



# Anna Yates Update

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*The vision of Anna Yates Elementary is to provide a rigorous instructional program that develops the whole child in a safe and nurturing environment in partnership with home, school and community.*

## Anna Yates Elementary

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### Principal

Jaguanana Lathan

### Administrative Staff

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Jessica Odon

## Emery Unified School District

4727 San Pablo Avenue

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(510) 601-4900

### Superintendent

John Sugiyama, Ed.D

### Deputy Superintendent

Anakarita Allen

## UPCOMING DATES

8/20

- New Family Orientation  
5:30-6:30PM

8/31

- School Begins!!!

9/3

- 1:30 Dismissal K-6

9/7

- Labor Day-NO SCHOOL

9/21-24

- Scholastic Book Fair

9/24

- Back-To-School Night

## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

*Greetings,*

*On behalf of Anna Yates Staff, I welcome all of our new and existing families to another wonderful school year at Anna Yates! As the opening of school quickly approaches, I hope this information will help you and your children experience a smooth transition into the school year. We look forward to another exciting and productive year!*

*- Jaguanana Lathan, Principal*

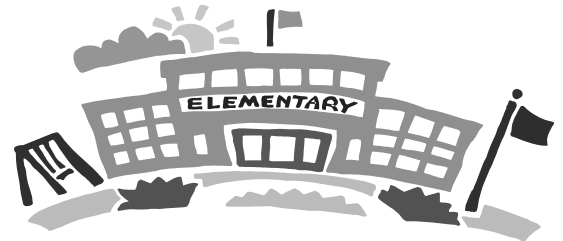
### SCHOOL ORIENTATION

The school orientation is scheduled for new students and families, and will take place Thursday, August 20, 2009 from 5:30-6:30PM. You will have the opportunity to meet the Site Administration regarding the first week of school, receive pertinent information, verify enrollment, and hear how you can become involved with school activities.

### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

**Monday, August 31, 2009**

- 8:30AM - 3:00PM (1st-6th)
- 8:30AM—1:30PM (kindergarten)



On the first day of school, the school campus will open at 8:00AM. Please do not drop students off at school before 8:00AM. **Supervision is not provided before that time and the school will be locked.** The back gate and front door will open at 8:00AM. Please do not proceed to classrooms to find teachers before 8:30AM. We understand that many families are anxious to meet teachers, however, it is imperative that our teachers properly prepare their classrooms and lessons for students to ensure a successful day. All staff will be available to greet families on the playground at 8:15AM. Please do not double park as this poses a safety hazard for students and families.

### DAILY ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

The morning bell rings at 8:27AM and classes start promptly at 8:30AM. The building and gates are locked until 8:00AM. The back gate is locked at 8:30AM promptly. Tardy students must enter through the front doors of the school. Students who arrive at school between 8:30 and 8:40AM may proceed to class, but are still considered tardy and will be marked down accordingly by their teacher. Students who arrive to school after 8:40AM must receive a tardy pass from the office in order to be admitted to class. Students are dismissed at 3:00 PM (with the exception of kindergartners and minimum days). Parents are asked to make arrangements for the timely pick up of their child, immediately after school.

## PICKING-UP AND DROPPING-OFF STUDENTS

### Drop-Off

Students can be dropped-off on either 41st or 43rd streets. Again, due to construction, there is limited parking spaces and traffic detours on 43rd Street.

### Pick-Up

- All kindergarten students are walked to the front of the school for dismissal at 1:30PM.
- Students in grades 1st and 2nd should be picked-up at the front of the school on 41st Street.
- Students in grades 3-6 should be picked-up at the back of the school on 43rd Street.
- If you have children who are in both primary and upper grades, they should be picked-up at the back gate.
- All Emeryville Recreation students line up on the playground and are picked-up by Rec. Center personnel.

### When dropping-off and picking-up children, parents and all drivers should adhere to the following:

- Park along the curb-pick-up/drop off zone. Do not block driveways and do not park and leave your vehicle in the white zone.
- Do not double or triple park!
- Drive slowly at all times in the school zone areas.



