



Moon Mountain School

Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

Students back on campus!

WESD will return to in-person instruction after Fall Break on Monday, October 19. At this time, our benchmarks are trending towards a Traditional model (five days in school). Parents should have received communication regarding the selection they made with the option to make changes **no later than Tuesday, September 29.**

We look forward to having students, teachers and staff back on campus! Please know health and wellness continues to be our priority. WESD will take direction from the national, state and local health officials. Precautions will include hand washings, hand sanitizing, enhanced cleaning and enhanced ventilation. Additionally, movement on campus, lunch, recess and drop off / pick up is being revised. Also, no outside visitors or volunteers will be allowed on campus for at least the first semester. More information to come!

All teachers will receive two days to transition. The transition days will be on Thursday, October 8 and Friday, October 9. The transition days will to allow teachers to prepare their classrooms and receive safety training. There will be no live instruction on these dates.

Parent/Teacher conferences will take place virtually. Look for information from your child's homeroom teacher.

Mrs. Dohogne
Principal

Calendar of Events

October

- 7 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
Student of the Month Virtually
- 9 Grading period ends
- 12-16 **Fall Break – NO SCHOOL**
- 19 In-person Learning Begins
- 21 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
- 27 **Early Release – 1 p.m. – Conferences**
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Moon Mountain Site Council

What is Site Council?

Site Council functions as a school-based leadership group. The responsibilities of the Moon Mountain Site Council are to serve in a cooperative, decision-making capacity while:

- ✓ Facilitating school improvement planning regarding agreed upon school qualities
- ✓ Facilitating short-term problem solving regarding school-level issues
- ✓ Facilitating communication with various constituencies, other councils, the Superintendent, and the Board
- ✓ Facilitating school budget support with effective use of general tax credit funds to support WESD students in the school improvement process
- ✓ Facilitating team growth; and conducting other activities as deemed necessary by the Principal, Superintendent, and/or Board.

The mission of the Moon Mountain Site Council is to make quality decisions focused on the needs of children that include a safe, effective learning environment and high expectations for students.

Who is on Site Council?

The Council shall consist of a maximum of 15 voting members to include: Principal, up to 5 Certified Personnel, up to 2 Community Members,



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Governing Board: Tee Lambert, President • Bill Adams, Vice President
Larry Herrera, Member • Aaron Jahneke, Member • Nikkie Whaley, Member
Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

Up to 2 Classified Personnel, Up to 5 Parents/Guardians. Available site council positions include:

Parent/Guardians, Teachers, Community members, and Classified.**

**A parent or guardian who is employed by WESD may serve as a member of the school site council if the parent or guardian is not employed at the same school where the parent or guardian's child is enrolled.

When are meetings?

Meetings will be held monthly at 4:00 p.m. See 20-21 dates below:

Oct. 28| Nov. 18| Dec. 16| Jan. 27| Feb. 24| Mar. 31| Apr. 28| May 19

How do I apply for Site Council? Membership is for a term of two years. All interested persons shall complete an application (located in the front office or on the Moon Mountain Website). Completed applications must be turned in on or before Friday, September 25, 2020.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

We have been learning so much in Kindergarten! We will continue to read and write our zoo phonics letters and numbers, but this month we will extend our knowledge to reading/writing sentences and comparing numbers/quantities. We will also dive into story elements such as character, setting, and plot. Learning is so fun!

THIRD GRADE NEWS

Navigating through online learning has been a new experience for all of us. Thank you to everyone for your persistence and understanding as we've started the year with distance learning. Through it all, we are working hard to develop our 3rd grade skills. Mrs. Mills has started an online reading program that provides reading materials on the computer to students while the library is unavailable. Many students are also acquiring online books through Epic. It's important for 3rd graders to read for 20 minutes each day outside of the class meetings. Additionally, we have learned about the writing process and we will be exploring how to write an opinion paragraph next.

In math, we jumped right into learning multiplication. In just a few weeks, the students have already shown much growth with their fact fluency. Please encourage your children to practice math facts at home. Flash cards can be a fun way to reinforce this skill. We will be moving forward to division so practicing both multiplication and division facts will help your child build a strong

foundation for future concepts. There's a lot to be excited about in 3rd grade!

