Mustang Messenger

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Upcoming Events

- Oct. 22-Basketball vs. Patton
  "A" Teams–ONLY at HOME
- Oct. 23– Basketball vs. Warren
  7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade: Away
- Oct. 25-Basketball vs. Clark
  7th Grade: Away; 8th Grade: Home

Enter to Learn
Go Forth to Serve

Mill Creek Middle School
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Lenexa, KS 66227

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913-667-3512

Attendance Line
913-422-9698

Website
www.usd232.org



Fighting Influenza starts with 2 simple steps:

1. **Vaccinate**
The FLU shot is recommended for anyone 6 months of age and older.

2. **Prevention with healthy habits:**
Handwashing and *staying home when ill*, as well as adequate sleep, exercise, healthy diet, and drinking plenty of water.

To help control the spread of illness in our school, USD 232 will be following the exclusion recommendations from Johnson County Health Department and Kansas Department of Health and Environment, which means:

Students and staff diagnosed with Influenza will be excluded from school for 7 days following the on-set of symptoms.

To see our district's exclusion policy, https://www.usd232.org/Page/3196, which will also lead you to Johnson County's Health and Environment's recommendations.

Bulletin Board

Report Cards: Report cards for Quarter 1 have been posted to family access. You will be able to find them under the "Documents" tab. Once you are in the "Documents" tab, click on "MCMS Quarter 1 Report Card." If you have any questions, or find any discrepancies, please contact our office.





8th grade parents – In honor of Red Ribbon Week the Lenexa PD K9 unit will be giving a presentation to the 8th grade students on Friday October 26th. Officer Ryan Sumner with the Lenexa PD will be here to share information on the K9 unit. It will consist of talking about where they get their dogs, how they train them, where they stay, and how they assist law enforcement in combating drug use. During this, he will do a demonstration on how his K9 partner searches for narcotics. He will also bring another officer who will get in a bite suit and they will do a demonstration on how his K9 partner can apprehend a suspect. Students have been given a permission slip in their math classes to attend this presentation. We ask that students have a guardian sign this form and it be returned to their math teachers by Monday Oct. 22nd in order for them to attend the presentation. That permission slip will also be attached to this newsletter. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Annie Hessenflow a ahessenflow@usd232.org.

Unified School District 232

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child will have the opportunity to participate with his/her class in a Guest Speaker experience. This opportunity has been approved by the school principal and is considered a learning experience pertaining to a present unit of study or culminating activity.

Name of Class: Guidance Curriculum

Unit of Study: Drug Abuse Prevention, Red Ribbon Week

Supervising Teacher: Annie Hessenflow, Beth Fisher, and Officer Brad Martens

Name of Presentation: Lenexa PD K9 Presentation

Name of Guest Speaker: Officer Ryan Sumner with the Lenexa PD will be here to share information on the K9 unit. It will consist of talking about where they get their dogs, how they train them, where they stay, and how they assist law enforcement in combating drug use. During this, he will do a demonstration on how his K9 partner searches for narcotics. He will also bring another officer who will get in a bite suit and they will do a demonstration on how his K9 partner can apprehend a suspect. This presentation will take place on Friday, October 26.

Your signature below will indicate your willingness for your child to participate. If for some reason you do not wish for your child to participate, please notify the classroom teacher and an alternate assignment will be provided.

☐Yes, I give my child, _____, permission to participate in the presentation given by the Guest Speaker.

☐No, my child will not participate in the presentation given by the Guest Speaker and will complete an alternate assignment in a separate location.

_____ _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (Date)

PLEASE RETURN TO YOUR MATH TEACHER BY Monday, October 22.

Veterans Day Assembly 2018

Dear Mill Creek Families,

We would like to welcome you to participate in our annual Veterans Day assembly on Friday, November 9th, starting at 8:30 am. This is a special reception and ceremony where we acknowledge the service of our Veterans. The schedule will be as follows:

8:30 – 9:00 Reception
9:00 – 10:00 Assembly
10:00 – 10:30 Veterans are invited to visit classrooms and participate in Q & A sessions

We would like to invite family and friends who are currently or have served in any branch of the military. We request that you RSVP by Monday, November 5th at the following link: https://goo.gl/forms/7kt4pDiqQ9vpgLd23 Space is limited so please don't delay!

In addition, a slide show is being prepared for all Veterans – whether you can attend or not. Please send a picture with the following information: Name of the Veteran, Family member or student's full name and relation to the Veteran, Military Rank, Job in the Military, and how long they served. Pictures can be sent to Denise Legore Seawood at dlegoreseawood@usd232.org. Please send pictures and information by November 5th as well.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Looking forward to another spectacular celebration and Happy Veterans Day!



