

# Digno de Nota

Spanish Immersion Program - Maxwell  
October 13, 2008

## Spanish Immersion Middle School Information Night

Learn about the Bryan Station Middle School Spanish Immersion Continuation Program from Maxwell.

**Where:** Maxwell Elementary Gym

**When:** October 28th Tuesday at 6pm

Meet the Middle School Teachers and Principal.

Hear about the Middle School Test Scores and Classes.

Hear from some parents and students currently at the middle school about dress code, athletics, and extra curricular activities. Ask questions and get all the information on the program and what the program really has to offer.

## CHILDREN'S ART WORK

If you purchased your child's artwork from Taste of Maxwell, we are in the process of filling the orders. We hope to have them filled by October 23. If you don't receive them by then, please contact Vikki Wilson at [vikkilwilson@hotmail.com](mailto:vikkilwilson@hotmail.com) or Tammy Margolies at 272-9650.

## Festival de Latino

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Festival de Latino performance a huge success! On Saturday, September 20, approximately 100 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Maxwell students performed "Español Alrededor del Mundo" (Spanish Around the World) at the Festival de Latino in downtown Lexington. The program included 8 songs and dances from Spain, Mexico, Colombia, Peru, Cuba, and Puerto Rico. Many of the students also volunteered to teach others how to make "Ojo de Dios" art projects at the Fayette County Public Schools booth. PTA donated the supplies for the art project. Many parents helped in making and decorating beautiful costumes and props for the performance.

About 40 students presented a portion of the program for the School Board meeting on Monday, September 22. There were many teachers and staff members there to help show the kids where to go and work behind the scenes to help with costumes and sound. Thanks, Mrs. Bell, for helping our little "coqui" frogs get on and off the stage! Here are some comments from Julie Hawkins, our Elementary School Director, and Superintendent Stu Silberman:

Ms. Hawkins wrote: The performance last night at the Board meeting was precious. It's amazing to hear the little guys speak and sing fluently in Spanish. Thanks so much for all the work that went in to putting the performance together. It was definitely the highlight of my day.

Stu added: *It was great!!! Everyone loved it! Heather please pass our thanks on to your staff and kids.*

We appreciate all the support from Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Grant, our faculty and staff, PTA, and parent volunteers who helped with both events. Most of all, we are very proud of the students for their efforts to memorize and perform so many songs and dances in such a short time! It was such a success we're already talking about next year!

**Lydia Wainwright and Gloria Arteaga-Hinton**

## KUDOS to Ms. Wainwright and Sra. Arteaga-Hinton in Stu's News

In their preparations for Lexington's Fiesta Latino, **Lydia Wainwright** and **Gloria Arteaga-Hinton** have gone above and beyond their normal duties at Maxwell Elementary to make this an amazing experience for our students. They have spent the last two weeks giving up their lunch times and planning periods in order to meet with all of our third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students to practice for the performance Saturday. They have made costumes, choreographed productions and coordinated with all of our staff to make this special for the students. They have given our students an experience that goes beyond the core content. They show our students how truly dedicated they are and how much they both care about every student here.

- Submitted by Michelle Grant, PSA

## SILENT AUCTION

Thanks to all the people who helped make Silent Auction a success. We appreciate all the generous donation by our talented parents, local businesses, and "friends". It was a wonderful success and we will be sending out a report of the money raised as soon as we close out the silent auction payments. **If you need to pick up a certificate or item, please contact us so we can arrange to get it to you.**

Tammy Margolies at [t.margolies@insightbb.com](mailto:t.margolies@insightbb.com)/272-9650 or Ann McKinley at [jmack5@insightbb.com](mailto:jmack5@insightbb.com)

## WALK YOUR KIDS TO SCHOOL

Thanks to Melissa Wallace for organizing this day for us. We served the children scoops of fun cereal with toppings in a ziplock bag as they entered the building. We had a good turn out for walker even though it was RAINING!!! We appreciate all that participated and are already planning for next year.

# Upcoming Events

Oct. 13	Mon	7:45AM Folder Stuffing 5PM Organizational Meeting for Parent Spanish Classes	In PTA room In Sr. Mato's Classroom Room 232
Oct. 14	Tue	4:30 PM SBDM Meeting	In library
Oct. 15	Wed	Magnet Application Window Closes	Last day to apply for 2009-10 school year.
Oct. 16	Thu	Fall Break	No School
Oct. 17	Fri	Fall Break	No School
Oct. 18	Sat		
Oct. 19	Sun		
Oct. 20	Mon	7:45AM Folder Stuffing	In PTA room
Oct. 21	Tue		
Oct. 22	Wed		
Oct. 23	Thu		
Oct. 24	Fri	Tiles	In student's classroom 7:45-8:45 1st-4th . 8:45-9:45 in 5th.
Oct. 25	Sat		
Oct. 26	Sun		

## **Art Room Information:**

The PTA purchased a food processor and cooking utensils, bowls, and cleaning supplies for Senora Arteaga. She is getting ready to offer "cooking" in the classes and will need volunteers. She would love to have volunteers any day of the week and you don't have to commit to any specific day or time. It really is fun!

**Library needs volunteers to shelve books and you can stop by any time you have a few minutes.**

**We need volunteers for Vision Screening on October 24, 8:15 AM - 10:15AM in the cafeteria.**

If you can volunteer any of that time, please contact Jaime Nebbitt at [janebb@email.uky.edu](mailto:janebb@email.uky.edu) or Tammy Margolies at 272-9650.

**Please offer to sharpen pencils for your teachers. You can do this at home! They would love you!!!**

## **Cans For Cash**

Start collecting your cans! We are participating in "Cans for Cash" Contest!!! More details next week. Target date to bring to school is October 29! More later.

## **El Jardin**

**The Maxwell Elementary Salad Bar is Back in Action And needs your help!**

The salad bar has been a terrific way for our children to make healthy lunchroom choices at Maxwell. Every Thursday the Maxwell Cafeteria has the opportunity to offer our kids fresh greens, fresh produce and dairy selections on a self-serve basis. Remember, the more often a child is exposed to an unfamiliar or unappealing food, the more likely they are to try and continue to eat these foods in the future. These kids eat more green bell peppers and beets than any others I've seen.

**THE SALAD BAR CANNOT BE OPEN WITHOUT PARENTAL SUPERVISION**

Please help keep the salad bar going strong by helping to monitor it on Thursdays, 10:45am—12:15pm in 30 minute shifts. It's a piece of cake ( we mainly sop up any messes and keep up with the flow of salad dressing). I'll send a sign up sheet tom everyone well in advance. This is a great way to kill two birds with one stone. Take one shift at the salad bar and then have a bite with your child!

Please email Christin Helmuth at [christinwynne@yahoo.com](mailto:christinwynne@yahoo.com) or call 269-8042 for more information.

## **Spanish Classes for Parents**

There will be an organizational meeting on Monday October 13th at 5PM for anyone interested in these free classes. If you are interested but unable to attend contact Sr. Mato at [david.mato@fayette.schools.us](mailto:david.mato@fayette.schools.us)