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Upcoming Events

- Jan. 19-Boys basketball "A" Team tournament at Shawnee Heights
- Jan. 21-NO School Building closed
- Jan. 22-Boys basketball vs. Turner 7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade; Away
- Jan. 23-Boys basketball "A" Team tournament at Shawnee Heights
- Jan. 24-Boys Basketball vs MTMS 7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade: Away
- Jan. 25-School Assembly at 2:15
- Jan. 25-Dodgeball Tournament

Enter to Learn
Go Forth to Serve

Mill Creek Middle School
8001 Mize Blvd
Lenexa, KS 66227
Main Number
913-667-3512
Attendance Line
913-422-9698
Website
www.usd232.org

Attention 8th grade parents: You should've received an email from Mrs. Fisher regarding upcoming high school enrollment activities. Please take some time to review that email or click on the link here to retrieve the information. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Fisher at efisher@usd232.org.

Restroom/Water breaks

Parents, you may have heard that Mill Creek is working on reducing the number of tardies as well as being more cautious about allowing students to leave class. This allows us to maximize teaching time and keep our students safe and accounted for. Students with medical needs that require free access to the restroom or the drinking fountain will continue to be allowed to follow their medical plan. Please reassure your student that staff are committed to meeting their needs.

Anxiety Small Group

This semester I would like to start a small group for students that struggle with anxiety. This group would be made up of 6-8 students and would meet once or twice a week for 6 sessions. During this time we would discuss anxiety in general and ways to combat anxiety. If this is something you think your student would benefit from please encourage them to use the QR code on the attached page to sign up. If you have any questions about the group please feel free to email or call me (Annie Hessenflow) at ahessenflow@usd232.org.

Anxiety Small Group for Students

- Do you have frequent or excessive worry about school, friends, following rules, or about getting the approval of teachers and parents?

- Do you have physical problems such as headaches, stomachaches, or tiredness with no physical cause?

- Do you have problems sleeping like having a hard time falling asleep, waking up throughout the night or waking up early?

- If you answered yes to one or all of these you may be suffering from anxiety. If you would like to learn more about anxiety in general and how to best deal with your anxiety this small group may be for you. Scan the QR code below to sign up or to get more information. You may also ask Mrs. Hessenflow for more information ahessenflow@usd232.org .

All responses will be confidential.

The group will start after winter break.

Bulletin Board

News from the Vocal Music Department:

Students new to choirs may order shirts that are part of our performance uniform. They are due by January 25. The order form is attached.

SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK LIVE JR rehearsals are underway for performances on March 1-2. The musical information can be found on the musical website.

https://www.usd232.org/domain/3667

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email Ms. Pederson, cpederson@usd232.org

The MCMS Annual DODGEBALL Event is in TWO WEEKS

Friday January 25th 6pm – 9pm

Come out and support your school with this FUN Fundraiser and enjoy an exciting evening of Dodgeball with family and friends. To ensure this event is a success we will need parent volunteers to help. Please check out the Sign-up Genius below and help where you can. See you January 25th!

Dodgeball Volunteers

Paraprofessional Substitutes needed!

USD 232 is in need of paraprofessional substitutes who are flexible and willing to substitute throughout the district on an as needed basis. Stay-at-home parents make great substitute paraprofessionals! The ideal candidate is caring, compassionate and dedicated to the students' success by looking for ways to support the teacher and making a positive difference in the lives of our children.

If you are interested in becoming a substitute paraprofessional for the district, please speak with your Principal or contact HR at the USD 232 District Office.