Denise Legore Seawood
Associate Principal
Mill Creek Middle School

Mill Creek Middle School students and staff
cordially invite you to attend an assembly in observance of

Veterans Day

Friday, November 9th

8:30 – 9:00 Refreshments served in the commons

9:00 – 10:00 Assembly to honor all Veterans

10:00 – 10:30 Veterans are invited to participate in Q & A sessions with classroom groups

RSVP by November 5th to:

MCMS
8001 Mize Road
Lenexa, Kansas 66227
OR
Email Denise Legore Seawood
dlegoreseawood@usd232.org
OR
Fill out the form found at
https://goo.gl/forms/cJHXVCt3dngROm4Q2



Name: _____

Relation to anyone at MCMS: _____

Branch: _____ **Rank:** _____ **Years of Service:** _____

Total Number of people attending the assembly: _____ **Would you like to participate in a Q & A following the program?** _____

Email or Contact Info: _____

This week at the Creek

6th Grade Gold TimberRidge Field Trip











This week at the Creek

6th Grade Black TimberRidge Field Trip











From the Nurses Office

When Should My Student Stay Home?

School or Home?

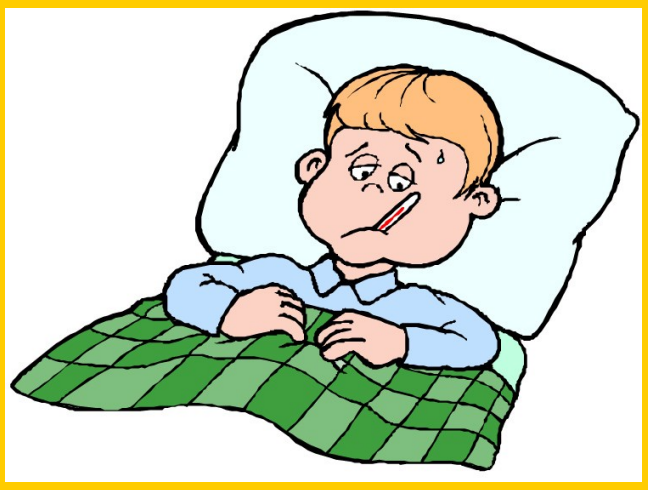
GO TO SCHOOL!

An important part of middle and high school is practicing skills for adulthood, like attending school when you have mild symptoms. Students need to develop the ability to successfully push through minor discomforts. This builds confidence in their ability to conquer hardships and prepares them for future employment with limited sick days.

STAY HOME!

If your child has vomited or had diarrhea in the last 24 hours, please keep them home until they have been free of these symptoms for a FULL 24 hours without the aid of medication. The same goes for fever. If your child's temperature has been 100 degrees or higher, they must be fever free without ibuprofen or Tylenol for a FULL 24 hours. When you send them back too early, you are choosing to expose others and risk prolonging your child's recovery.





LIBRARY LOWDOWN

October2018

Note From Mrs. Roberts

I will start teaching lessons for the Pathways teachers during second quarter. I'm going to show the students some really good resources offered by Johnson County Library. If your student doesn't have a Johnson County Library card, now would be a good time to get one. Besides knowing their library card number, they also need to know their pin to login to the e-learning tools on the website.

Axis 360

Every student in our building has an Axis 360 account. Students can download the app and login with their school computer username and their lunch code is the password. I can help students login if they bring their device to the library. Students can also login with their Johnson County Library card. They have access to even more books than their school account.

Spelling Bee—October 30th

This year we are doing the school spelling bee in the fall. All grade levels are invited to participate. The practice bee will be held on Monday October, 29th. The official spelling bee will be on **Tuesday October, 30th**. Please have your student contact their ELA teacher for more information or see me in the library.

Scholastic Book Orders

My next order is due October 31st. You can order online with my

Upcoming Dates

October 22

- 6th Grade Library Day

October 23

- After Hour 3-4

October 24

- 8th Grade Library Day

October 26

- 7th Grade Library Day

October 29

- Spelling Bee Practice 3-4 p.m.

October 30

- Spelling Bee 3-4:30 p.m.

