

Meadowlark Ridge Elementary School



October 2020

Take Flight at Meadowlark Ridge

Schedule of Events

10/1

- Site Council @ 6:15pm
- PTO @ 7:00pm

10/29

- End of 1st quarter
- Fall Classroom Parties

10/30

- Teacher Workday
- NO SCHOOL

Next Month:

- 11/5 - Site Council and PTO
- 11/5 - Picture retakes
- 11/25 - 11/27 - Thanksgiving Break/ NO SCHOOL

Halloween Information

MLR will be celebrating Halloween as we have in years past though it will look a bit different this year. Please plan to send your child to school on October 29th wearing their costume over their clothing.



Students will report to their classroom, share their costume with classmates, take a group photo and celebrate with a classroom party. Students will remove costumes after the party and the remainder of the school day will be a day of learning.

Pictures of classes will be posted via the MLR Facebook page.

Please choose costumes that do not promote violence or contain blood, goo, extreme make-up covering the whole face or weapons.



Fall Book Fair

Virtual Book Fair Oct. 12-23

Students will virtually tour the book fair during library time the week of October 12th. Families can shop using a unique book fair link. Information will be sent out closer to the book fair time! Support our PTO with your purchase! Book orders over \$25 will ship free to your home!

Lifeskill of the Month

Patience is the ability to tolerate waiting, delay, or frustration without becoming agitated or upset.

Practicing patience builds appreciation and work ethic. Kids who learn to work for what they want and learn to delay gratification do better in adulthood.



Please note:

There is no supervision prior to 8:05 daily.



Every student needs to bring the following items to school each day:

- Mask
- Lunch Lanyard
- Charged Chromebook



Technology Support

- Resources are available on the Connect 2 Learn link on the 305 website
- Parents can email parent.tech@usd305.com with specific questions about technology issues
- This parent tech line is not for classroom instruction support

2nd and 4th Grade Music Programs



This year's music programs will look a little different: each section of a grade will be learning different songs on the instruments and then will be recorded during their music class time. Those videos will be edited together and posted in their Music's Google Classroom page for families to enjoy. More information on the dates to follow!

Internet Safety

Steps You Can Take to Protect Your Children Online

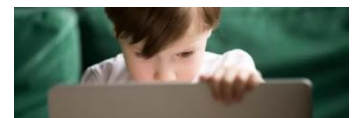
- Keep your children's computer in a common area of the home to monitor their activity.
- Check your child's browser history frequently.
- Use security software or tools.
- Activate privacy features through your browser or internet service provider.
- Know what other computers or devices your child is using.
- Know your children's passwords.
- Watch for changes in your child's behavior that may indicate cyberbullying or contact with an online predator.

Also make sure your children don't open any social media accounts or download social media apps until they are at least 13 years old. That's not just a safety tip, it's the law. The [Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule](#) was passed in 1998 to protect kids' online privacy.

A.L.I.C.E. UPDATE

MLR continues practicing our A.L.I.C.E. drills. The students do a great job following directions and practicing new ways to deal with threats. We will continue to practice A.L.I.C.E. drills throughout the year. Teachers will use the book, "I'm Not Scared, I'm Prepared!" to review the important parts of A.L.I.C.E.

Ask your child what they have practiced so far this year at school.



District Information



In accordance with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), USD 305 has designated certain information as directory information. This information is considered public information which may be released from the school district without your prior consent. Please inform your school building in writing that any or all of the directory information should not be released without your prior consent (by August 31, 2020 to ensure it is not included in a parent directory). The following information is considered directory information:

- The student's name, address, telephone number, date of birth, picture
- Parent's name, address and telephone number
- The student's major field of study and class designation (i.e. first grade, tenth grade)
- The student's participation in officially recognized activities or sports
- The weight and height of members of athletic teams
- Dates of attendance (period of time during which a student was enrolled in an educational agency or institution, i.e. academic year, spring semester)

Meadowlark Ridge phone number—
309-4300

Breakfast is served 8:05am—
8:20am daily.

School starts @ 8:30

School ends @ 3:25

Bus parents, be sure to contact the school prior to 2:45 pm if your student DOES NOT need to ride the bus that day.

Visitor Policy



Due to Covid-19 precautions, visitors are limited to the front office only. Volunteers will not be permitted during the 2020-2021 school year.

CAPS Fall 2020 Schedule

“NURTURING PARENTING”

English & Spanish — Sep 14—Nov 16, Monday Evenings

English class is 7pm to 8:30pm/ Spanish from 6pm to 7:30

“INTERNET SAFETY-CHILD PREDATORS IN THE MOBILE AGE”

Sep 22nd & 24th OR Oct 20th & 22nd

7pm to 8:30pm

“COOPERATIVE PARENTING IN DIVORCE”

Oct 5th—22nd Mondays & Thursdays

7pm to 8:30

“INCREDIBLE BABIES”

September 8—Oct 27, 6:00-7:30 Tuesdays

CALL THE CAPS OFFICE TO REGISTER-785-825-4493

En español call 785-819-0766

Box Tops

Box Tops is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

