

# MOUNT HOLLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### NOVEMBER 2024

Dear Mount Holly Families,

Please read the information and items of concern listed below for all parents and guardians. Thank you in advance for your support of these items. Below is Mount Holly's information for October.

- Our tardies have gone down but there is still work to do. Winter is coming, and with winter comes the cold mornings and more tardies. Please stay in the habit of getting your students to school before the 7:45AM bell (being there before the 7:40AM warning bell is even better). When the 7:45AM bell sounds, the front doors to Mount Holly are locked. At that time, for safety reasons, parents are to walk their child to the front office and sign them in for the day. After ten (10) tardies, we will have a meeting with the parents to see how we can help get the student to school on time. Thank you for all of your support to get all of our Mustang students to school before 7:45AM.
- On October 15, 2024, the South Carolina Department of Education released the 2024 School Report Cards. Mount Holly received a rating of 59 GOOD. The 59 is nine (9) points growth from the 2023 report card. Thank you to the MHES staff, students and parents for the 2024 report card growth. To see report cards for any school in South Carolina, visit <https://scoreportcards.com/>

#### REPEATED INFORMATION

- Early Dismissal ends at 1:50PM. You will only be able to get your child from school after 1:50PM for a medical appointment and you **must** present the appointment notification when you come to sign out your child.
- It is good when parents can come and have lunch with their child and we have had quite a few parents come to lunch so far this year. When parents come to lunch with their child, parents and the child are invited to the stage for lunch. The student cannot bring a friend/classmate to have lunch with them.
- COVID protocols for Rock Hill Schools has been updated. Please visit the Rock Hill School website and visit the Nursing Services Department link ( <https://www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/Page/11943> ) to see the latest information on protocols and COVID testing locations.

#### Important Dates for November and December:

##### November

- 6-7 3rd Grade to Museum of York County
- 8 Veteran's Day Celebration
- 13 1st Grade Field Experience to Schiele Museum
- 13 WingBonz Spirit Night

- 14 Fall Elementary Art show at the Center for the Arts 5PM - 6:30PM (downtown Rock Hill)
- 15 Jeans Day
- 18-22 Free Book Fair (during Media Center specials; 2 books & swag bag)
- 19 4H Club Afterschool
- 22 November Terrific Kid Ceremony 8:30AM
- 26 2nd Grade Slam Dunk WU Basketball Game
- 27-29 Thanksgiving Break

#### December

- 2-6 Reindeer Den
- 10 Winter Measures of Academic Progress (MAP): Reading
- 12 Winter Measures of Academic Progress (MAP): Math
- 13 5th Grade GT Presentation to Parents 8:30A-9:30A
- 17 4H Club Afterschool
- 20 Early Dismissal for students at 11:15AM
- 23-27 Winter Break
- 30-31 Winter Break

#### January

- 6 Students return