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Jonathan W.	Darla-Rose C.
Jacob R.	Ella V.
Dakari B.	Aiden M.
Alexander F.	Ariana T.
Francisca S.	Jeffrey E.
Karter W.	Jesse-Lei M.
Vida A.	Jacob D.
Victor B.	Johanna B.
Bentley A.	Cooper W.
Trevon B.	Matthew L.
Jocelyn P.	Victor M.
Aiden W.	Trinity G.
Autumn A.	Liya G.
Shirley S.	Makaylah C.
Eleanor E.	Jesse G.

LIBRARY NEWS

Moon Mountain Library Reading Program
Let's get started reading with eBooks! We may not be able to visit our school library, but we can still read electronic books with the Open eBook app! Download the app from Google Play on your school Chromebook and ask your teacher for a special access code that will allow you to download up to 10 eBooks at a time. Read an eBook and visit our library site <https://sites.google.com/wesdschools.org/moonmountainlibrary/> to fill out and submit your eBook Report. Do not forget to bookmark this site to return to submit more eBook Reports! For each eBook Report submitted, students receive one entry for our monthly prize drawing. The first drawing will be for a \$25.00 gift card and will take place on Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. In addition, for each eBook Report submitted; we will add ten colored stickers to our "Mosaic Mystery Picture." The more we read, the sooner we will reveal the picture!

Stay in "In The Know"

Parents and families, we've put together a summary of the communications resources available for you to stay connected with our school and the WESD. To view all of the latest information regarding WESD's reopening plan, visit www.wesdschools.org/returntolearn. Please also make sure to like and follow the WESD's Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn sites to get news and updates. We also have our school Facebook page to engage with families.



Are you using ParentVUE? We encourage you to access this student information system online or download the mobile app to access important updates throughout your child's school year. An Activation Key is required to create and log in to your account. Please contact the school office for assistance. To log in to ParentVUE, visit https://parentvue.wesdschools.org/PXP2_Login.asp.

The WESD also uses the SchoolMessenger notification service to send important information to our families through phone calls, emails, and text messages. In order to receive text message alerts through this system, you will need to "opt-in" to the service. A reminder to use the same cell phone number that we have on file for you. This is the cell number that you provided to register your child. To get started, just text YES or OPTIN to the shortcode 67587.

Lastly, have you heard about Peachjar? WESD utilizes Peachjar's digital flyer management solution to deliver digital informational flyers and resources directly to families. This is a free service that automatically shares digital flyers posted either by our school or the district.

Thank you to our families for continuing to connect with us this school year!

WRIC

The WRIC is going virtual this year! We miss having you all in our center but we're still planning some fun, learning activities you can do at home with your children.

Here's how it works:

1. Each month we will have weekly storytimes and fun activities that go along with an exciting monthly theme.
2. Call 602-896-6086 to register and on the last Wednesday of each month, you will be able to pick up your **FREE Laugh & Learn Activity Kit** with all the supplies you need for the following months' activities.
3. Every Wednesday and Friday, we will post a link on our Facebook page that will take you to the storytime or activity. Be sure to Like and Follow us on Facebook so you don't miss any of the fun!
4. After you participate in the storytime or activity, click the link for the sign-in sheet. Complete the sign-in sheet and click 'Submit'. Don't forget to fill in the surprise vocabulary word you heard during the video!
5. Your child will receive a virtual stamp for every video you watch with a completed

sign in sheet. Watch 5 videos in a month and your child will be able to pick up a prize at the next activity kit pick up time.

September programming has begun! If you are interested in registering for a kit for September programming please contact us at 602-896-6086.

In need of some assistance and not sure where to turn? Contact the WRIC to be connected with a wealth of community resources to aid you in your time of need. Give us a call at 602-896-6086 or 602-896-6022 for Spanish speaking families for more information.

PTSA NEWS

Moon Mountain PTSA supports the students, teachers and staff of the school through its membership. Please consider joining PTSA. As a member you are not required to do anything except contribute the \$10 membership fee.

PTSA supports extracurricular activities and needs of the school through fundraising. Fry's Food Stores have continued to support PTSA through their Loyalty Shopper program. Link your loyalty card to MM PTSA and every time you shop PTSA earns funds. To join:

- Go to the Fry's Food website.
- Click on the Save tab
- Scroll to bottom and click on community member
- Select Moon Mountain as your community partner
- Put in your loyalty card number

AmazonSmile customers can now support Moon Mountain PTA in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones! Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations.

- Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device
- Go into the main menu of app and tap into 'Settings'
- Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process