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Athletics & Activities

Girls Basketball:

October 22 vs. Patton "A" Team ONLY
7th & 8th Grade "A" Teams ONLY at HOME

October 23 vs Warren
7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade: Away

October 25 vs Clark
7th Grade: Away; 8th Grade: Home

October 29 vs Pioneer Ridge
7th Grade: Away; 8th Grade: Home

November 1 vs Piper
7th Grade: Away; 8th Grade: Home



MILL CREEK MUSTANGS

Wrestling:

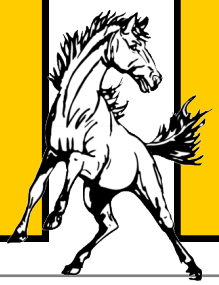
November 3-KVL Match-up at Patton
November 8-Home QUAD
November 12-Home TRI
November 14-Basehor Linwood
November 28-MTMS Double Dual
December 1-Clark Invitational



STUCO:

- Upcoming meetings: October 16, November 20 & December 18 at 7:15
- The fall dance will be held at MCMS on November 2, 6-8 pm. More details to follow.





Cheer Competitions:

November 3-Louisburg
November 10-Blue Valley Southwest



MCMS

Student Council presents

Red Carpet

You're the Star Attraction!

Friday, November 2

6 – 8 pm

Mill Creek Middle School Commons

$3.00 per person

Concessions available, Photo Booth, Prizes, Music & Dancing

Only MCMS Students Allowed

Procedures

Student Sign out Procedure

Students will not be called out of class until the parent or person picking them up comes into the office to sign them out. If a parent is sending another adult or older sibling to pick up a student, the parent must notify the office that this person has permission to pick up the student. Please make sure you are allowing yourself enough time to wait for your student to be called out of class. If they are in PE, lunch or between classes, it could take a few minutes longer. If you are taking your child after morning practice, the office needs to be notified of the absence.

We appreciate your patience in this matter.

Reporting an Absence

A 24-hour voicemail phone line is available to report an absence (including appointments). If you need to speak with someone in person, our office opens at 7:30 a.m. We ask that you call on the day of the absence or before if possible. If you are notifying your child's teacher about an absence, the office needs to be included on this as well. All absences are recorded by the office, not teachers.

Please include the following information: your name, relationship to the student, student's name, date & hours missed and the reason for absence. If the absence is due to illness, please leave your child's symptoms.

Students are expected to attend school and to be present and punctual for all classes each day that school is in session. Regular attendance is basic to the educational process. Students are required to be in attendance each school day from 7:55 a.m. - 3:05 p.m.

Excused Absence

The only acceptable reasons for absence or tardies are: illness, medical/dental appointments, court appearance, family emergencies (funerals, critical illness), religious holidays, and school sponsored events.

ATTENDANCE LINE: (913) 422-9698

Bus Pass:

If you are enrolled as a bus rider and you need to ride home on the bus with another student the office needs the following…

- A note/email from **BOTH** parents involved giving permission along with bus and phone information. Emails sent to stennis@usd232.org and thiggins@usd232.org.
- This option should only be used when other arrangements **can't** be made. **Students should not be changing buses daily or every week.**
- The office needs to have these changes **BY 1:30**. Request after 1:30 will be denied.
- We will do our best to accommodate all requests but some may not be able to be filled.
- Please have your student check in with the office at the end of the day if they have not received their bus pass for the day.
- If your student needs to change a bus for more than one occasion, please contact First Student at (913) 422-8501.
- Bus Drivers are NOT part of the approval process. All communications need to be with the office.

Lunch Information

Parents, grandparents and/or other legal guardians are welcome to join their students for lunch. In addition to specific building procedures, all visitors must respect the following guidelines established to maintain a safe and orderly cafeteria:

- All visitors must check-in at the office and wear a visitor's badge.
- Once in the cafeteria, visitors must check in with one of the lunch room supervisors.
- Staff cannot pre-arrange or guarantee specific students to be seated together.
- At the conclusion of lunch, visitors should check-out in the office.



Lunch Menu for the Week of

October 22-26

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mozzarella Cheese Sticks	Hot Italian Sub	Beefy Street Tacos	Corn Dog	Orange Popcorn Chicken
w/Marinara Sauce	Caesar Salad	Black Beans	Baked Tater Tots	Brown Rice
Parmesan Broccoli	Steamed Peas	Steamed Corn	Vegetable Medley	Broccoli w/Cheese
Green Beans	Garden Bar	Garden Bar	Garden Bar	Roasted Carrots
Garden Salad				Garden Bar
Milk/Juice Selection	Milk/Juice Selection	Milk/Juice Selection	Milk/Juice Selection	Milk/Juice Selection

