

September 8th, 2023

Mill Creek Newsletter

Home Of The Mustangs!

Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve

Reminders

- Doors Open at 7:30 am.

School Hours - 7:50 to 3:00 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](#)

New Secretaries at Mill Creek!



Next week our new Building Secretary, Carrie Lantz, will join the MC staff in the front office. We are also finishing interviewing candidates for the Lead Secretary position. I'm sure you can imagine this has caused only minor heart palpitations for us to start the school year! In the meantime, we appreciate your patience and with us when you arrive to pick up your student or call with questions. Thank you for that extra grace as we get our new secretaries trained and accustomed to our great community!

Upcoming Events

Sept 21 - FB/Cheer Team Pics

Sept 22 - XC/VB Team Pics

Sept 22 - Picture Day (First Thing)

Sept 27 - Early Dismissal/Parent Teacher Conferences

Sept 28 - No School - Parent Teacher Conferences

Sept 29 - No School/Building Closed

Oct 2-6 - 7th Grade/Hearing and Vision Screening

Oct 17 - Spelling Bee Practice

Oct 18 - Dig Pink Fundraising Event

Oct 19 - Spelling Bee & End of Quarter

Mill Creek Family,

Mark your calendars for Parent/Teacher Conferences on 9/27 and 9/28! Conferences are a great way to connect with your child's teacher(s) and to establish an important partnership between home and school.

Next week will already mark the ½ way point of 1st quarter. Have you checked grades on Skyward yet? Now is a great time to check in with your student to see how they are doing and set some academic goals.

Go Mustangs!
-Andrew Legler



Athletics/Activities

Athletics Next Week:

Tues: FB vs Piper, VB vs Trail Ridge **Wed** - XC Meet in BV

Thurs: VB vs Lasning **Sat:** VB @ Husky & Turner Tourneys
XC @ Trail Ridge MS

GO MUSTANGS!

Please pull as far forward as you can when in the parent car loop. This helps our line move faster. Students can be dropped off anywhere along the sidewalk.



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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Mill Creek Middle Fall Portraits 2023
Picture day: Friday, September 22, 2023

Passcode : 3112

[CLICK HERE](#) to place your preorder and receive discounted pricing!



Picture Day
Friday,
September
22nd
(Morning only)

Spelling Bee

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The practice spelling bee will take place on **Tuesday, October 17th from 3-4 p.m.**

The official spelling bee will take place on **Thursday, October 19th from 3-4:30 p.m.**

Parents are welcome to watch the official bee on Thursday. The school winner will qualify for the Johnson County Spelling Bee.

Students can pick up the study words from the library.

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We Need YOU:

Attention Mustangs Families! Are you looking for a new career opportunity? Look no further than your own USD 232 district. We are currently hiring a variety of positions, including paraprofessionals, custodians, and student nutrition assistants. Whether you have experience or are looking to just get started in your career, don't miss this opportunity to change lives for the better. Visit the job openings page on our USD 232.org website for more information.

**A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT STUDENTS WHILE EARNING
A LITTLE EXTRA INCOME**

USD 232 is looking for one or more individuals to split a bus route that have either their LPN or RN licensure. We have some wonderful students with medical needs who are in need of either an LPN or RN to assist them while riding the bus to and from school. The hours are listed below and days to work flexible. If interested, please contact Sara Hoepner, Special Services Coordinator at shoepner@usd232.org, or Lee Hanson, Director of Special Services at lhanson@usd232.org, or Tara Harmon-Moore, Coordinator of Nursing Services at THarmonMoore@usd232.org for additional information. The job is also posted on our district website at <https://www.applitrack.com/usd232/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Health+Services>.

HOURS (These can be covered by one individual or split between two or more)

Monday Thru Friday 7:55 to 9:00 a.m.

Monday Thru Friday 3:30 to 4:40 p.m.

From The Counseling Corner:

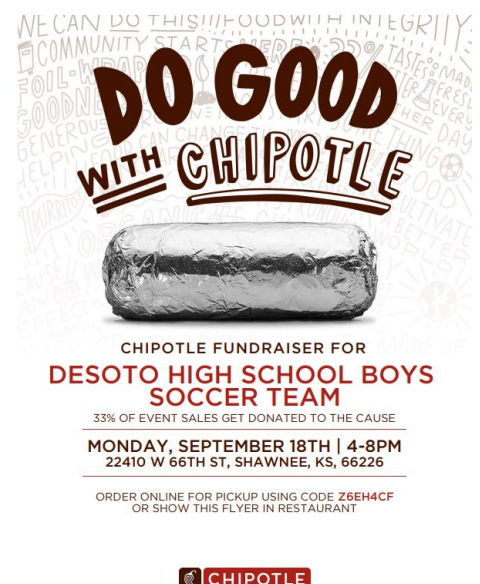
National Suicide Prevention Week is Sept 10 - Sept 16. According to the CDC, in 2021 suicide was the second leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 10-14. Last year, the new national suicide and crisis lifeline was launched. Call or text 988 to be connected with confidential support 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://www.nytimes.com/explain/2022/04/23/health/teen-mental-health-faq>


