of uniform clothing suitable for wear at the schools: J.C. Penney, Mervyn's, Nordstrom, Sears and Target. Parents may choose to shop anywhere they wish as long as the purchased clothing meets the TUSD uniform guidelines.

Ladera, along with other TUSD elementary schools, is a uniform optional school. We ask that all students either adhere to the uniform policy or submit a request to the school office requesting to opt out. However, all students must adhere to the district dress code -- please visit the TUSD website for details:

www.tustin.k12.ca.us/html/parentsstudents/conduct/dresscode.htm

Order from Lands' End and the school gets 10% back from your order. You can customize your order with the Ladera Leopards logo (extra cost).

Lands' End

Ladera Preferred School # 9000-7938-5

Ladera Logo # 0262438K

1-800-469-2222 or www.landsend.com/school

Ladera Parking Lot Drop-Off and Pick-Up Procedures

In order to keep our children safe and traffic flowing in our parking lot, please read the following carefully:

- There will be two lanes when you enter the parking lot. The left lane will be for exiting the parking lot only (no loading or unloading will be permitted). The right lane will be for loading and unloading only. There is only one entrance to this lane and there will be no exit until you have passed the multipurpose room.
- Unless your child requires special assistance, you will not be allowed to enter the parking section of the parking lot to load/unload. Unloading at the curb is the safest option and helps keep traffic flowing.
- If you plan on parking and entering the school, please use the exit lane to circle around and park in the parent/visitor parking. Please refer to the map on the opposite page for more information.
- Please refrain from using your cellular phone while driving in Ladera's parking lot.

Grades 1 – 5: When you first enter the lane to load/unload, please do not let your child exit/enter the car until you see the sign indicating you are in the loading/unloading zone (just past the handicapped sidewalk entrance by the front office). When you reach the loading/unloading zone, please pull as far forward as possible. This may be as far as the end of the multipurpose room. Of course, be mindful of anyone who may be crossing in the crosswalk. Once you have stopped in the loading/unloading zone, your child should **immediately** exit the car. Staff will be available to help your child out and to get their backpacks, if necessary. **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR.** As soon as your child has safely exited the car, please pull forward and exit as soon as it is safe. **Do NOT stay parked as you will hold up all cars behind you.**

AM & PM Kindergarten Drop-off: When you first enter the lane to load and unload, please do not let your child exit the car until you see your child's teacher by the Kindergarten gate. The cars will be unloaded one or two at a time. Please do not let your child exit the car until they are asked to by a teacher, staff member or parent volunteer.

AM Kindergarten Pick-up for morning: The procedure for morning pick-up is similar to the drop-off procedure. Pull up to the gate and wait at the curb for the teacher to load your child into the car. Please do not leave your car. The drop-off area may be crowded due to the fact that afternoon Kindergarten starts at 11:25.

PM Kindergarten Pick-up for afternoon: The Kindergarten afternoon pick-up time (2:48) comes right after the upper grade pick-up time (2:47). As a result, we need Kindergarten afternoon parents to observe the same pick-up rules as the rest of the school. When you reach the loading/unloading zone (begins at handicapped drop-off by the office), please pull as far forward as possible. This may be as far as the end of the multipurpose room. Of course, please be mindful of anyone who may be crossing in the crosswalk. Once you have pulled as far forward as possible and stopped in the loading/unloading zone, **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR.** A teacher will help your child get to your car. As soon as your child has safely entered the car, please pull forward and exit as soon as it is safe. **Do NOT stay parked as you will hold up all cars behind you.**

