

Flora CUSD #35 Newsletter

Children are our most precious possession.

May 2016

In Good Hands

When talking recently to one of my old classmates from high school, I was reminded of one of my favorite teachers. This teacher had a passion for teaching, seeing students succeed, and always made learning fun. He was a big reason I decided to become a teacher and had a huge impact on how I taught my classes. Hopefully, we can all think of a teacher from our past that inspired us to try harder and achieve more than we thought we could. The following poem by Maanasa Bhaskar sums up the difference that a gifted and caring teacher can make in his or her students' lives.

**In the hands of a gifted teacher
a classroom is a magical place
In the hands of a gifted teacher
There's a smile on each child's face
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
Creative Energy is Everywhere
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
There's a Catalyst who Genuinely Cares
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
Desire and Wonder is Awakened
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
The Educational Agenda is Shaken
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
Self-Management Skills are Modeled
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
The Best of Reality is Bottled
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
Gifts and Talents are Refined
In the Hands of a Gifted Teacher
The Willed Future is Designed**

As we celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week May 2nd through May 6th, I encourage you to thank our teachers for all of their hard work and dedication. While we set aside a week to honor our teachers, I hope that we show our appreciation each and every day.

Important Upcoming Dates:

May 3rd-Teacher Appreciation Day

May 7th-FHS Prom

May 10th-District Wide Spring Band Concert-Grades 4-12-FHS-7:30 p.m.

May 15th-High School Graduation-2:00 p.m.

May 16th-Board of Education Meeting-Unit Office-5:30 p.m.

May 25th-Last Official Day of School year-12:30 p.m. dismissal