March 10, 2023

Mill Creek Newsletter

Home Of The Mustangs!

Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve

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

Important Links

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

Upcoming Events

March 20 - No School/Teacher PD

March 21 - Start of 4th Quarter

STUCO Mtg 7:20 am

March 24 - PUBS Interest Informational Mtg

KAY Club mtg

Mar 27/28 - ELA State Assessments

Summer Camp Opportunities are starting to roll in. Below is the calendar for camps at MCMS. Be sure to check the WEBSITE for camps at MCMS, DHS and MVHS. Check back often!



Spring Break 2023!



Mill Creek Family,

Here we are at the end of 3rd Qtr. and Spring Break is upon us! I hope you all enjoy some much deserved time with family & friends, whether you're traveling or just enjoying some quiet R&R. I hope you all have a wonderful Spring Break!

We'll see you again on Tuesday, March 21st when school resumes.

Go Mustangs!
-Mr. Legler

Athletics/Activities

Physicals need to be submitted for anyone participating in Track. Track starts March 21st. Click here for the practice schedule.

GO MUSTANGS!

Reminder to all students that your laptops are a SCHOOL Device. Damage to them or school keyboards, etc are a violation of the Acceptable Use Policy and could result in a loss of the laptop privilege. Please treat your devices with respect.



If you need to pick up your child for an appointment, please be sure to plan ahead and arrive 5-10 minutes early. Lockers take extra time!

More Information

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From The Library:

The fourth quarter book club meeting will be Thursday, May 11th from 3-4 p.m. We will discuss the book *Roll With It* by Jamie Sumner.

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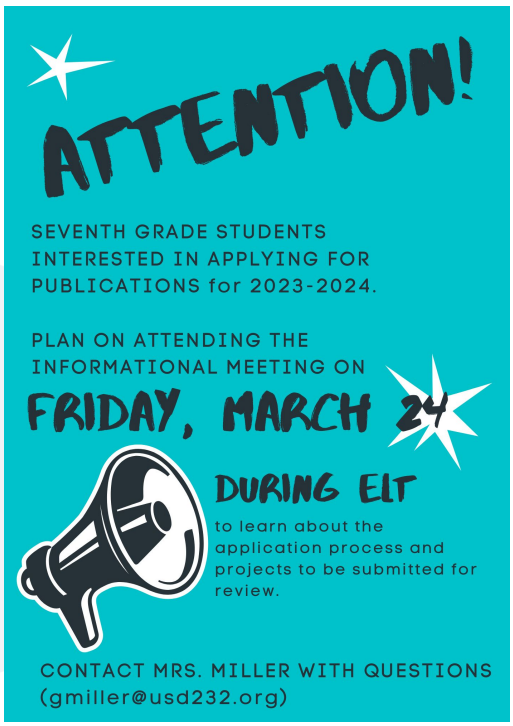
Mark Your Calendars Now For Important State Assessment Dates!

We are entering the time of year where students take the Kansas State Assessments. Please review the dates below and mark your calendar. It is important that students are in attendance on these days to avoid missing instructional time to make up assessments.

- ELA Assessment: Grades 6-8: March 27-28
- Math Assessment: Grades 6-8: April 10-11
- Science Assessment (Grade 8): April 19-20



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Job Opportunities

USD 232 is looking for interested persons to apply for bus driver positions within the DeSoto school district. Job includes building trusted relationships with students, lots of smiles and laughter, and starting pay of $20.50/hr. For more information, please visit the district website at: https://www.usd232.org/Page/4947. Thank you!



We have lots of Student Nutrition openings at MCMS and in the district. Part time hours and a school calendar - please visit the district webpage for more information.



First-Year Teacher Horizon Award

Lisa D'Andrea
Lynne Oyler
Kayla South

It is the time of year to honor and recognize exemplary first-year teachers who perform in a way that distinguishes them as outstanding. These teachers will finish their first year of teaching in May, 2023.

This fall the Kansas State Department of Education will allow the De Soto School District to nominate one Elementary and one Secondary teacher for the **Horizon Award**. The **Horizon Award** honors and recognizes exemplary teachers who will **complete their first year this May.** These spectacular teachers perform in a way that distinguishes them as outstanding. All of our 2022-2023 teachers who were new last August to the profession are eligible for this honor! Below you will find the guidelines for nominating a teacher:

Novice teachers who will have successfully completed their first year of teaching are eligible to be recognized. A teacher (Pre-K through grade 12) who successfully completes his/her first year of teaching by May 2023 is eligible. The **Kansas Horizon Award Program** is a regional competition. The regions correspond to the state's four U.S. congressional districts.

The Kansas State Department of Education will appoint regional selection committees responsible for reviewing the nomination forms and selecting four elementary classroom teachers and four secondary classroom teachers per region for a total of 32 teachers.

- **The criteria for this award are:**
  - Nominee will have successfully completed his or her first year of teaching in a pre-kindergarten through grade 12 Kansas school accredited by the State Board of Education.
  - Nominee will be a full-time classroom teacher.
  - Nominee will be responsible for the assessment of students, assignment of grades, preparation of lesson plans, parent-teacher conferences, discipline, attendance, and other daily educational tasks.
  - Nominee will have performed in a way that distinguishes him or her from other novice teachers. Nominee is considered to be exceptionally skilled, dedicated and able to inspire students of all backgrounds and abilities.

Anyone can nominate an outstanding teacher who will complete their first year this year: administrators, teachers, and/or parents. (A first year teacher is considered a teacher new to the profession). If you would like to nominate a first year teacher go to **www.usd232.org/horizonaward** and follow the **Horizon Award** nomination link. **The deadline for nominating a first year teacher is noon on March 31, 2023.**