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MMS Parent Newsletter October 2023

Dear MMS Community,

Next Thursday, October 12th, is the end of 1st quarter, and there is no school on October 13th due to a professional development day. As we head into fall, our Mustangs continue to thrive here at MMS. The Milliken Middle School Facebook page highlights some of the great things happening at our school. We pride ourselves on celebrating the amazing students we have here. If you haven't checked it out, I would encourage you to do so.



On October 10th, we will be doing our first lockdown drill for the year using the Standard Response Protocol (SRP). The purpose of this drill is to make sure all of our staff and students know what needs to be done in the event of an emergency. If you'd like to learn more about SRP, please check out iloveyouguys.org or use this [link](#).

Looking ahead to the rest of the month, it is packed full of FUN beginning on the 17th.

Please join us for our Fallin' into Fall event. See the image below for more details.

Picture retakes are on October 20th. Prior to this date, if you ordered school photos, your child will receive them during Mustang Time.

On October 23rd, we will kick off Bully Prevention Week with our guest speaker,

Basketball Jones! The rest of the week will be filled with fun activities and themed days for students to participate.

On the 27th, we will have our **Fall Fest Dance from 2:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.** The cost is \$3.00, and students can attend if they haven't been suspended (either in school or out of school) since October 3rd.

Halloween costumes are ENCOURAGED for the school day on the 31st. Students who choose to wear costumes must comply with the school dress code, not be distracting to the learning environment, and cannot wear masks. If you have any questions, please reach out to either myself or another administrator.

Finally, as we near the holidays, calendars start to get busy with holiday concerts, family events, etc. **November 8th will be our last parent/teacher conference for the first semester.** I'll provide more details in next month's newsletter.

Happy Fall!
Ms. Calvillo
Principal, MMS

IMPORTANT DATES

October 18

Board of Education Meeting
7 p.m. at Milliken Middle School

PTSO Meeting at 3:45 p.m.
in the MMS Library

November 1

Board of Education Meeting
7 p.m. at Roosevelt High School

REMINDERS FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE STAFF

Immunization reminder letters were sent out at the beginning of the month. Please have all records or exemptions submitted to the Health Office as soon as possible. Students missing full documentation by November 17, 2023, will not be allowed to return to school until their documentation is received.

Please remember students may not carry medications of any kind without proper documentation and approval from the school health office. This includes both prescription and over-the-counter medications of all types. Medications must be in the original properly labeled containers.

On October 17th, all 7th graders, students with IEPs, and any student new to the district will be participating in the hearing and vision screening during the school day. Students who wear contacts or glasses need to make sure they wear them on this day. If you do not want your child to participate in the screening, please

contact our health office.



Last spring, the Johnstown Community YMCA, in collaboration with several community members, the United Methodist Church of Johnstown, and the Roosevelt High School Interact Club, launched the Hunger Heroes program.

This program is an initiative supporting our food-insecure youth in the Weld School District RE-5J. Each week, volunteers work with the Weld County Food Bank to secure enough food to provide over 100 students with needed nutrition over the weekend. Hunger Heroes organized and assembled bags and backpacks of food that were then delivered to each school. The Hunger Heroes recently added the local fire and police departments to their partnership. Each week, staff from local stations deliver the backpacks to the schools.

If you would like to learn more about this amazing program or would benefit from the program [CLICK HERE](#) to fill out the Hunger Heroes Google Form.



FALLIN' INTO FALL

COME JOIN US AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD
FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN!

There will be yard games, obstacle
courses, prizes, and Kona Ice.

WHO: MMS Students and Families

WHERE: MMS Football Field

WHEN: Tuesday, Oct. 17th from 3-5 p.m.

We hope to see you there!



NEW ROOSEVELT MIDDLE SCHOOL to Open in 2025



Construction continues on the new Roosevelt Middle School (RMS) campus, which will open in January of 2025. The project, which converts the former Roosevelt High School into a new middle school, is part of the planned renovations and upgrades made possible by our community voting to pass a bond in 2020.

This new campus will provide exciting opportunities for Weld RE-5J students. Extensive research and planning has gone into the new building. A design advisory committee made up of teachers, administrators, and community members has been working with the architects and construction team since the spring of 2022. This committee



has worked to create spaces in the new school that are comfortable and welcoming for students while maximizing teaching and learning. Bright, beautiful new commons will provide flexible work and learning areas where students can collaborate and/or study independently. Dedicated Career and Technical Education (CTE) areas, including an agricultural growing space and a built-in robotics arena, have been designed to promote career exploration and prepare students for pathways at Roosevelt High School. In addition to creating new dedicated spaces, the campus takes advantage of amenities that are typically only available to high school students, such as a spacious auditorium, a wrestling room, a football field, and a running track. The new middle school is being created with future growth in mind and will accommodate up to 900 students

The entire RMS community is excited for what the future holds! Opening has been scheduled for January of 2025, which will ensure that the campus and staff are ready for teaching and learning without disruption while also enabling students to take advantage of the new facilities as soon as possible.

For questions please contact Aspen Cavillo, Principal, at aspen.cavillo@weldre5j.org

Have questions?
Get in touch!

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