## SCHOOL HOURS

Grades 1-6 .....Monday - Wednesday, Friday 8:30AM - 3:00PM

Kindergarten .....Monday -Friday 8:30AM - 1:30PM

All Grades .....Thursdays/ minimum days, 8:30AM - 1:30PM

Office Hours .....Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 4:00PM

Teacher/ Principal Conferences .....Arranged by appointment (call or stop by the main office)



## BREAKFAST/ LUNCH

Breakfast and lunch will be provided the first week of school for students. Afterwards, each student's status (free/ reduced, full price) will stay the same until the second week of September, or until your application has been processed. It is important that you complete the Meal Program application given to your child in the first Wednesday packet. Program applications should be returned to the office or your child's teacher before September 4, 2009. An application will be given to your child on the first day of school. You can also download the Free and Reduced Applications at [www.emeryusd.org](http://www.emeryusd.org) (Go to: Departments, Wellness, then Application for Free and Reduced Meals).

Breakfast Hours:           **8:00AM - 8:25AM**

Prices :                        Breakfast.....\$1.50 (full price) or free

                                      Lunch .....\$2.50 (full price) or free

                                      Milk .....\$0.50

Please pack healthy lunches. Students are not allowed to bring soda, candy, or hot chips to school. These items will be immediately thrown away.



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

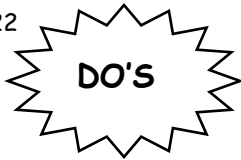
Backpack (rolling backpacks ok)	Notebook Paper
Pencils and erasers	Ruler
Crayons	Travel Size Hand Sanitizer
Markers	3 Ring Binder
Glue sticks	

**(Some teachers may have requests for additional supplies.)**



# DRESS FOR SUCCESS-DRESS STANDARDS & SCHOOL UNIFORM

Students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade are required to wear uniforms and wear appropriate attire. Please contact Bancroft Uniforms to purchase monogrammed Anna Yates polo shirts, sweaters, sweater vests and sweat pants—Address: 590 Dutton Ave-San Leandro, CA 94577 (510) 638-1622



Students may wear:

## TOPS

**Colors:** collared white, navy blue and light blue (SOLID COLORS ONLY - NO PATTERN SHIRTS OR T-SHIRTS)

**Types:** collared button down shirts or polo shirts, turtlenecks, sweater vests, Anna Yates sweat shirts, or Anna Yates t-shirts

## BOTTOMS

**Colors:** navy blue or khaki colored (SOLID COLORS ONLY)

**Types:** pants, walking shorts, skirts, skorts, jumpers, Capri-pants, corduroys, sweat pants

**No jeans, stripes, or patterns!**

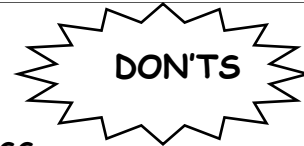
**Boys must wear belts with their pants.**

## SHOES

Students must wear closed toe and heel shoes for safety.

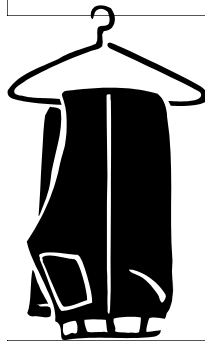
## HATS/ SCARVES

Students may wear baseball hats outdoors for sun protection. However, baseball hats are not allowed indoors. Ski hats can be worn indoors and outdoors during cold weather. Girls may wear stylish scarves during a "bad hair" day or when they are in the process of taking down or putting in braids.



## INAPPROPRIATE UNIFORM DRESS

- No denim of any kind, except jackets. Students should not wear jean pants, jean shorts, jean jumpers, etc.
- Rhinestones are not a part of the uniform. Students should not wear pants or tops that are accessorized with rhinestones or similar jewelry.
- Athletic Wear - Students can only wear sweat pants and shirts that are solid in color (navy blue). Athletic wear that are highlighted with stripes, NBA logos, gaudy designer logos, glitter, and rhinestones are not a part of the uniform dress. Basketball, football, hockey, or any sports jerseys are not allowed and are not a part of the school uniform. Pants that have writing on the bottoms (buttocks area) of girls pants are not acceptable.
- Patterns and fades - Tops or bottoms that contain patterns, stripes, glitter, rhinestone, faded style are not appropriate.
- Halter tops and tube tops
- Open toe shoes, sandals, heels, slippers, and mules
- Skull/ Wave Caps
- **Baggy or sagging pants and oversized t-shirts - Parents will receive a phone call immediately!!!**



## FREE DRESS DAYS

Free dress days are scheduled on the last Friday of each month and during the last week of school. Students are expected to dress appropriately and wear appropriate attire.



