

Moody Elementary January Announcements





HAPPY NEW YEAR

-2025



January 7th- Students Return

January 7th- 3rd 9 Week Grading Period Begins

January 7th- Field Day T-Shirt Sale (January 7th-March 7th) (Order Forms will be sent home.)



January 9th- Report Cards GP2 Go Home

January 16th- Nacho Sale (Order Forms will be sent home.)

> January 20th- School Closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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December 23-January 6 Christmas Break January 7- Students Return January 16 - Nacho Sale January 20- MLK No School

Moody Elementary School PTO Save the Date Calendar 2024-2025 School Year



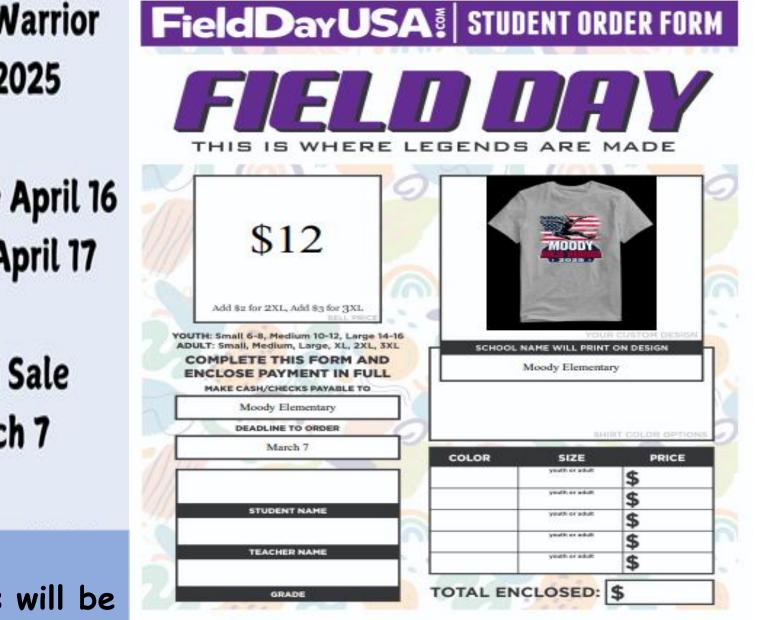
YEARBOOKS ARE NOW ON SALE

BE SURE AND BUY YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY BEFORE THEY ARE SOLD OUT.

Yearbooks are on sale for \$35.00 until March 1st. After March 1st they will go up to \$45.00. To Purchase: You <u>can</u> scan the QR code below, and it will take you directly to their website...

> Go to Balfour.com click yearbook then click Buy your yearbook. Type Moody Elementary and your child's name and information then click BUY Now





Moody Ninja Warrior * Field Day 2025

2nd/3rd grade April 16 K/1st grade April 17

> T-shirts on Sale until March 7 \$12

Order Forms will be sent home.

