



Mustang Minute 3/17/23



Happy Friday Morse Families!

It was great to see so many families in person and online for parent teacher conferences last night. As we head into our last week of March is Reading Month, I am excited for what we've accomplished and what lies ahead. When we return from break, please continue to monitor your email and communications from your child's teacher as the school year really picks up pace in April and May. There will be numerous events and opportunities to connect as a community after break. From PTO restaurant nights, to Kindergarten Round Up and other school celebrations.

We had the opportunity to host Troy School Board President, Karl Schmidt in Ms. Versteegden's fifth grade classroom today as he was collecting valuable student feedback regarding the district's work on the Portrait of a Graduate. The board wants to get student feedback to ensure we are providing the following:

The leaders of the Troy School District—the Board of Education, the Superintendent, and his Cabinet—are building what some people call a “portrait of a graduate” to help guide our actions here in Troy. We already have what is called a strategic plan—that is a challenge to ourselves to focus on delivering to all of you on some important stuff:

- We want you to learn how to collaborate*
- We want you to dig in when you're learning about something so you really understand it and can apply it*
- We want to make sure you get to experience or practice things you're learning in situations from the real world*
- We want to make sure everyone knows how important it is to treat each other with respect and to be curious about people who may be different than you*
- We want you to be well, both physically and mentally*

Most of our plan focuses on what the adults need to do to make all this happen. Portrait of a Graduate is something that helps us understand what a Troy kid will be like by the time they leave us and go out into the world.

No Cook and a Book

Please remember that we have our **No Cook and a Book** drive through event on Tuesday 3/21 in our parent loop from 5-6pm. This event involved pre-registration. If you pre-registered, please plan on driving through our parent loop anytime between 5 and 6pm for your pizza and a book to read as a family.

iPad System Update

Our student iPads are scheduled to be updated on Monday 3/20 here at Morse. Another reminder went out today and I have one more scheduled on Sunday. Please take the time to back up the iPad so you don't risk losing any of your child's work (or levels in Minecraft!).

Upcoming Important Events

- 3/21 No Cook and a Book event 5-6pm in our parent loop (drive thru style)

- 3/24 Friday - No School
- 3/27-3/31 – No School - Spring Break

As always, if you have any questions regarding the school or your child, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or your child's teacher.

Your Proud Principal,



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