MCMS CHOIR shirt order form

Student: _____ Choir Class: _____

Email: _____

Any Questions contact Tori Murray - torikc@msn.com or 813.522.5558



Mrs. Pederson has
sample shirts for sizing -
for both
Students and Parent shirts

STUDENT SHIRT : BLACK ANVIL Lightweight t-shirt - 4.5 oz preshrunk 100% combed ringpun cotton

YM ____ YL ____ AS ____ AM ____ AL ____ AXL ____ $12.00 each _____

PARENT SHIRT : BLACK Next Level TRIBLEND shirt - 4.2 oz 50/25/25 polyester/combed ringspun cotton/ rayon, 32 singles = super soft

ADULT Crew Neck AS ____ AM ____ AL ____ AXL ____ $15.00 each _____

2XL _____ 3XL _____ $17.50 each _____

LADIES Crew Neck AS ____ AM ____ AL ____ AXL ____ $15.00 each _____

2XL _____ $17.50 each _____

ADULT V-NECK AS ____ AM ____ AL ____ AXL ____ $15.00 each _____

2XL _____ 3XL _____ $17.50 each _____

All Sales are FINAL.
No exchanges or refunds.

Make Checks Payable to:
ELITE IMPRESSIONS

Grand Total : _____

ORDERS DUE FRI. JAN. 25TH

Mill Creek Middle School DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

Friday, January 25, 2019

6 - 9 pm, Mill Creek Gymnasium

Register by January 18th to play!

$10 per player

*Teams of 10 – 12 students + **1 parent coach***

No team? Come out and watch your friends and teachers play!

- Admission: $3 Adult & $1 Child
- DJ
- Food & Drink available for purchase

Proceeds benefit MCMS PTA

Packets returned to Mrs. Legore Seawood. First 14 teams with completed packets accepted!



5 D's of Dodgeball: Dodge, Duck, Dip, Dive, and.....DODGE!



Penny Wars!!

January 28 – February 1

POSITIVE POINTS	NEGATIVE POINTS
Pennies, dollars	Silver Coins

Put pennies and dollars in YOUR team bucket for positive points.

Put silver coins in OTHER team buckets for negative points.

Team Competition – Winning team gets DONUTS.

Drop your money in the buckets before school or in the library during school.

If you donate, your name will be put in a raffle for great prizes!!

Sponsored by Student Council, benefitting

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BEATING CANCER IS IN OUR BLOOD.

Athletics & Activities

Boys Basketball:

January 19 "A" Team Tournament

At Seaman/Shawnee Heights

January 22 vs. Turner

7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade: Away

January 24 vs. Monticello Trails

7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade: Away

January 29 vs. Tonganoxie
7th Grade: Away; 8th Grade: Home

January 31 vs. Lexington Trails
7th Grade: Home; 8th Grade: Away

February 2: "B" Team Tournament
7th Grade: LTMS; 8th Grade: Home



MILL CREEK MUSTANGS

Science Olympiad Tournaments:

DeSoto Invitational January 19

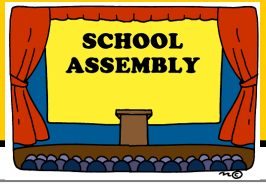
Northeast Kansas Regional Tournament February 23

Kansas State Tournament April 6

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD™

Exploring the World of Science

Recognition Assembly: On Friday, January 25, there will be a recognition assembly during the final period of the day. If you are planning on signing out your child after 2:15, please expect delays in locating your child. To avoid delays, it is recommended to pick up your child before 2:15. Students will be in the assembly until dismissal time at 3:05. We appreciate your patience and assistance.



Valentine Grams

All Proceeds Benefit MCMS STUCO!

Suckers will be delivered to students Tuesday, February 12th during MELT.



$1.00

Quantities Limited!!!
Be sure to get yours today!

Questions? Contact Jill Church jchurch@usd232.org or Katie Taylor ktaylor@usd232.org

Student Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Quantity: _____

Payment must be sent with order. Last day for orders is February 8th.

Please return to Student Services, Jill Church (Room 203) or Katie Taylor (Room 106).

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

January 21-25

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NO School	Pizza Palooza! Caesar Salad Peas & Carrots Garden Bar Milk/Juice Selection	Macaroni & Chees Soft Pretzel Bites Green Beans Veggie Medley Garden Bar Milk/Juice Selection	General Tso's Chicken Brown Rice Edamame Broccoli w/cheese Garden Bar Milk/Juice Selection	Manager's Choice Garden Bar Milk/Juice Selection

