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Dear Reader,

“Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven’t found it yet, keep looking. Don’t settle. As with all matters of the heart, you’ll know when you find it.” ~ Steve Jobs

Our wish is that all of our students will soar and obtain their desired goals! That he/she will **“not settle”** for anything less than **“great work and to love it”** once it is obtained! We, the staff at Piute Mountain School – Caliente Union School District, wish our Graduating Class of 2017 – “Enjoy life, a great future is awaiting for you as you embark into a new educational venue.” There are eight - 8th grade graduates and six out of the eight are “Lifers” meaning they started their beginning educational journey, here, with us, in Pre-K or Kindergarten – Faith Cole, Michael Bonas, Hayden Comer, Jenna Mayer, Mark Penney and Remington Schallock.

Congratulations Graduating Class of 2017: Destiny Black, Michael Bonas, Faith Cole, Hayden Comer, Carousel Enochs, Jenna Mayer, Mark Penney, and Remington Schallock! Job well done!

District News:

1. **BIIG Grant** – Piute Mountain School’s Broadband Tower is in place. We received it the day before State testing, SBAC, started. We are delighted that the tower is in place! One very sad note is that the State reneged on their offer to pay the fee for the next five years, \$4,000 per year. They did, however pay for the tower.
2. **2017-2018 Teacher Assignments:** I sent out a note to all Piute parents in regards to next year’s teacher assignments: Mrs. Green – Kinder-2nd grade, Mrs. Penney – 3rd – 5th grade, and Mrs. Wagner – 6th-8th grade. Mr. Arevalo will not be returning next year due to family responsibilities and needing to be closer to home. Congratulations Mr. A on the birth of your baby boy! We wish Mr. Arevalo and his family well and we thank him for our year together 2016-2017.
3. **Average Daily Attendance:** We have 51 students this year and our Average Daily Attendance is at 46.39. Students must be in school to learn! We do have some chronically absent students and that lack of attendance is calculated into our ADA. Please make every effort to have your child in school, except when he/she is truly sick. Please plan vacations around our ‘times off’. One of the beauties of having a ‘Modified Year Round’ calendar is that our families have school breaks throughout the school year! Our 1st Goal on our LCAP – Local Control Accountability Plan – The District’s students will improve from 9% absent rate to 5% absent rate by 2018. I will attend a Truancy Workshop, September 2017 and find out how the state is addressing the truancy issues across the state. Please help eradicate this situation in our district! Thank you!
4. **Music Lessons** – Thank you Mr. Gerry, Dan Whitmore, and Catherine Thaden for providing our students with music lessons! Thank you for the May 31 recital! So much fun to see our students shining as they displayed their talents for the entire student body.
5. **Volunteers:** We are in need of volunteers to help read with students for 2017-2018 school year! We have a program, Read Live, that Mr. Sharman faithfully runs and works with our students. If we had scheduled volunteers for certain days of the week, our students would be immersed into some intensive reading skill building practice. Please contact the office if you are interested in committing to train and then working with

students. Thank you in advance! Thank you Mrs. Sharman for coming in once a week and providing our Kindergarten class with extra enrichment!

6. **Huge Thank You** : Bill Hesse - Thank you for weed whacking our roof! It looks **fantastic**! Thank you, Marci Mauthe for donating scissors and puppets to the Kinder-2nd grade classroom! Thank you, Terry Giddes for donating graduation plates and napkins. Thank you, Paulette Kelsch and Stan Shires for sending in "Box Tops for Education". Piute Mountain just received a check for \$51.60 from "Box Tops"! Thank you.
7. **Public Hearings**: Please be advised that on June 19th there will be three Public Hearings – LCAP, Budget, and Developer Fees Study findings.
8. **Teacher assignments for next year** – Kinder-2nd grade – Mrs. Green, 3rd – 5th grade – Mrs. Penney, and 6th-8th grade – Mrs. Wagner.
9. **A Very Big Thank You!** Our PTC this year gave our staff a wonderful three day event! They served us breakfast with goodies one day, Lunch another day, so delicious, and the final day HUGE bowls of decadent desserts! Thank you, Trisha Corum, Tyler Chambers, Elaine Williams, and Tiffany Black for an outstanding job! You are forever the best of the best!

*****If you are someone that has a gifted talent or just a love to teach students sewing, cooking, foreign language, gardening, reading to students, please contact my office for a meeting with me. I would love to hear from you!**

"A gift consists not in what is done or given, but in the intention of the giver or doer." ~ Lucio Anneo Seneca

*****Please take time to check us out on our web page at: calienteschooldistrict.org**

Calendar Markers

June 1 – 8th graders go to Magic Mountain
June 3 – Family Fun Day at Ed Oakley Hall
June 6 – Kindergarten graduation – 10 am
June 6 – 8th grade graduation – 7 pm
June 7 – Noon dismissal (Year book signing and 8th grade affirmation)
June 8 – Noon Dismissal
June 9 – Noon Dismissal – Awards Assembly – 9 am. -K-4th, and 10:15 am 5th-8th
June 19 – Public Hearing and regular Board Meeting – 6:30 pm
June 20 – Special Board Meeting – 6:30 pm
July 20th – Back to School Night
July 24 – 2017-2018 School Year begins!

Thank you for your continued support!
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