REPORT GROS

THURSDAY. JANUARY 9TH (WILL BE SENT HOME) ~



NO SCHOOL in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day

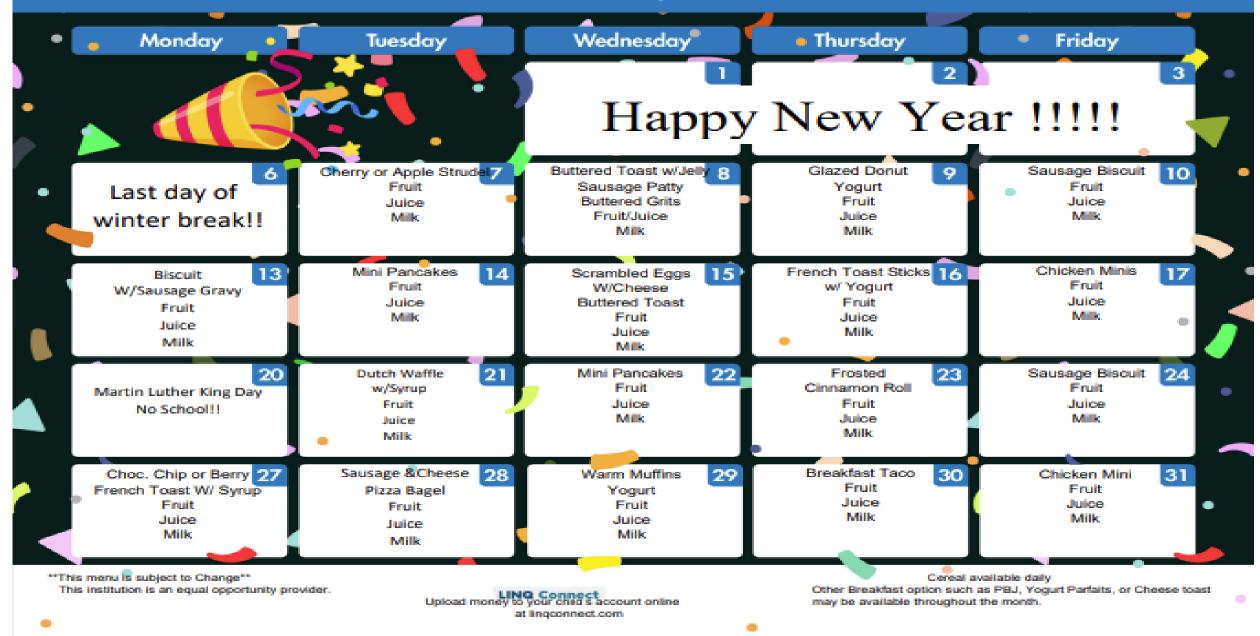
MONDAY, JANUARY 20TH

BREAKFAST

JANUARY 2025

St. Clair County Schools

Breakfast and Lunch Served at NO COST to ALL Students



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JANUARY 2025 St. Clair County Schools

Breakfast and Lunch Served Free at no cost Students must select 3 components to complete their meal



""Menu Subject to Change""

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. Upload money to your child's account for "extra" items such as ice cream, drinks, extra portions, and snacks. Visit lingconnect.com. Other entrée items may be available daily including PBJ & Delli Sandwiches.

LING Connect

STOCK THE FRIDGE

IF YOU KNOW A BUINESS THAT WOUD BE INTERESTED IN DONATNG DRINKS AND/OR SNACKS FOR THE STAFF REFRIGERATOR, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION WILL BE RECOGNIZED ON MES FB AND BUISNESS NAME DISPLAYED AS A SPONSER ON THE FRIDGE'S EXTERIOR.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: MAGGIE.WALKER@SCCBOE.ORG







For the 2024-2025 school year, all students in St. **Clair County get 1** free breakfast and 1 free lunch. Meal applications are not required. > We encourage all students to get a breakfast and lunch.

Free items do not include a la carte: ice-cream.



MES LUNCH VISITORS



Parents and designated visitors are invited to eat in the MES lunchroom throughout the year.

Visitors must be on the contact list entered by the parent in PowerSchool Registration.

Please note, we ask that a visitor only come MAX once per week, Lunch is an important time for your child to socialize with their peers.



Visitor Breakfast \$3.25

Visitor Lunch \$5.00

Lunch Payment Information

LINQ Connect - Making Schools Stronger

We are using an online meal payment system called LINQ (previously Titan). Click the link <u>here</u> to login or create an account.

Once your account is created, you will be able to:

- Make payments to accounts
- View account balances
- Submit lunch applications
- Instantly transfer money from one child to another

You may add money to your child's account to purchase ice-cream. (optional) <u>Lunch Payment Information - St</u> <u>Clair Co School District</u> (sccboe.org)

LINQ Connect



Moody Elementary Car Line Traffic Map (In the afternoon,. you may begin lining up at the stop sign near the **Splash Pad** at 1:50. Then you may begin to drive up the school driveway/ hill at 2:20. Pre-K line runs from 1:50-2:15.)

Elementary School

First Baptist Church of Mor

Moody Cit ic Center

Doris Stanley Memorial Library

Moody Splash Pac

VIDEO: https://fb.watch/mao0Zvx6V /?mibextid=v7YzmG

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MES Car Line Route:

Please follow the directions shown on the car line traffic map for the school car line route. A video of the route is posted on the Moody Elementary Facebook page and the Moody Police Department page. <u>https://fb.watch/mao0Zvx6V_/?mibextid=v7YzmG</u>

School traffic will be routed off Church Street, behind Moody Civic Center, down Carl Morgan Road, and then up the hill to the school. Carl Morgan residents, we ask that you turn left and exit before reaching the splash pad. (Blue Line) If you are a resident in the Carl Morgan area and are dropping off, merge into the traffic.

We will have signs posted along the route along with officers.

