



Meadow Brook

Elementary School

THE PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE: FOR FUN

Dear Meadow Brook Partners,

I was on an abundance walk in kindergarten the other day. An abundance walk is where I spend some time in a classroom looking for what I see in abundance.

I focus on four categories: classroom environment, partnerships, leveraging digital, and pedagogical practices. I take notes and offer feedback. It's a collaborative exercise that helps me stay connected with teachers, staff and students. It's all about sharing leadership and celebrating learning.

That day I walked into the classroom during writer's workshop. The five year-olds were working independently and in small groups. They were finding words around the room, exploring letters, and being writers.

I asked one of kids what he was doing. He described what he was doing with enthusiasm.

I asked him if it was choice time, writer's workshop, or something else. He asked me what I meant. I said, "Why are you finding word and exploring letters.

He answered, "For fun!"

And there you have it. Kids learn best when they're having fun. At home and at school, parents, caregivers and educators serve kids well when we structure learning experiences in ways that are fun.

I am extremely appreciative for how well Meadow Brook teachers and support staff make this happen at school!

As you think about your kid's learning journey and what part you can play in it, it's helpful to think about where the fun is and how you can make provide more.

SAVE THE DATE

Monday, October 2nd: Fire Drill (1:30 pm)

Tuesday, October 3rd: No Additional Events or Programs

Wednesday, October 4th: Dinosaur Hill Field Trip (Cravens, 10:50 am - 12:05 pm)

Wednesday, October 4th: PTA General Meeting (Media Center, 6 - 9 pm)

Thursday, October 5th: Battle of the Books Meeting (5th Grade, 11 - 11:30 am)

Friday, October 6th: No School for Student (Staff Professional Learning and Collaboration)

Thank you for your patience and your partnership...in it together for the kids!

Seth