



# Tenaya Times

January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1/11	Saturday School
1/20	No School for MLK Day
1/28	Dodge Ridge Ski Trip 4-8th
2/10 & 2/17	No School President's Day
2/12	Jr. High Spelling Bee @ CC
3/17	Awards Ceremony
3/23-3/27	Spring Break

### SATURDAY SCHOOL ON 1/11.

### MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

will be observed on Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. No School

### PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAY

Tenaya Elementary will be closed on 2/10/20 and 2/17/20. In honor of Presidents Washington and Lincoln.

### WOODS CREEK LITTLE LEAGUE

Do you have a child age 4-14 who loves to play baseball? Register online at [www.woodscreeklittleleague.com](http://www.woodscreeklittleleague.com).

### ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

January 6<sup>th</sup> was the first day of our attendance challenge. The week of 12/9 we had 21 tardies, 38 early dismissals and 85 absences. Every minute counts so please make appointments for your child during break or after school. The class with the highest attendance rate will receive a prize at the end of the month.

### SAVE THE DATE

Ski Trip for 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades on Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at Dodge Ridge.

### EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC)

Based on your annual earnings, you may be eligible to receive the Earned Income Tax Credit from the Federal Government (Federal EITC). The Federal EITC is a refundable federal income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. The Federal EITC has no effect on certain welfare benefits. In most cases, Federal EITC payments will not be used to determine eligibility for Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, food stamps, low-income housing, or most Temporary Assistance For Needy Families payments. Even if you do not owe federal taxes, you must file a federal tax return to receive the Federal EITC. Be sure to fill out the Federal EITC form in the Federal Income Tax Return Booklet. For information regarding your eligibility to receive the Federal EITC, including information on how to obtain the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Notice 797 or any other necessary forms and instructions, contact the IRS by calling 1-800-829-3676 or through its website at; [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). You may also be eligible to receive the California Earned Income Tax Credit (California EITC) starting with the calendar year 2015 tax year. The California EITC is a refundable state income tax credit for low-income working individuals and families. The California EITC is treated in the same manner as the Federal EITC and generally will not be used to determine eligibility for welfare benefits under California law. To claim the California EITC, even if you do not owe California taxes, you must file a California income tax return and complete and attach the California EITC Form (FTB 3514). For information on the availability of the credit eligibility requirements and how to obtain the necessary California forms and get help filing, contact the Franchise Tax Board at 1-800-852-5711 or through its website at [www.ftb.ca.gov](http://www.ftb.ca.gov).

### A REMINDER

With winter well on the way, please do not share hats, scarves, jackets, etc. as we do not want to spread lice. Parents, please help with not spreading lice by checking your children's heads daily. Also, putting tea tree oil in their shampoo deters them from spreading.

### INCLEMENT WEATHER

Please train yourself to listen to **KVML (AM 14.50) KKBN (FM 93.5) OR KZSQ (FM 92.7)**. You can also check [mymotherlode.com](http://mymotherlode.com) for delays or closures.

If we have a late start, **KINDERGARTEN** will start at 10:20 they must either sign up for hot lunch or bring a cold lunch from home. They will stay till 3 pm.

### PLEASE JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST OR LUNCH

For menu options please check our website at [www.bigoakflatgrovelandusd.org](http://www.bigoakflatgrovelandusd.org). Breakfast is \$1.80 and lunch is \$2.80.

### STUDENT CELL PHONE POLICY

Recent Board Policy allows students to carry their phones for use in case of an emergency, but they must remain in silent mode. However, Board Policy still prohibits use of phones during school hours, this includes texting, phone calls, taking pictures and use of social media. If students violate this policy:

- \*1<sup>st</sup> offense-phone will be taken and held in office until the end of the day.
- \*2<sup>nd</sup> offense-phone will be taken, student will have detention and parent will be required to pick up the phone.
- \*3<sup>rd</sup>-offense-student will be required to attend Saturday school.