MPD and MES ask that even if it appears school traffic is light, please follow this route everyday!!

****IMPORTANT NOTES****

- 1) Pre-K afternoon pick up is from 1:50-2:15 p.m.
- 2) $K 3^{rd}$ afternoon pick up:

Cars will be allowed to begin lining up at 1:50 p.m. at the stop sign near the splash pad. Do not block in cars that are parked at the Civic Center. Do not block the back parking lot. You may then begin to drive up the school driveway/hill and line up at 2:20 p.m. Traffic that lines up on Carl Morgan Road and Church Street before 2:20 p.m. will be asked to move to the end of the line and not block the roadway.

3) The Church Street entrance off Park Ave is for buses, staff, and special education ONLY. The posted officer will turn you around.

We know that traffic at the beginning of the school year can be chaotic, and we appreciate your patience and understanding. \bigcirc

CAR LINE PROCEDURES & TRANSPORTATION

Please make sure car tags are visible. Due to safety protocols, if you do not have a car tag, you cannot go through the car rider line. Unfortunately, we cannot accept pictures of car tags.

Per Moody Police Department, you may begin lining up at the stop sign near the splash pad at 1:50 p.m.

Do not block entrances, exits, or parked vehicles in the Moody Civic Center parking lot.

Parents are permitted to drive up the school driveway/hill at 2:20 p.m.



CAR LINE PROCEDURES & TRANSPORTATION

Make sure your car is in park when in the loading zone.

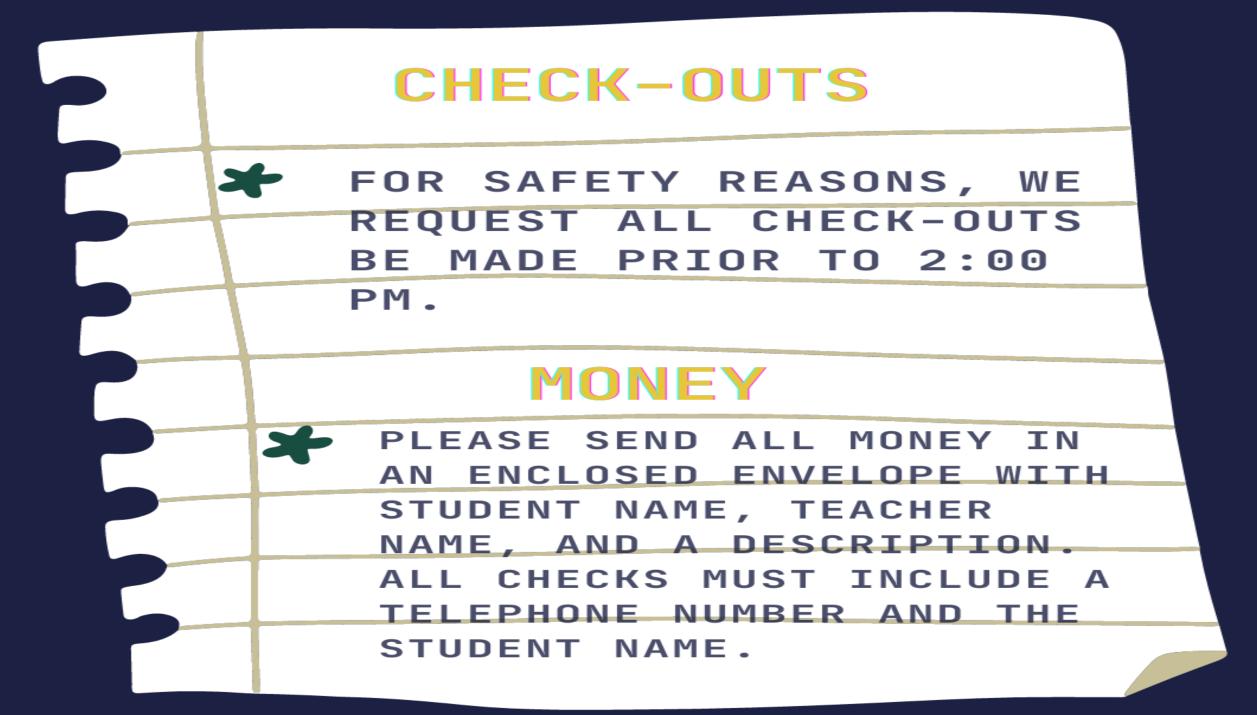
Please do not pull around cones during morning drop off. This is a safety concern for our students and teachers.

