

October 7, 2022

# 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

### **Proof of Vaccinations Deadline October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Vaccination compliance deadline is Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The State of Kansas excludes children from school who have not completed their required vaccination, and do not have a medical or religious exemption on file by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of October. Mill Creek Middle school nurses have contacted families directly who are not up to date on vaccination compliance. If your student fails to meet this requirement, then your student will need to stay home with an **unexcused absence** until compliance is met.

Kansas Department of Health and Environment

<https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/324/Immunization-Requirements>



## 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

Oct 18 - Spelling Bee practice after school

Oct 19 - Pink Out Event (details to follow)

Oct 20 - End of 1st Qtr

Spelling Bee after school

Oct 21/24 - No School. Teacher PD Days

Oct 25 - 2nd Qtr starts. First GBB Games

Nov 3 - Picture Retakes

Nov 4 - STUCO Dance 6-8 pm

## Message from Mr. Legler

MCMS Family,

Just like in your homes, here at Mill Creek we value our true face time with students when there are no devices in our hands to distract us and we can see the whites of each other's eyes! Whether we like it or not that technology is here to stay, it is important that we help remind our children of the appropriate uses of our devices, both at home and at school.

Do you check your child's phone and/or devices each night? Do you know what apps they use and who they're chatting with on social media? Do you have filtering software installed on your home computers?

### **Digital Resources for Parents**

Are there battles over screen time and technology in your house? While I am not here (nor paid!) to promote one company over any other, as there are literally thousands of organizations to assist parents, one in particular that I have heard good things about is START. START equips parents and community members to be mentors and guides so kids can grow up happy and healthy in an increasingly digital world. START offers a variety of resources for families and organizations—all designed to help you maximize the benefits of screens, but minimize the negative side effects. For more info, visit their homepage at: [START \(westartnow.org\)](http://START(westartnow.org)). Online virtual sessions go to: [Programs — START \(westartnow.org\)](http://Programs—START(westartnow.org)).



# Athletics/Activities

Athletic Competitions next week:

Tues: FB vs Piper XC KVL @ Wyco Park

**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.

**Physicals need to be submitted for anyone trying out for GBB, BBB or Wrestling.**



6<sup>th</sup> grade girls interested in Girls on the Run -  
Contact [jkellenberger@usd232.org](mailto:jkellenberger@usd232.org)

Parent Sponsor needed as well.

## 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!

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### From The Library -

Thank you for supporting our school book fair!

Book Club for *The Perfect Score* will take place on **Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 3:05-4:00 p.m.**

The Practice Spelling Bee will take place on **Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from 3:05-4:00 p.m.** Get the study list from the library.

The official Spelling Bee will take place on **Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> starting at 3:05 p.m.** Parents are welcome to attend.

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Students who are planning to attend a home football game at DHS or MVHS need to have a parent or guardian with them at the game.

Reminder: students cannot bring backpacks, Kavu's, or any other type of bag into an MVHS football game. They will not be allowed to enter, and officers will NOT search bags to enable them to do so.

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8th Grade Choir Students: Choir concert on Oct 19th at DHS in the Performing Arts Center. The concert will be at 7 pm. Students will report at 6 pm for a rehearsal prior.

## From Our Counselors:

Dear MCMS Parents/Guardians:

The week of October 10th, Mill Creek will join schools across the country in recognizing Red Ribbon Week. The purpose of this week is to educate students on drug awareness and safety to encourage them to make decisions that will keep them safe and healthy. The 2022-2023 Red Ribbon Week Theme is "Celebrate Life-Live Drug Free." As an effort to educate on safe decision making, we will have 3 different presentations, 1 for each grade level during the week. Please be on the lookout for an email with more information regarding each specific presentation.

In addition to the presentations for students we will also be partnering with Sunflower House to offer an E-Safety presentation via Zoom for parents and caregivers on child sexual abuse awareness in our community, safety tips and effective methods to take with children about personal safety. This Zoom session will be held the evening of October 11th at 6:00pm.

\*The Zoom link for this presentation will be sent out via email on 10/10/2022.

[More Information on Red Ribbon Week](#)

**USD 232 PARENT  
INFORMATION SESSION:  
KEEPING YOUR MIDDLE  
SCHOOLER SAFE ONLINE**

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE**

**OCTOBER  
11  
6:00PM**

Hosted by **Sunflower  
House**  
6:00-7:00 P.M.  
Location: Zoom  
\*Space is limited to 300  
participants  
\*Zoom link will be sent out on  
10/10