

September 15th, 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!



There have been many new faces at the Creek this week!

Carrie Lantz, our new Bldg Secretary, started in her new role at Mill Creek.

Angela Handy, our new Lead Secretary, also officially began this week and will be job sharing that position. Allison Danielson, our other Lead Secretary that will job share, will begin in two weeks.

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,

Please take time to read the family emails that came out today regarding checking grades and Parent/Teacher Conferences. Both are very important to your child's success. Thank you for partnering with us to ensure your student has a great school year.

Go Mustangs!  
-Andrew Legler

# Athletics/Activities

Athletics Next Week:

**Tues:** FB vs Warren, VB vs LTMS **Wed** - MC Classic XC Meet

**Thurs:** VB vs Pioneer Ridge

## 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)**

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

The official spelling bee will take place on **Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:shoepner@usd232.org), or Lee Hanson, Director of Special Services at [lhanson@usd232.org](mailto:lhanson@usd232.org), or Tara Harmon-Moore, Coordinator of Nursing Services at [THarmonMoore@usd232.org](mailto: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>

**Summer 2025**

**San Francisco: STEM Discovery**

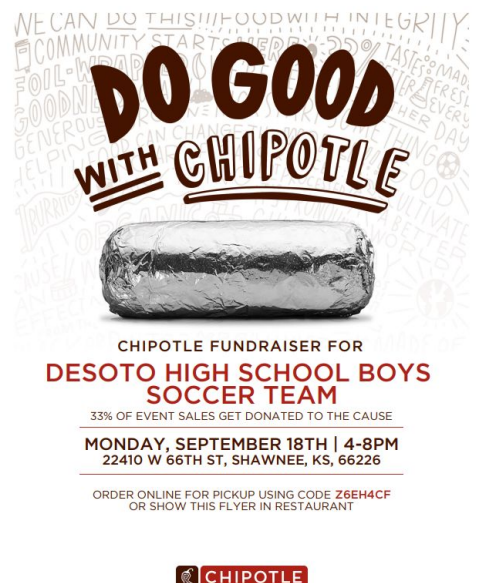
Interested in learning more about the trip?  
Attend our upcoming meeting September 18th!

Use the QR code to view trip details  
and secure your spot!

Scan the QR code  
to enroll




**EF** | EXPLORE  
AMERICA



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

**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



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:tharmonmoore@usd232.org).



## BEST. DAY. EVER.

#ScholasticBookFairs

readingroberts The Scholastic Book Fair will open Friday, September 22nd for 7th graders.

Monday, September 25th will be 6th grade black team's shopping day.

Tuesday, September 26th will be 6th grade gold team's shopping day.

8th graders will shop on Wednesday, September 27th.