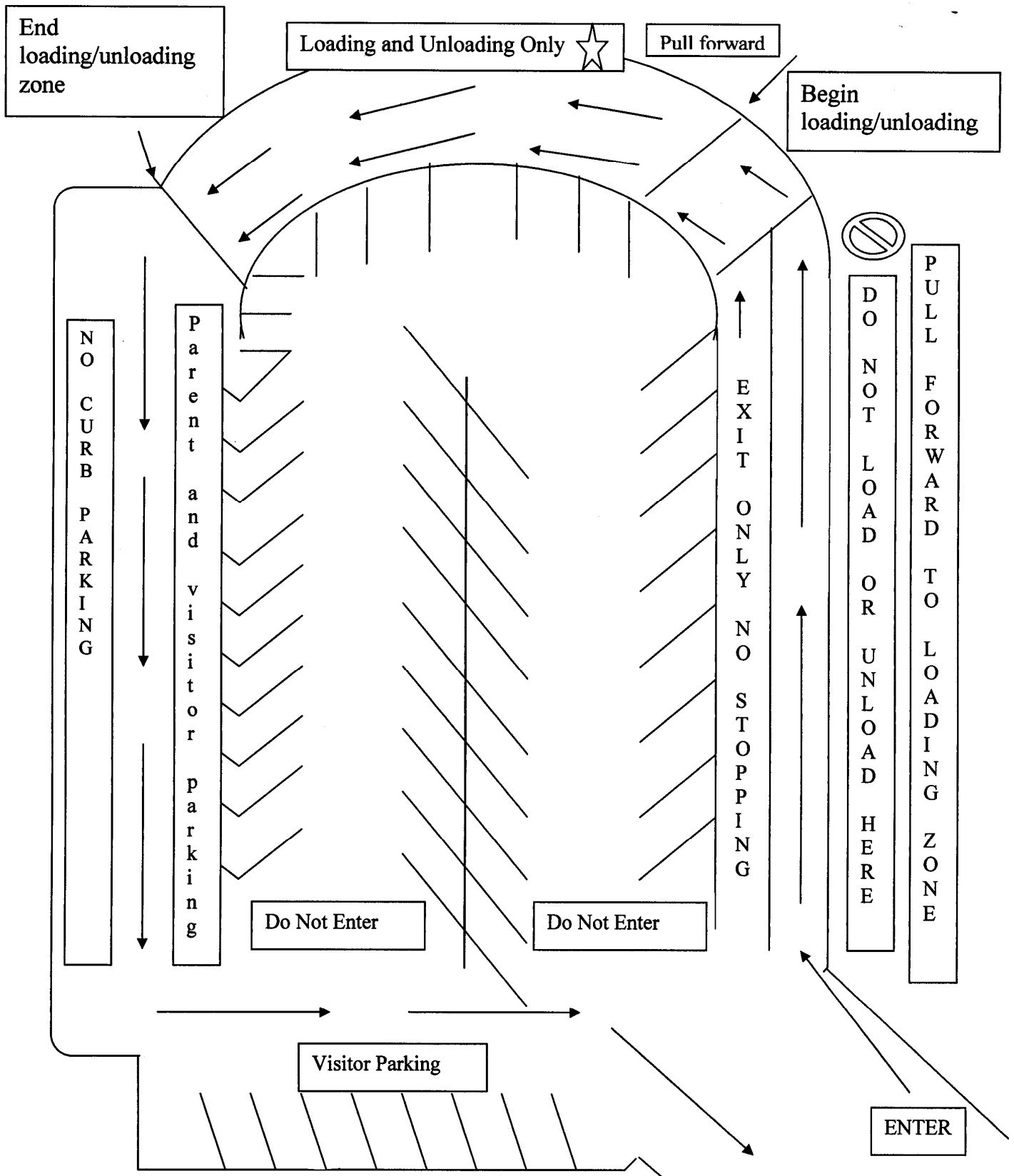
Afternoon Pick-Up: When picking up your child after school, please continue circling if you do not immediately see your child. Our staff has been instructed to have the children out on time. But, if your child is not there and you park and wait, then you will be holding up traffic for everyone behind you.

- Those picking up upper grade students (Grades 4-5) should not enter the loading/unloading zone until 2:47 (1:29 on Wednesdays). A waiting area will be available for primary grade (Grades 1-3) siblings dismissed at 2:35 (1:26 on Wednesdays).
- Those picking up PM Kindergarten students should not enter the loading/unloading zone until 2:48 (1:35 on Wednesdays). A waiting area will be available for upper grade siblings dismissed at 2:47 (1:29 on Wednesdays); primary grade siblings should be picked up at 2:35 (1:26 on Wednesdays).

For those who use the back gate: Many parents in the Tustin Ranch III Association have complained that drivers do not stop at the stop signs near the school on Township. Parents often engage in unsafe driving behaviors while dropping off or picking up their children. In order to ensure the safety of Ladera students, please stop at the stop signs on Township and Cheney, do not make U turns at Township or at the corner of Township & Cheney, do not double park, and please drive slowly.

We appreciate your patience and support as we work to keep our Ladera community safe. Thank you!

Ladera Parking Lot Map and Traffic Flow



Year Round

Non-Event Fundraising--It's Easy!

