



Whispering Meadows Elementary

Maverick News

Welcome

Welcome to an exciting school year! We are thrilled to welcome our new families as we begin the 2017-2018 school year. We will share our newsletter monthly to help you stay connected and celebrate the incredible teaching and learning happening at WMES.

We have been working on transitioning back into the school year with getting to know one another, building relationships in the classroom, learning procedures in the building, and showing what we know through beginning of the year assessments. Look for information to come home soon as students complete NWEA. Students should be recognized for showing BEST efforts and making personal growth.

Next month, we will hold our one and only fundraiser of the year, the Maverick Stampede. This is a fundraiser that supports amazing teaching and learning opportunities all year long. We are so thankful for your support!

We are excited to be back and take great pride in your child's learning. Thank you for allowing us to be partners in this journey.
—Mrs. Veit


SACS

SOUTHWEST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS



Welcome to our Whispering Meadows Family!

Mrs. Cary, Mrs. Dhanjy,
Mrs. Eckert, Miss Wallace

Be Your B.E.S.T.

Be Responsible. Earn Trust. Show Respect. Totally Safe.

We have spent the beginning weeks of the school year learning and practicing what it means to Be Your B.E.S.T. at Whispering Meadows. Students and teachers have walked through each area of our day and can now show their B.E.S.T. everywhere and always!

Students are recognized for their hard work and showing their B.E.S.T. with silver B.E.S.T. bucks. Please help us celebrate your child's work by creating a special place at home where he/she can keep these bucks until our 1st 9 weeks event in October.

You can help celebrate with your child when he/she brings home and B.E.S.T. buck by asking him/her to explain their actions in earning these.

WMES Contacts

WMES Office—260.431-2601

Attendance Line—260.431.2605

Stay connected with WMES.



Canvas—this is a tool used daily in the classroom to communicate the work your child has done during the day and what is left to be completed as homework. Your child uses Canvas during his/her learning and will also explore this further on an eLearning day to continue the momentum of learning.



Twitter—this is a tool used by WMES to share brief tidbits of learning taking place during the school day. Check it out and see how the conversation at dinner changes!

www.sacs.k12.in.us—Our school website is a great resource of information and another tool utilized to communicate with our families.

Upcoming Events

- 9/14—PTC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 9/20—PTC Coupon Books and \$ Due
- 9/27—Special Ed Parent Group
- 9/29—Maverick Stampede Fundraiser Begins
- 10/12—PTC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- 10/13—End of 1st 9 Weeks
- 10/13—Maverick Stampede and \$ Due

Counselor's Corner

ASCA (American School Counselor Assoc.) Tips for Parents:

- How to set reasonable rules
- Don't make rules so restrictive that neither you nor the child can follow them.
- Get feedback from your child
- Follow through on what you say you're going to do, but don't be afraid to admit when you've made a mistake
- Be aware of school and other parent's rules, curfews, and limits
- Remember that YOU have control over the 2 T's - the TELEPHONE, and TELEVISION

Helping your child succeed in school

- Know what's going on in the school. Contact school staff and visit the school.
- Be supporting of the school and education

- Provide and enforce a proper study time
- Offer to help with trouble on homework or prepare them for tests
- Sit down with your child and write reasonable goals

Working with the school

- Keep communication lines open with the school
- Provide an adequate study atmosphere and study materials at home
- Try the suggestions of teacher and other school staff
- Give the school information about your child with may be helpful.

-Mrs. Lopez, School Counselor



Thanks to a generous donation, we were all able to experience the solar eclipse safely!

Volunteer Information

We LOVE our volunteers and value the time they share with us. Please remember our visitor policy applies to anyone spending time in the building to volunteer, chaperoning field trips, or having lunch with students.

We appreciate your attention to this to maintain the safety and security of our students.

P.E. Information

Just a reminder, 1st and 2nd graders will be swimming January 9- February 2. This is a required activity per the PE curriculum.

Now is a great time to purchase a swimsuit on Clearance if your child will need one in January.



Pick Up and Drop Off *Drop-Off begins at 8:45/Pick-up at 3:30

Please help us maintain the safety of our boys and girls. During arrival and dismissal, please remember these important reminders:

1. Students should enter and exit vehicles from the passenger side only.
2. Drivers and passengers should remain in vehicles at all times.
3. Car rider numbers must be issued by the school to be valid and should be clearly displayed in your front window.
4. Drivers waiting in the car rider line must display car rider number and may consider having blinkers on to let other drivers know you are waiting to pick-up.

Following these simple rules will help keep our boys and girls safe and help these busy times run efficiently.



Showing our work concretely and pictorially when solving math problems! 1-C



Practicing read to self in Kindergarten! K-R



Morning meetings build classroom communities in 1-F.