September 2, 2022

Mill Creek Newsletter

Home Of The Mustangs!
Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve

Important Links

- Mill Creek Website
- Follow us on Twitter - @TheCreekMCMS
- Need to Report an Absence? Click HERE
- Black and Gold Calendar
- Contact Us

Reminders

• Doors Open at 7:35 am.
School Hours - 7:55 to 3:05 pm.
• Cell phones & backpacks are kept in lockers.
• If you need to get a message to your child, please call the office 913.667.3512



Upcoming Events

Sept 5 - No School
Sept 21 - 2 hour late start 9:55 am
Sept 22 - Picture Day
Sept 28 - Early Dismissal 11:12 am
Parent Teacher Conferences
Sept 29 - Parent Teacher Conferences
Sept 30 - No School. Building Closed.

Message from Mr. Legler



MCMS Family,
Yesterday (9/1/22) MCMS practiced a full scenario “Intruder Drill” with great success. Together in conjunction with the Lenexa PD and Lenexa FD, we conducted a lockdown drill to practice and assess readiness for a medical emergency, high risk activity in the surrounding area, or active shooter situation. In only a matter of minutes our entire building of over 700 students and staff were securely locked down with lights out and doors locked & barricaded.

As part of our staff training prior to school beginning this year, we reviewed DeSoto 232 ALICE protocols which include: Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate, which allow a variety of response options, including lockdown, during unsafe situations. In addition to ALICE, MCMS utilizes many DeSoto 232 resources to help keep our school safe. This multi-layered and comprehensive approach to safety is top priority. Some of the various systems include: Crisis Management training, School Resource Officers (SRO), Access Control Systems with security cameras and systems, building radios, regular collaboration & planning with local law enforcement and more.

Student and staff safety is a #1 priority for DeSoto 232. The district is constantly reviewing its policies and procedures to make sure we are meeting the needs of our students and staff to ensure a safe and secure learning environment. Our district published a podcast in May regarding school safety and security. That episode can be found on the website at: https://www.usd232.org/domain/4442

Have a wonderful Labor Day weekend!
-Andrew Legler

Athletics/Activities

Athletic Competitions next week:

Tues: VB Thurs: VB Sat: VB and XC

GO MUSTANGS!

The first STUCO meeting is Sept 13 at 7:20 am in the 7th grade POD.

STUCO is looking for a DJ for our dances. Please reach out to Jill Church or Katie Taylor.

Interested in KAY Club? First meeting will be Sept 9th during ELT in room 310.



Join us in June 2024 - we are going to BOSTON! Click HERE for more info!

For More Information

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Questions About MCMS?

Our website has a wealth of information on how we do business at The Creek! Stay current on events, reach teachers, etc. There is even a FAQ section on the home page! Click HERE for more info!

Be sure to check out the MCMS Website for VB Youth Night @ MVHS and a Chipotle Night for DHS!

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Counselor's Corner

National Suicide Prevention Week is Sept 4 - Sept 10. According to National Institute of Mental Health, in 2020 suicide was the second leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 10-14. This summer, the new national suicide and crisis lifeline was launched. Call or text 988 to be connected with confidential support for anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. This can be accessed via call or text 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Below are a few resources to help inform parents about current statistics as well as how to talk to your children about suicide.

https://stopasuicide.org/

https://suicideprevention.jocogov.org/prevention-resources

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The MCMS Connections Special Education classroom is currently accepting applications for our Peers in Learning program. If your student would like to be a peer in the Connections classroom, please pick up an application in the office. Applications will be due to Mrs. Phillips by Friday, September 16th.

Please remember when you arrive to pick up your student for an appointment that they will need a few minutes to get to their locker before coming out to your car. Please allow for a few extra minutes in your planning.

Highlighting our Amazing New Staff

*Each week we will spotlight staff new to MCMS

Welcome
Ms. Katy Thompson

7th/8th Grade Resource Teacher

This is Ms. Thompson's 19th year in education. She is excited about coming back home to USD 232!



Welcome
Ms. Tiffani Thompson

Vocal Music Teacher

This is Ms. Thompson's 12th year in education. She is excited about the energy and new adventures that The Creek will bring!



Welcome
Miss. Kylie Corneliusen

Physical Education Teacher

This is Miss. Corneliusen's 3rd year in education. She is excited about getting to know the kids and being able to work with middle school students!



Welcome
Ms. Lynne Oyler

World Languages Teacher

This is Ms. Oyler's 10th year working with students. She is excited to meet the MCMS students and introduce them to several different languages!

