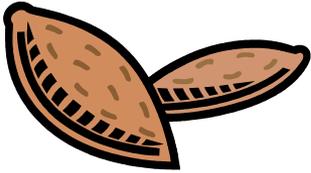




Art of Parental Involvement in Muscogee County School District

November 3, 2010
PIC Regional Meeting
Columbus Museum

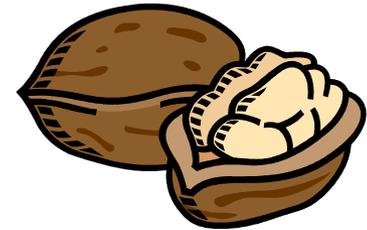
What Kind of Nut Are You???



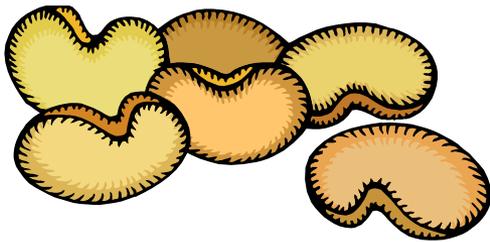
ALMOND



PEANUT



WALNUT



CASHEW



PECAN

What Does Nuts Tell About Us??

Your favorite variety of nut may reveal what you're really like.

- **Almond**-You have high standards, are very motivated, and tend to be a perfectionist.
- **Salted Peanut**- You're extroverted and charming, and crave attention.
- **Walnut**-You're competitive, and easily annoyed when life's inconveniences get in the way.
- **Cashew**-You're dependable and easy going
- **Pecan**-You're generous and considerate and a devoted, loyal friend.

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'STAY ON THE LINE WHILE MUMMY
READS YOU THE REPORT'

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING
YOUR HOMEWORK YOUNG MAN, NOT
DOWNLOADING PICTURES OF PLUCKED
CHICKENS FROM THE INTERNET...



Parental Involvement

Muscogee County School District

- 34 Elementary Schools (22 Title I Schools)
- 12 Middle Schools (6 Title I Schools)
- 9 High Schools (4 Title I Schools)
- 32 Title I Schools:
 - 11 Family Services Coordinators
 - 8 Parent Liaisons
 - 13 Parent Contacts

Myth I

Families Don't Care

- In a survey of 1500, school children were asked the question, “What makes your family happy? Most of them answered, “Doing things together.”
- Families often need direction in ways to support the student’s educational experience.
- MSCD supports the parents through educational experiences at the school and district level.

Myth 2

Parents do not feel it is their job to “teach” the child. It’s the school’s responsibility

- Studies show that the majority of parents want to know how to help their children at home and know what they can do to help their children succeed.
- MCSD works hard to provide opportunities for parents to be involved in their child’s education.

Myth 3:

The influence of parental involvement on school achievement depends on the parents' income, level of education, and employment status.

- Parent's attitude toward learning is more important than other factors.
- Working parents may not be able to work at school, but still stress the value of education.

Myth 4

Communication is a problem. I send home letters but never hear back from most parents

- Seek first to understand, then to be understood (Covey, 2000)
 - Ask the best way to contact them and best time for them to visit the school
 - Investigate using technology



Myth 5

They never come to the school

- Welcoming environment
- Flexible scheduling
- Consider using the term “**family involvement**” because many children are being raised by grandparent, aunt, uncle, foster home, group home etc.
- Establish climate for collaboration and model excitement for home-school relationships.

TEAMWORK IS A MUST



Laminator
* Please check rolls
before laminating
to make sure enough
is available for your
job.
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Title I Parent Liaisons, FSC, & Parent Contacts
Meeting

PARENT LIAISONS FAMILY SERVICES COORDINATORS PARENT CONTACTS' MONTHLY MEETINGS



CELEBRATING PARENTS IN THE MILITARY



DYNAMIC DADS



MAKE AND TAKE READING/MATH WORKSHOPS



BEING INVOLVED IN THE CLASSROOMS



LITERACY NIGHT



LITERACY NIGHT



MOTHER-DAUGHTER TEA



MATH WORKSHOPS



Problem #1 (6th Grade)

Work with your partner!

1. What is the volume of this CUBE?

The length of one side of the cube is 40 in. Formula: $V = s^3$

- a. 120 cubic inches
- b. 1600 cubic inches
- c. 6400 cubic inches
- d. 64000 cubic inches



GRANDPARENT'S DAY



PARENTS AS VOLUNTEERS



HEALTH FAIR



GRAND SLAM IN MARCH



GRAND SLAM IN MARCH



FAMILY MATH NIGHT



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT



In Closing

- If parents are with you, they will bring the community with them. If they are not, they will stop you dead. You need their protection when hostile winds blow

-Patrick Dean