<https://stopasuicide.org/>

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



WE CAN DO THIS!!! FOOD WITH INTEGRITY
COMMUNITY STARTS HERE
FOOD-WEAR
GOODN
GENEROUS
HELPING
CHANGING
FOOD
PRIVATE
TASTE
FRESH
EVERY
DAY

**DO GOOD
WITH CHIPOTLE**




CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR
**DESOTO HIGH SCHOOL BOYS
SOCCER TEAM**

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH | 4-8PM
22410 W 66TH ST, SHAWNEE, KS, 66226

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **Z6EH4CF**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT

 **CHIPOTLE**

From the MC Nurse's Office

Health Screening

As part of DeSoto 232 School District's health program, the school nurse will do a hearing and vision screening on your child during the 2023-2024 school year. Vision screenings are performed periodically to identify those students who may have a vision disorder in need of attention. Vision screening do not replace a complete vision exam conducted by an eye care professional (optometrist or ophthalmologist). A hearing screen is done to try and determine if your child is hearing at his/her best which is crucial to their learning in the classroom. A hearing screen does not replace an exam conducted by an ENT physician or audiologist.

All students will bring home their printed health screening results. The school nurse will screen your student unless heard from you stating otherwise. If you wish for your student to opt out of their health screenings, please email your MCMS nurses at MCMSNurses@usd232.org.

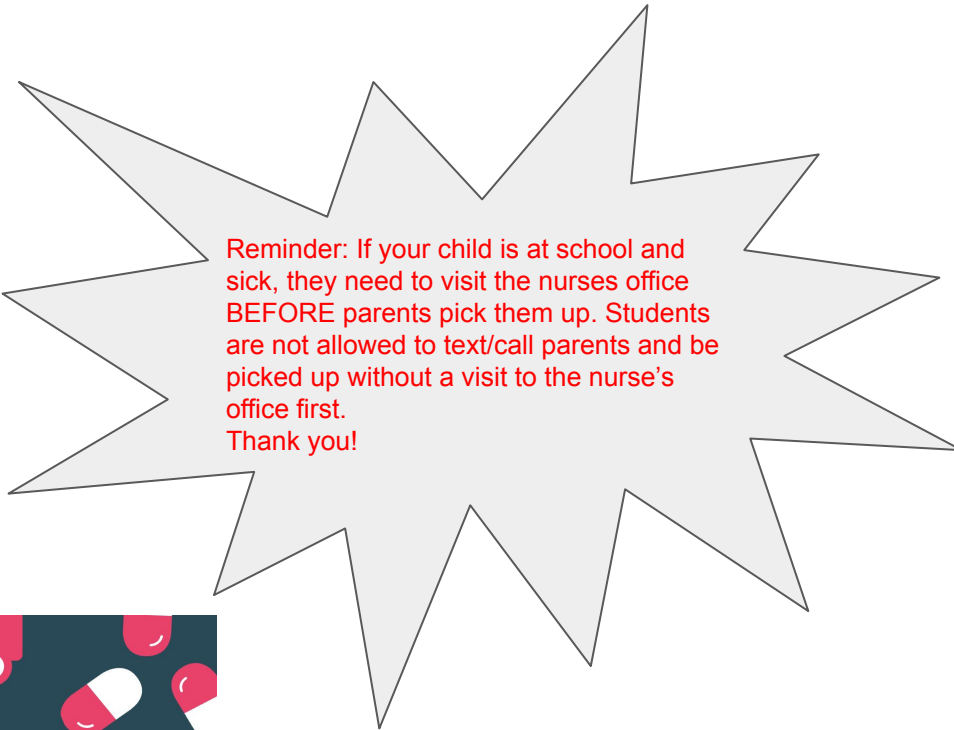
Sincerely,

Mill Creek Middle School Nurses

Ariana Vasquez BSN, RN

Maddy Faddis BSN, RN

Natalie Shultz BSN, RN



Reminder: If your child is at school and sick, they need to visit the nurses office BEFORE parents pick them up. Students are not allowed to text/call parents and be picked up without a visit to the nurse's office first.
Thank you!



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HELP WANTED SUBSTITUTE NURSES

We are in need of substitute nurses to provide assistance when our regular nurses are unavailable. If you're available to help, kindly click on the image to access the job listing. Should you have any inquiries, feel free to contact Tara Harmon-Moore at tharmonmoore@usd232.org.