There are many programs that help schools earn money year-round simply by encouraging families to do their normal shopping. Check out some of the programs in which Ladera is participating:

eScrip – Electronic Scrip Inc (ESI) is a fundraising program that enables participating merchants to contribute a percentage of your grocery card, credit/debit card purchases to our school. Look for the sign up sheet in your child's back-to-school packet or register your **VONS CLUB, Macy's Card** and other **credit/debit cards** at eScrip's secure website, www.escrip.com. **Ladera's ID# is 500003144.**

10% Back to Schools: Vons and Pavilions will donate 10% of your grocery purchases of participating products to the local school of your choice every time you shop between August 6 and September 9, 2008. Look for products marked with the yellow school bus. 10% of the purchase price can support Ladera when you use your Club Card. Tell your friends and family too! For details, visit www.backtoschoolsescrip.com

SchoolPop – SchoolPop offers hundreds of stores, catalogs and online merchants that contribute a percentage of all purchases back to the school. You can also order magazines and earn 40% back to Ladera. Some participating merchants include: Barnes&Noble.com, Target.com, OfficeDepot.com, and Nordstrom.com. Signing up is easy – visit their website at www.schoolpop.com. **Ladera's ID# is 0631626**

Box Tops for Education – Earn CASH for Ladera. Box Tops are the easiest way for you to help support Ladera. It only takes a few minutes of your time to look, clip and save from products you purchase on a regular basis. Items include Bisquick, Kleenex, cereals, soups, popcorn, Ziploc, Pillsbury products and much more. Sending your Box Tops to school can add up to hundreds of dollars for Ladera's educational enrichments. For more information you can go to Box Tops for Education www.boxtops4education or contact Julie Wiggins peppermintjulie@cox.net

Ralphs and Albertsons Community Partner Programs – Register your Ralphs and Albertsons shopper card and earn 4-5% of your purchases each month back to Ladera. To sign up, look for the enrollment sheet in your child's back-to-school packet (one enrollment sheet per family) or go to the Ladera website. You will need the member numbers from the back of your grocery shopper card; phone numbers will NOT be sufficient.

Office Depot – Office Depot will give 5% back to Ladera for qualified purchases. Remember this during your back-to-school shopping for school supplies! Simply mention Ladera Elementary School at the time of your purchase for the school to get credit. **Ladera's ID # is 70117744.**

Target's Take Charge of Education Program – If you have a Target credit card or have been thinking of getting one, designate Ladera as the school that earns. Target will contribute 1% of all purchases back to Ladera! Sign up over the phone by calling 1-800-316-6142 or online at www.target.com. **Ladera's school ID# is 117383.**

For more information on all these programs, and direct links to their associated websites, check out the Ladera website at www.tustin.k12.ca.us/ladera/fundraising.

2008-2009 Ladera PTO Budget

Below is a summary of the proposed Ladera PTO 2007-2008 Budget, which will be submitted for approval at the first general PTO meeting of the school year on September 18th (Back-to-School Night).

FUNDRAISING	<u>Net Income/ Expense</u>
Spring Fundraiser	\$45,000
Membership	11,700
Fall Fundraiser	11,500
Other Fundraisers	5,750
Total	<u>\$73,950</u>
SPENDING	
PTO Paid personnel	\$44,500
Technology Reserve	10,000
Professional Learning Communities	6,250
Field Trips/Outdoor Ed	6,825
Art Masters	5,500
Assemblies	5,000
Teacher/School Supplies	6,700
Family Nights	4,000
Homework Club	3,500
Jr. Great Books	3,000
Teacher Appreciation Week	2,500
School Equipment	2,500
Administrative Expenses	2,400
Enrichment Materials	2,000
Field Day	2,000
PACE sponsorship	1,200
Library Books	1,000
5th Grade Events	2,200
Publicity Expenses	1,000
Principal discretionary funds	1,000
Running program	1,000
Drama Club	750
Garden Expense	750
Other Expenses	7,275
Total	<u>\$122,850</u>
NET BUDGETED EXPENSE IN EXCESS OF INCOME	<u>\$(48,900)</u>

Sign Up for Ladera's Email Blast

Please sign up for Ladera's e-mail information service and you'll receive periodic updates and reminders of current school news, events, and activities. Look for the authorization form in the information packets you'll receive on the first day of school or you can sign up on Ladera's website (www.tustin.k12.ca.us/ladera). Returning families will also need to return the authorization form for the new school year, and please be sure to let us know if your e-mail address has changed since last school year.