Any changes in transportation (car or bus) must be made in writing before 12 p.m.

Any change in transportation (car or bus), daily or weekly, always notify your child's teacher in writing.

Per BOE policy, the parents/guardians of BOTH children must send a note for students to ride home together.







Moody Elementary School Updated Volunteer Policy

The school volunteer process is now a three-step process with the St. Clair County Board of Education. All steps below must be completed at least two weeks prior to the event in which you want to volunteer.

- 1. Online Background Check- Please complete the online background check application using the link available at sccboe.org. Visit the volunteer tab for more information and links.
- 2. Volunteer Agreement Application- Please complete the Volunteer Agreement Application located at sccboe.org on the volunteer tab.
- 3. Email or deliver the Volunteer Agreement Application to mesregistration@sccboe.org.

All three steps must be completed in this order to release the online background check.

Please check the expiration date on your background check. You must reapply every year. This must be completed annually to attend MES field trips.

School Volunteer Process - St Clair Co School District (sccboe.org)

Attendance Policy: <u>Attendance - St Clair Co School District (sccboe.org)</u>

Students are permitted 8 parent excuses per school year.

- > Any absences after the 8 allowed parent excuses will require a medical or legal excuse, or the absence(s) will be recorded as unexcused.
- A written request to excuse an absence must be presented within three (3) days of the absence. Failure to present a written explanation within (3) three days will cause the absence to be unexcused.
- The St. Clair County School System participates in cooperation with the St. Clair County District Attorney and the St. Clair County Juvenile Court in the Early Warning Program for Attendance Intervention and the Early Warning Program for Behavior Intervention to assist families in achieving good school attendance and students in maintaining good conduct.

Ist unexcused absence- Information Letter
 3rd unexcused absence- Reminder Letter/ Conference With Parent
 5th unexcused absence- Referral to Early Warning Court and conference held with Juvenile Probation Officer and St. Clair County Student Services coordinator.
 Location: St. Clair County Courthouse in Ashville
 7th unexcused absence- Referral to Juvenile Court

CREDIT NOT AWARDED FOR EXCESSIVE ABSENCES

Excessive absences from school or from a class may subject a student to <u>retention in the same grade for the succeeding school year</u> or the denial of credit in a course. <u>The state currently defines chronic absenteeism as eighteen (18) or more absences</u>. The denial of credit may result if a student has eighteen (18) or more absences from a class or course lasting an entire academic year or nine (9) or more absences from a semester-length course. Credit may be allowed with permission from the principal or his/her designee (school administrator or Problem-Solving Team).



Help Your Child Succeed in School: **Build the Habit of Good Attendance Early**

DID YOU KNOW?

- Starting in preschool and kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10%, or about 2 days each month over the course of a school year, can make it harder to learn to read.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just one or two days every few weeks.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Absences and tardiness can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help

children catch up.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school-and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Eventually good attendance will be a skill that will help them succeed in high school and college.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Keep your child healthy and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Introduce your children to their teachers and classmates before school starts.
- Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Try to schedule non-urgent related medical appointments and extended trips when school isn't in session.
- · If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- If you are concerned that your child may have a contagious illness, call your school or health care provider for advice.
- If your child must stay home due to illness, ask the teacher for resources and ideas to continue learning at home.

When Do Absences Become a Problem?



9 or fewer absences

Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.

Attendance Matters!

Please note that 18 or more absences (excused or unexcused) deems a student chronically absent and lowers our state report card score.

Elementary_Handout_042924.pdf (attendanceworks.org)

Visit Attendance Works at www.attendanceworks.org for free downloadable resources and tools!

St. Clair County BOE Guidelines for keeping a sick student home. Guidelines for Keeping a Student Home - St Clair Co School District (sccboe.org) Students must be fever free and vomit free for 24 hours to return to school.

School Nurse: Sara Bosworth

sara.bosworth@sccboe.org

Is your Child Sick Enough to Stay Home?

Fever: If your temperature is 100° or higher, then stay home. Don't return to your office or school until 24 hours after your fever has subsided. A fever is one of clearest signs of a contagious illness and showing up at school or work will too easily result in passing on whatever you've got to others. If your child has a temperature of 100.5 or greater, you child will be sent home. This should be without Tylenol. Or other Fever aids.

