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The Official Newsletter of Mulvane Middle School 915 Westview Drive Mulvane, KS 67110 Phone: (316) 777-2022 Facsimile: (316) 777-4967 www.USD263.com

# Cat News



## **Conduct Reward Party:**

Parents, guardians and educators teach students to attend school, do their best, and be respectful to adults and to each other. Students hear the message of "Do the right thing!" at home and at school and in their community.

After the entire school enjoyed watching the movie, "Wonder" at the Derby Plaza Theaters, 98% of our students were eligible to attend the Conduct Reward Party. Students enjoyed choosing games and enjoy refreshments. We are so proud that we have a large number of our students doing their best!!!

Future note: The second semester reward party is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23, 2018 with our traditional pins tournament and a field trip to All Star Adventures. Students will have to meet 4 of the following criteria in order to attend this party: Still on the Green or Blue Conduct Card; 90% attendance; no more than 1 Failing grade; no OSS or ISS (a student who receives multiple ISS or OSS assignments will not be eligible); and doing their best on State and MAP assessments. More details to come in the next few newsletters.

Thank you, parents for continuing to teach your child the importance of doing their best!



# Nominate a Well-Deserving MMS Staff Member or Volunteer!!

This semester we are again taking time to say, "Thanks, for a job well-done!" Staff, students and parents are welcome to nominate a "Staff Member or Volunteer of the Month." Each month, names are drawn to receive an assortment of prizes. The nomination forms are delivered to those staff members who are nominated to see the wonderful, kind thoughts written about the job they are doing. If you are interested in offering a "pat on the back" to a deserving person, please complete a nomination form in the main office or email Mrs. Becker to nominate someone.

## **Character Counts!**

December - "Kindness"

6A Kyson S. 6B Riley H.

7A Lauren Y. 7B Rebecca F.

8A McKenna R. 8B Madison W.

January's Theme: "Self-Discipline"

# Reindeer Games: Fundraiser for Wichita Children's Home is a Success

The annual Fundraiser for The Wichita Children's Home was a big success. Students paid a minimum \$2.00 donation at the door to attend the assembly. This event raised \$1,200 for the Wichita Children's Home.

Assembly events included: Mr. Huss annual CO2 car race with an 8<sup>th</sup> grader. The contest was to be the best in two out of three races. This year, Miss Bailey K's car won both the second and third race. Ms. Humphries' Spanish class entertained the students with performing a Christmas song, in Spanish and a select group of students battled in a variety of basketball contests and "Minute to Win It" challenges. In addition to all that, the faculty participated in a friendly game of basketball with the MMS Wildcat teams.



MMS held its annual Spelling Bee on Wednesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Malena H. and 7<sup>th</sup> grader, Troy B., took 2<sup>nd</sup> place. MMS will host the Pioneer League Spelling Bee on Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. For this event, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Representatives to compete are Malena H., Izahk C., Kassidy H., Christian B. and Riley D. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Representatives are Troy B., Emily S., Eden C. and Landon A..

## What's happening in January?

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3	School Resumes		
	MMS SPELLING E	BEE	3:15
4	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ El Dorado	
5	YEARBOOK AND WINTER SPORTS PICTURES		JRES
8	GRADE CARDS MAILED HOME		
	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ Wellington	5:00
9	League Spelling Bee @ Mulvane 4:00		4:00
11	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ Clearwater	
13	Mulvane Optimist Tri-Star Basketball 9 – 2:30		- 2:30
15	MLK Holiday	NO SCHOOL	
18	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ Winfield	
22	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ Ark City	
23	WRESTLING	@ El Dorado	4:30
25	BASKETBALL	Girls HOME	5:00
		Boys @ Prarie Hills	
26	PROGRESS REPORTS		
27	WRESTLING	@ Haysville West	9:00
29	BASKETBALL	Boys HOME	5:00
		Girls @ Augusta	5:00
30	WRESTLING	@ El Dorado	4:30

#### From the School Nurse:

The cold and flu season came upon us early this year. As a parent you can help keep your child stay healthy!

- Get plenty of rest
- Eating right
- Wash hands frequently
- Cover mouth with forearm when you cough
- Don't share food or drink
- Consult Physician regarding a flu Shot
- Keep students home when they are sick

Reminder: Per BOE policy, please do not send students to the building for any reason if they have not been in attendance in at least 3 class periods for the day. This includes picking up homework, after school activities,

#### Future dates and information:

#### NO SCHOOL (all USD 263 buildings):

Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> Martin Luther King Holiday Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup> No School Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> Teacher In-service Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> President's Day Holiday

#### NO SCHOOL MMS Only:

Wed., April 25<sup>th</sup> Pioneer League Band Festival

#### **FINAL CHANCE TO BUY 2017-18 YEARBOOK:**

February 5 - 9 (cost of the book is \$35.00)

#### VALENTINE DAY, Wednesday, February 14th

Due to the major disruption to the learning environment, MMS will not accept Valentines deliveries on this date. Please have all deliveries go to the student's home address.

#### **STATE ASSESSMENTS:**

Teachers have been preparing students for success on the State Assessments. All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be required to take the Reading and Math Assessments. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the Social Studies Assessment and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will take Science and Social Studies Assessments.

#### **PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES**

This is a very important grading period to determine eligibility for promotion and involvement in sports next year. Parents are encouraged to visit with their child's teachers about a plan for success, enrollment for next year and view their child's Individual Plan of Study, which includes career planning.

Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm - 7:30pm Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm - 7:30pm Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> (No School) 7:30am - 3:00pm

#### **Optimist Tri-Star Basketball Contest**

Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM – 2:30PM

MMS Auxiliary Gym

Grades 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>

	Superintendent	Dr. Brad Rahe
	MMS Principal	Mrs. Traci Becker
	MMS Assistant. Principal/AD	Mrs. Heidi Perkins
	MMS Counselor	Mrs. Kelly Ball
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