Ladera Elementary School – Suggested Student Supply List

Kindergarten

1	Backpack
1	3x5 white index cards – 100 count
1	3-5 assorted color index cards – 100 count
1	4oz. washable Elmer's white school glue
6	21oz. Elmer's washable glue sticks
1	16 count Crayola crayons
1	Box Crayola Classic washable markers – wide tip
1	Kleenex box

First Grade

1	Backpack
2	Dozen #2 yellow pencils – sharpened
2	24ct Crayola Crayons
1	5" blunt Friskar Scissors
1	12 count Crayola colored pencils
1	12 count Crayola Washable Markers (thick tip)
1	12 count Crayola Washable Markers (fine tip)
1	4 pack of Expo Dry Erase Markers (chisel tip)
1	4 pack of Expo Dry Erase Markers (fine tip)
1	felt eraser for marker board
1	4oz. bottle of Elmer's glue
8	Elmers washable glue sticks
2	Plastic pocket folders
2	Kleenex boxes
4	Rectangle pink erasers

Second Grade

1	Backpack
1	Space Maker pencil box 12 x 5 inches
4	Elmers' washable glue sticks
2	Dozen #2 pencils – sharpened
1	Crayola Crayons – 24 count
1	Friskar pointed scissors
1	Box Crayola colored pencils – 12 count
1	Box Crayola wide washable markers 8 count
1	Box Crayola thin washable markers – 8 count
2	Yellow highlighters
2	Pink erasers – rectangle shape
2	Thin Expo dry erase markers – thin
1	Pkg Expo dry erase markers – wide
1	4oz. bottle Elmer's glue
2	red plastic pocket folders
1	One inch clear view white 3 ring binder
2	Boxes of Kleenex
1	Standard/metric ruler – clear plastic

Third Grade

1	Backpack
1	Zippered pouch/pencil box containing
2	Dozen #2 pencils – sharpened
2	Large pencil erasers
1	8 count colored pencils
1	Fine tip permanent black marker
5	Glue sticks
1	Highlighter
2	Red pens
1	5" pointed student scissors
1	Box 24 count Crayola Crayons
1	Plastic standard/metric ruler
1	8 count fine point Crayola markers
2	200 count wide rule filler paper
1	3.5 IBM formatted disc (new)
1	4 pack Expo dry erase markers
1	Self contained hand held pencil sharpener
2	Kleenex boxes
2	Single subject spiral notebooks

Fourth Grade

1	One inch 3-ring binder with five pocket folders
1	Standard/metric ruler
2	Dozen #2 pencils
1	16 count box of crayons
1	Kleenex boxes
2	Highlighter
1	Self contained hand held pencil sharpener
2	Washable glue sticks
1	4oz. bottle of glue
1	Pair of 5" Friskar scissors
1	8 count colored pencils
4	Pink erasers
1	Zippered pouch
1	4 pack dry erase markers
1	Felt eraser for marker board
6	Red pens
1	200 count wide rule lined paper
1	Zip disk
1	9 x 12 dry erase board
1	Package yellow self stick notes
1	Fine point black sharpie
1	Plastic pencil box
1	8 count Crayola markers - thick
1	8 count Crayola markers - fine
2	Composition books

Fifth Grade

1	One inch 3 ring binder with Five pocket folders
2	200 count wide rule lined paper
1	Pencil box
1	Hand held self contained pencil sharpener
3	Washable glue sticks
1	12 pack red pens
1	Black sharpie fine point
1	6" protractor
1	Metal compass
1	8 count Crayola Marker (thick)
1	8 count Crayola Marker (fine)
1	Package colored pencils
1	Pad of graph paper
1	Standard/metric ruler
1	4 pack Dry Erase markers
3	Composition books
1	Dozen #2 pencils – sharpened
1	16 count Crayola Crayons
1	Computer memory stick
2	Kleenex boxes
2	Highlighters
1	Package yellow self stick notes
1	9x12 dry erase board



Note:
If you ordered a **SCHOOL TOOL BOX** school supplies kit at the end of the last school year, it will be delivered to your child's classroom on the first day of school.

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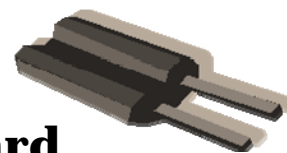
ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Join us for our annual Back-to-School Social

Pop on over to Ladera for popcorn and popsicles!



**Thursday, August 28th
4:30 – 6:30 P.M.**



At Ladera Elementary Courtyard

- 4:30 Class lists will be posted
- 4:30-5:30 Meet the teachers
- 4:30-5:00 Kindergarten Orientation in the Multi Purpose Room
- 5:00-5:30 New Family Orientation in the Multi Purpose Room