



**PARENT  
TEACHER  
CLUB \* AND \*  
VOLUNTEER  
GUIDE**

**2018-2019**

# **MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY**

**A neighborhood school with a global view**

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**Founded in 1925, McKinley Elementary School is located in the heart of North Park. McKinley prepares students to become critical thinkers, lifelong learners and responsible global citizens.**

## **Some of McKinley's features include:**

- Authorized school for the International Baccalaureate (IB) program
- GATE (Gifted and Talented Education) testing
- Foreign language
- Ceramics, garden, music, art and theater programs
- Specialized academic instruction for students with IEPs
- Targeted instruction for English language learners
- After School Enrichment Programs on minimum days
- Extended childcare programs (on site): PrimeTime and Character Builders
- Active Parent Teacher Club (PTC) who organize many family and community activities

# MCKINLEY'S PARENT TEACHER CLUB

- The McKinley Parent Teacher Club (PTC) is a group of parents and school staff who volunteer their time to create a variety of fun events for our kids, our families and our community.
- The PTC orchestrates a wide range of activities and services. We help raise school spirit, advocate parent/teacher issues directly to our school board, and supplement funding our school receives from State and Federal funding.
- Spanish, art, ceramics, dance, music, garden, student field trips and a variety of other events are provided from funds raised by PTC activities.
- All funds raised by the PTC are collected through a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization called the "**McKinley School Foundation of San Diego**". All donations are tax deductible.
- We urge all parents to join in making a difference for our school, our staff, and most of all, our children.
- There are volunteer opportunities that fit every working schedule. And, there is no cost to join the PTC!
- E-mail us for information on how to become involved: [mckinleyptcfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:mckinleyptcfoundation@gmail.com)
- Visit our website and subscribe to receive e-mail updates: [mckinleyptc.org](http://mckinleyptc.org)
- Visit us on Facebook: McKinley Elementary PTC

***Be informed and become involved!***

## **McKinley School Foundation Board 2018- 2019**

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# MCKINLEY PARENT TEACHER CLUB COMMITTEES

**Please consider joining one of these efforts:**

**Communications Committee** – keep the parents, teachers and community members informed about McKinley Elementary events and activities. This committee maintains:

- McKinley PTC website and blog: [mckinleyptc.org](http://mckinleyptc.org)
- Facebook page: McKinley Elementary PTC
- Weekly information papers
- McKinley PTC Google Calendar

Contact Bridgette Tullis - [npfam@me.com](mailto:npfam@me.com)

**Beautification Committee** – enhances campus facilities

- Garden and landscaping upkeep
- Create murals, mosaics, signage around campus
- Participate in Clean Up the Campus-Green Day event  
2x/year

Contact Beautification Committee Chairs:

Marney Jensen & Jen Spencer - [mckinleygarden@yahoo.com](mailto:mckinleygarden@yahoo.com)

**Room Parent Committee** – shares information with the classroom teacher and parents

- Maintain the contact information for your child’s classroom
- Work with the teacher to help facilitate information to parents
- Help the teacher plan fun classroom activities

Contact Room Parent Committee Chair, Pauline Treviño  
mckinleyroomparentscoordinator@gmail.com

**Fundraising Committee** – works with the Foundation on fundraising targets including online drives, grant writing and local business partnerships.

- Help with new fundraising ideas
- Managing donor sustaining program
- Grant writing support
- Grocery store loyalty program coordinate
- eScrip

Contact Foundation President, Maribel King  
mckinleyptcfoundation@gmail.com

**After School Enrichment (ASE) Committee** – coordinates a variety of after school enrichment programs for Thursday’s minimum day dismissal (chess, Flamenco, ceramics, gardening, yoga).

- Determine program offerings and schedule
- Work with instructors
- Coordinate classroom locations for each program
- Help on campus with assisting children to/from each program location

Contact ASE Committee Chair, Blair Hartwell  
asemckinley@gmail.com

## **OTHER MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY COMMITTEES**

**English Learner Committee (ELAC)** – ELAC provides parents of English Learners with opportunities to advise the principal and school staff on the most positive and effective programs and services to improve learning of English Learners. All schools with 21 or more students with English as a Second Language (ESL) program must have an ELAC Committee. ELAC is the advisory board to the school on four key issues including the school plan for English Learners, needs assessment, administration of language census, and efforts to raise awareness regarding the importance of attendance. The committee meets once a month typically on Wednesdays at 9:15 am in the Community Room.

Contact: McKinley Elementary School Office  
619-282-7694

**School Site Council (SSC)** – The SSC plans school goals and objectives, curriculum modifications, monitors progress and evaluates outcomes. The SSC is charged with the legal responsibility to ensure that services meet the needs of special student populations and oversee the Site Plan for Student Achievement. The SSC is also responsible for categorical funding, such as Title I and Second Language to help make decisions that ensure an outstanding and inclusive education program is at McKinley. The Council is made up of parents, the principal, teachers, school staff and community members. The council elects two members to act as the District Advisory Council (DAC) representative and the alternate. Focus on improving student achievement for all students. The SCC typically meets the first Tuesday of the month from 4:00-6:00pm in the library.

Contact: McKinley Elementary School Office  
619-282-7694



# **MCKINLEY'S BIG FUNDRAISING EVENTS**

## **Jog-a-thon**

This annual event in early October offers a fun opportunity for kids to get involved in raising money for McKinley. The jog-a-thon promotes physical fitness as the kids run laps around the school campus. Kids can get their family, friends and neighbors to sponsor them via an online donation website or paper forms. Every child with one donation has the chance to win a raffle for prizes such as a bicycle, LEGOLAND coupons, movie passes, museum and attraction tickets. Top money earners are entered to win a pizza party with the principal and more. Volunteer to help solicit sponsors, organize prizes, count laps, hand out water and more.