- Saggy/ Baggy Jeans and oversized t-shirts
- Flip Flops, sandals, or slippers
- Clothing depicting drug, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, violence, racial/ ethnic slurs, etc.
- See-through, halter, half or strapless tops
- Beach or summer clothing such as short shorts, tiny mini skirts, or tank tops
- Pajamas pants or tops

**SEE YOU AUGUST 31st!!**

# Family Involvement & Staff Contact

## Anna Yates Builds Character!

We will continue to help students develop positive problem solving skills through classroom community circles and **Second Step**. Please see below for ways school and home can work together to enhance students skills in this area.

### **Family Participation with Second Step and Character Development:**

- Talk with your child frequently about positive problem solving
- Complete **Second Step** At-Home activities with your child
- Talk with your child's teacher
- Discourage fighting as a means to solving problems
- Listen to dilemmas your child may have and help problem solve where needed

## College-Going School

We are excited to announce that as a school community we are focused on making this year and the years to come a strong college preparedness school for our students and families. We are committed to ensuring our students have the skills necessary to be successful in their academic endeavors and be prepared to thrive in a four year college. Anna Yates teachers will continue to provide a learning environment where engaging lessons and a rigorous curriculum is taught. Students will continue to be challenged in all academic areas. More information to come!

## Parent/Family Involvement

There are several avenues for parents/families to participate at Anna Yates Elementary School. Volunteering in classrooms, donating supplies, and yard supervision, are a few examples. Please contact Marcia Parham, Parent-Teacher Organization President [annayatespto@yahoo.com](mailto:annayatespto@yahoo.com) or Dave Martinez, Dad's Club participant [annayatesdadsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:annayatesdadsclub@yahoo.com) to learn more about parent/family involvement. You are greatly needed!

## Anna Yates Teachers and Staff

### **K-1 Loop Team**

Audrey Miles  
Evan Pippen  
Jessica Long  
Malcolm Waugh  
Mariena Kouch  
Megan McLaughlin

### **2-3 Loop Team**

Camille Pires  
Emily Creed  
Laura Turner  
Rebecca Edwards  
Richard Pugh  
Tracy Lewis

### **4-5 Loop Team**

Leslie Thornley  
Holly Coombs  
Tauheedah Wren

Tiffany Johnson

### **6th Grade Team**

Anthony Rodgers  
Tarsha Jordan

### **Support Staff**

Adam Barreto-Custodian  
Baljit Plaha-Instructional Aide  
Betty Reams-Food Services  
Estelle Harvey-Food Services  
Jessica Odon-Admin. Assistant  
Mary Mc Gruder-Admin. Assistant  
Michelle Smith-SDC Assistant  
Miriam Ogden-Cafeteria Supervisor  
Pamela Helsel-Yard Supervision  
Sukinder Saini -Instructional Aide

## Specialists and Coaches

Alura MccGuillirary-Speech Pathologist-  
Carol Balfe-Science Resource Teacher  
Charise Calone-Literacy Coach  
Elizabeth Conlon-RSP  
Illona Rhodes-Special Day Teacher  
Ingrid Eliasson-Librarian  
Kimberley Miller-English Language Development/Reading Intervention  
Leslie Thornley-Math Coach  
Roland Brown-Music Teacher  
Sharon Wasserman-Art Instructor

Please contact the main office or email a staff member to schedule meeting times.

## Staff Email

[firstname.lastname@emeryusd.k12.ca.us](mailto:firstname.lastname@emeryusd.k12.ca.us)