

OWN IT. RISE UP. ROCKON!

MMS Parent Newsletter September 2022

Dear MMS Families,

We are all so excited to be back in school. Thank you for coming out to our Back-to-School Night Open House. We have had a great first week of school with the kids and, in addition to getting right into academics, fall sports are already underway. Have a great holiday weekend!

Sincerely, Ms. Sanders Principal, MMS



IMPORTANT DATES

September 7

Board of Education Meeting

Milliken Middle School

September 21

Board of Education Meeting

Pioneer Ridge

October 13

Parent Teacher Conferences

3 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME!

A Warm Welcome to Our Wonderful New Assistant Principals



The Milliken Middle School Administration has new faces this year! Please welcome Mr. Michael Curtis (left) and Mrs. Brynn Stevens (right). We are lucky to have them join our Mustang family. (Ms. Aspen Sanders, Principal, pictured center)

CLASS FEES

Encore class fees will be posted to the Infinite Campus Portal on September 6th. Please pay these fees as soon as possible. You can pay them on the portal or in the main office of the school. If you qualify for free or reduced lunch, fees will be waived. For questions, please contact the MMS main office at 970-587-6300.

LUNCH FORMS



Weld County School District RE-5J would like to encourage ALL families to fill out a meal application. These applications help Weld RE-5J with funding and with grants, etc., and you will have a 30 day carryover for the start of the 22/23 school year.

The 2021-2022 school year meal applications will expire on September 28, 2022. Your child will change to paid meals on September 29, 2022, unless you fill out the 2022-2023 meal application and are approved for free/reduced price meals. You will receive a letter by mail stating your free/reduced approval or denial. ONLINE Meal Application for 2022-23 school year: Infinite Campus Parent Portal. Paper applications are available at the district office, or each school office.

Please return paper applications by mail or in-person to the following address:

Weld RE-5J School District Attn: Lunch Applications 110 S. Centennial Drive, Suite A Milliken, CO 80543

PARENT TEACHER STUDENT ORGANIZATION (PTSO)

If you are interested in joining our newly formed PTSO, please let us know. We are excited to get this organization up and running at MMS! To get involved contact:

Aspen Sanders at (970) 587-6304 or aspen.sanders@weldre5j.org

RISE UP TUTORING

Beginning September 21st, we will offer tutoring/homework help on Wednesdays from 2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. No sign-up is required.

If you have questions, please contact Michael Curtis at (970) 587-6336 or michael.curtis@weldre5j.org. Transportation is not provided after tutoring.

DON'T MISS OUT!

Want to make sure you don't miss any important information about MMS?

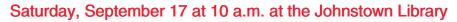
Join our Facebook Page atfacebook.com/MMSMustangs1

Ensure your contact information is up to date in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal

CMAS SCORES

Spring 2022 scores will be sent home with students on September 16th.

UPCOMING AUTHOR EVENT





Parents, there is a free author event coming up featuring Victoria Jones-Dubose whose book, *Parenting Teens, The Tug-A-War to Adulthood*, centers around troublesome issues facing teenagers.

The event is Saturday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m. at the Glenn A. Jones M.D. Memorial Library, 400 S Parish Ave, Johnstown, CO 80534. It is free to attend and no registration is required. The book is also available to check out at the library if you are interested in reading it before the event.

Parenting Teens, The Tug-A-War to Adulthood tackles the subject of teenagers struggling in broken families while facing difficult choices such as drug use, parental absence, social pressures, and more. Victoria will address both the trials and victories of teens and their families in overcoming these situations.

Questions? Contact Delka Babiuch at DBabiuch@highplains.us



Dear Weld RE-5J Families,

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success starting in kindergarten and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and in life.

Your child is less likely to succeed if he or she is chronically absent, which means 10 percent of the school year or approximately 18 days over the course of an entire school year. Research shows:

- Children chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade are much less likely to read at grade level by the end of 3rd grade.
- By 6th grade, chronic absence is a proven early warning sign for students at risk of dropping out of school.
- By 9th grade, good attendance can predict graduation rates even better than 8th grade test scores.

Absences add up quickly! A student can become chronically absent if they miss just one or two days a month!

The opportunity for all of our kids to benefit from their education starts by the adults in their life ensuring that they are attending school regularly. We commit to partnering with you. We will be following our regular attendance policy and

procedure for the 2022-2023 school year. Together we can launch your child to reach their full potential.

Sincerely, Kasey Ross Director of Family Partnerships

Click here to access the MMS handbook for the full attendance policy.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AND FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

We are so excited to embark on this year's educational journey!















Have questions? Get in touch!

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