

Parents Go To School Night

fall edition



September 30, 2015

6:00 – 7:30 pm on our Del Paso campus

Don't leave all the learning to your kids! Join us for an evening of inspiration! We will kick off the night with a Keynote Address by our Executive Director, John Eick. Then, tailor your learning as you choose two Break Out Sessions put on by our own Admin Team and partners!

Breakout Sessions:

- **Project Based Learning, The 5 C's - Jen Wilhelm** - Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking, and Culture. Project Based Learning (PBL) is a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an engaging and complex question, problem, or challenge. Students use the 5 C's as they participate in PBL in the classroom. Come learn about what PBL can do for your student in their learning!
- **Come Walk the New Campus - Steve Korvink** - Understand the *History* of where Westlake has been, learn the *Social Science* of how the school collaborated around the new campus design and become engaged with *Physical Education*, by "walking" through and experiencing the new campus. **Extra Credit:** This session will also provide an interactive, sneak peek into the plans that were recently submitted to the State for their review. You won't want to miss this one!
- **Getting Googley - John Eick** - Spend 30 minutes with Mr. Eick exploring Chromebooks and Google Apps for Education! Participants in this session will learn to create a document, add pictures to the document, add hyperlinks and insert a drawing! This session will prepare parents to help their own children build reports and projects in Google Apps for Education.
- **Grow Your Child's Intelligence - Emily Battin** - As parents, we are always looking for the best ways to support our students at home. Research now shows us that a student's own beliefs about their intelligence, and the way that they tackle complex problems, play an important role in their achievement in the school setting. As parents, we have the power to influence the development of these beliefs! You will leave this session with strategies to use at home to help your student develop a "Growth Mindset."
- **NWEA - Christina Eick** - Learn more about the NWEA adaptive testing Westlake participates in three times a year and how Westlake uses the data from those tests to personalize instruction for our students. Participants will also learn about the NWEA learning continuum and how they can use the skills from the continuum to help their students at home.
- **Dealing With Peer Conflict - Danielle Christy** - Has your child ever had a conflict with his/her peers? Then this session is for you! Although we wish we could prevent our children from ever having conflicts, we know that this is not a reality. If we teach them the right way to deal with conflict, we are setting them up for a lifetime of success. We will discuss how to increase your child's self-esteem and social skills, and how to model appropriate problem solving. Research has shown time and again that addressing a child's social-emotional learning leads to marked improvements in their academic performance as well!
- **Common Core Mathematics - Carole Pryor** - In this session we will consider the question "What are the Common Core Standards and how are they different?" We will explore the Standards for Mathematical Practice and learn a strategy that encourages critical thinking, curiosity, and engagement.