Cough: If your cough brings up mucus or phlegm-type secretions, then stay home. Especially if it has color. A dry cough is OK for school. Regardless of what kind of cough you have, cover your mouth and keep your hands washed. Remember only cough drops with Pectin can be used at school without a medication form. Any medicated cough drops require a medication form signed by the parent.

Sore throat: If it hurts to swallow, breathe or speak, then stay home, or if your sore throat is accompanied by fever. If your voice is raspy or your throat is only slightly sore, then it's OK to show up at work or school. Cough drops may be helpful. Warm saltwater gargles are the best treatment for sore throats.

Runny nose: If you must constantly blow your nose to keep it clear, then stay home. If it's only slightly stuffy, and you aren't having trouble breathing, then it's probably all right to be at work.

Earache: By itself, an earache won't pose a hazard to others unless you work in a job that requires balance (such as being a bus driver, a pilot or a school crossing guard.) But if an earache is accompanied by other symptoms of contagion, you'll need to stay home.

Vomiting: Stay home, of course. And stay home for an additional 24 hours once you have stopped vomiting.

Diarrhea: Follow the same guidelines as vomiting.

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Rashes: Contagious rashes like pink eye require keeping your distance from others. Some rashes, like MRSA, can even be deadly if you give them to someone else. See your doctor to learn whether your rash requires you stay away from work or school. Your school nurse will send home your child for any undiagnosed rashes. If your child is itching and scratching to the point they cannot concentrate, please stay home.

There are also some contagious conditions that carry special requirements about returning to school, such as strep throat, pink eye, chicken pox, flu, etc. If your student has a condition or illness that you are unsure about with regards to school attendance, please contact the nurse at your school to get information before sending your child back to school. We want to be a partner in promoting the very highest level of wellness for each student in our school environment.

While having a sick child is a hardship for most families, it is important that parents enact the Golden Rule, Do unto others as you would have them do unto you, in that if you wouldn't want your son or daughter playing with a sick child who exhibits certain illnesses, then the same holds true for them as well. Providers and teachers report that families will often drop off a sick student with a fever or who has just recently thrown up because of work arrangements. That creates not only a major health risk to all students but is terribly unfair to the sick child as well. Plus, recovery time is shorter with a sick patient who is given plenty of rest, and some good TLC. Please keep them at home.

Alabama Literacy Act Information for K- 3rd Grade **Parents.**

Alabama Literacy ACT FAQ (alabamaachieves.org)

ALABAMA LITERACY ACT Frequently Asked Questions FOR 8 3 FAMILIES.

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Pathways to Promotion Grade Level Ready Performance Outcomes







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How can families and guardians help?





MOODY ELEMENTARY STATE REPORT CARD





Moody Elementary is a recipient of the National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence chosen by the U.S. Department of Education in 2022. The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program is a United States Department of Education award program that recognizes exemplary public and non-public schools on a yearly basis. Using standards of excellence evidenced by student achievement measures, the Department honors high-performing schools and schools that are making great strides in closing any achievement gaps between students. Nominated schools submit applications describing school operations such as the use of assessments and assessment data, instructional methods, curricula, professional development, leadership, and community and family involvement. The Blue Ribbon award is a prestigious award that exemplifies excellence in education and considered the highest honor an American school can achieve.

The Blue Ribbon award reflects the tremendous effort of the faculty, staff, students, parents, and community of Moody, Alabama!

St. Clair County BOE 2024-2025 School Calendar

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ST. CLAIR COUNTY SCHOOLS

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2025

First Day of Second Semester

MLK Holiday - School Closed

Spring Break - School Closed

President's Day - School Closed

Employee Swap Day 2

Weather Day

Semester Exams

Last Day of School

JAN 6

JAN 7

JAN 20

FEB 17

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MAY 23

MAR 24-28

MAY 19-23

2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Jan 7- Mar 12	45	Feb 6	Mar 18
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	Student Attendance Day
	Holiday - School Closed
	9 Month Employee Extra Work Day

STATE REPORTS	DUE DATES
20 Day Report	Sep 5
20 Day After Labor Day	Sep 30
40 Day Report	Oct 3
60 Day Report	Nov 1
80 Day Report	Dec 9
100 Day Report	Jan 22
120 Day Report	Feb20
140 Day Report	Mar 20
160 Day Report	Apr 25
180 Day Report	May 23

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