Contact Kristin Pavon - [jogathonmckinley@gmail.com](mailto:jogathonmckinley@gmail.com)

## **SoNo Fest**

2018 will be our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual SoNo Fest and Chili Cook-Off! In connection with San Diego Ceramic Connection, you can purchase handmade ceramic bowls and try over 40 kinds of chili from local restaurants and community members. This huge festival features two stages of live music, massive local beer garden, local craft vendors, food trucks and a kid's zone with jumpy houses and carnival games. SoNo Fest is held the first Sunday of December on 32<sup>nd</sup> and Thorn Streets. Help out with the planning prior or on the day of the event.

Contact Brijet Myers - [sonofestchilicookoff@gmail.com](mailto:sonofestchilicookoff@gmail.com)  
[sonofestchilicookoff.com](http://sonofestchilicookoff.com)

## **McKinley Gala**

The McKinley Annual Gala is held each April and gives our parents, friends and community a great night out on the town. Held in a local North Park Venue, the McKinley Gala offers a fun time for everyone with great food, casino tables, live music, silent auctions and much more all to raise funds for our school. Each year we pick a different theme and creative costumes are encouraged. Please volunteer to help plan the event and solicit silent auction prizes.

Contact Nancy Flores - [mckinleygala@gmail.com](mailto:mckinleygala@gmail.com)

## **McKinley Dine-Out Nights**

McKinley Dine-Out Nights are typically held the third Thursday of each month. Place an order from the featured local restaurant and the restaurant will donate at least 20% of the proceeds to McKinley. It's a great way to check out a new restaurant, have a family night out and maybe bump into a friend or two from school. Help out with approaching new restaurants to participate or printing flyers and posting around campus and handing out in the community.

Contact Carmen & Munish Asnani - [mckinleydineout@gmail.com](mailto:mckinleydineout@gmail.com)

## **OTHER EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

**McKinley Theatre Co.** - Each December students have the opportunity to participate in a free theater production held in our own McKinley Theater-Auditorium. Families, friends and community members are invited to performances. Past performances include Wizard of Oz, Jungle Book, Mary Poppins, Annie and Seussical the Musical. Students must audition. Families of Cast & Stage Crew must volunteer and/or contribute to the production (rehearsals, performances, costumes, set building, etc.).

Contact Pauline Treviño - [mckinleytheatrecompany@gmail.com](mailto:mckinleytheatrecompany@gmail.com)

**Variety Show** – Our super fun annual Variety Show allows the McKinley students the opportunity to perform on stage. The students create their own acts, participate in rehearsals and invite their families and friends to come watch the amazing evening performance. Typically, the Variety Show is held in March at a theater venue close to school campus. Volunteers are needed to help at rehearsals, backstage during the performance and selling tickets, concessions and more.

Contact Geysil Arroyo - [varietyshowmckinley@gmail.com](mailto:varietyshowmckinley@gmail.com)

**Toyland Parade** – All McKinley students are welcome to march with the McKinley Chapter in the North Park Toyland Parade. The parade is typically held the first Sunday in December and runs along University Ave between Utah and Iowa Streets. The McKinley crew wears matching shirts and has a great time marching to represent our school.

Contact: TBD

**Running Club** – Every day starting at 8:05 AM ALL students and their families are invited to run, walk, skip, or hop at McKinley’s beautiful track! Students are encouraged to run EVERY DAY (and most do), but it’s not required. Parents and student(s) are welcome to come as often or as little as they want during the week. The Lap Tracker system is used and provides each student with an ID card and a parent volunteer uses a scanner to register each lap. Lap reports are displayed near the track, parents and students are encouraged to check out the students’ progress. Participating students receive running feet charms for the number of completed laps, enjoy a celebration at the end of the school year and more! Check the PTC website for the official start date.

There is no need to register, just have your student(s) come to the running track to run in the morning and then start the school day energized and ready to learn!

Volunteers are needed to help set up for the club in the morning: place boxes with ID cards on the blacktop, scan ID cards and supervise students. Volunteers are also needed towards the end of the school year to help organize the end of the year celebration.

Contact Geysil Arroyo - [mckinleyrunclub@gmail.com](mailto:mckinleyrunclub@gmail.com)

**In-classroom opportunities** – Ask your child’s teacher how you can help in the classroom. If you are interested in being a Room Parent, please contact Pauline Treviño - [mckinleyroomparentscoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:mckinleyroomparentscoordinator@gmail.com)

# **International Baccalaureate (IB) Program**

McKinley Elementary is part of the IB worldwide organization that shares the commitment to quality international education.

Teachers receive special training throughout the year to support the principles of the IB program and develop curriculum that is taught in schools worldwide.

The mission of the IB Program is to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

The IB program and mission statement form an umbrella to link all McKinley activities. The goal is to continually develop and strengthen all aspects of our learning environment and school culture to reflect high-quality, rigorous and challenging education programs for our children and to prepare them for the K-12 IB curriculum.

Funds raised by the PTC events support the IB program by funding the annual IB program fees, IB training for teachers and staff and the Spanish, ceramics, art and garden programs all designed to meet the IB learner profile.

To learn more about the IB program, please visit [www.ibo.org](http://www.ibo.org).

**As our school continues to grow, we urge all parents to join the PTC in making a difference for our school, our staff and for our children!**

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