

Jefferson Elementary School Newsletter

CALENDAR

1-3 Mtn School 5th grade – Egbers / Norman

3 JPG PASTA Fundraiser ORDERS-DUE (Extended)

3-5 Mtn School 5th grade - Carlson / Woo

10 First Grade - VIP: in cafeteria 8:05 – 8:25 am

- 11 JPG Meeting 6:00 PM
- **15 Schuh** Farms: **5**th (9:00-11:00) **3**rd (12:30-2:30)
- **16 Schuh** Farms: Kdg (9:00-11:00) 1^{st} (12:30-2:30)
- **17 Student Council** meeting 7:30 AM **Schuh** Farms: **4**th (9:00-11:00) **2**nd (12:30-2:30)
- **18 Evening Conferences:** 6:00 8:00 pm
- 22 Bus Evacuation Drills >Parent Academy BEGINS
- 23 Student Picture RE-TAKES
- 26 JPG Costume CARNIVAL 5:00 7:00pm Book Fair FAMILY NIGHT: 5:00 – 7:00 pm
- 29 G.M. Box Tops due for monthly class count

ALL FRIDAYS - Early Dismissal

Start: 8:30 AM Dismissal: 1:00 PM

Every Friday that school is in session, MVSD elementary students are dismissed 2 hours early Lunch is served before dismissal. ALL bus routes remain the same just earlier.



BEAT FUBUG It's getting to be that time of year!

Get your Shot! There will be an influenza vaccination clinic at Cascade Commons October 17, 2018. There are no out of pocket costs (no deductible and no co-pay) for anyone who has a current insurance card. This is open to all MVSD students, parents/family & staff.

PLEASE READ: IMPORTANT MESSAGE

According to State Law, Oct. 30, 2018 is the last day that students out of compliance with

immunizations are allowed to attend school this year. If you have not ensured that your child's immunizations are up to date, please do so immediately. Greetings Jefferson Parents,

Happy October! The weather has changed and fall has begun. This year Jefferson has been working with a new door security system. We are so fortunate to have this added layer of security for our students. Thank you all for your support with this new system.

With our 100% attendance goal this year, we are thrilled to see so many students arriving to school on time every day. Students are filling out attendance goals and turning in their progress toward those goals. Prizes are involved!

Conferences are coming soon. Look for a conference note from your child's teacher. Fall conferences help to set the stage for the school year and offer parents an opportunity to create a partnership with your child's teachers. These conferences also aide in coordinating the best method of communication in order to support a student's goals for the year.

Speaking of communication, please look over and return your child's emergency contact information form. It is important that we have your current contact information and email address. Thank you for assisting with this important matter.

October also launches our VIP mornings. Each month students in one grade level have the opportunity to invite a Very Important Person (VIP) to enjoy a breakfast pastry, coffee, and the gratification of reading a story with them before school. We will kick off the VIP events with first grade on October 10, 2018 at 8:05 am.

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

School attendance is a primary focus for Mount Vernon School District. The district's goal is a 100% graduation rate. Please note, classes at Jefferson **begin at 8:30 a.m**.

THREE WAYS TO REPORT A STUDENT'S ABSENCE:

- 1) Give the teacher a signed & dated note (not an email) with planned absence dates.
- 2) **Call the school office**, (360)428-6128, the day of absence and send a signed & dated note to the teacher (not an email) with dates of absence <u>when student returns</u>.
- A parent/guardian may email Jefferson Attendance by going to Jefferson's website: <u>http://www.jefferson.mountvernonschools.org</u>. On the Home page scroll down to SCHOOL LINKS and click on *Report Student Attendance*, this will open an attendance report format.
 - → NOTE: Please DO NOT email teachers with attendance information.

MOUNT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENT ACADEMY

MVSD families may participate in a free five-week course Oct. 22 – Nov.19:

- MVSD & Community Resource Fair
- Understanding Academic Standards; Grades; Credits
- Attendance; Discipline; & Middle School Expectations
- Growth Mindset & 100% Graduation

• How to help your children to be successful; Getting ready for college Childcare will be provided. For information **contact Maria Valerio (360) 428-6128**. Registration information will be sent home.

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Evening Community Support Centers

Centers open October 1st. MVSD students are welcome Monday - Thursday. Tutors, computers and Wi-Fi are available to help students with homework, projects and other academic needs.

- Cleveland Center (in Senior Center) 1401 Cleveland St. 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- Science Station (Blue House) Intersection of N. 26 St. & Kulshan Ave. 4:30pm to 6:30pm
- C Arbor Park Apts. (Student Center) 200 S. La Venture Rd. 3:50pm to 5:50pm

READ & RESPOND SUPPORT

There will be staff in Jefferson's cafeteria before school, 8:05 - 8:25 am, to support students who need to complete their Read & Respond assignments.

KEEP SCHOOLS SAFE

Report an incident of bullying, harassment, vandalism, guns, weapons, or safety issues.

Report via text. Report via web. Report via email. Report via phone.



Counselor's Corner!

Hello, Jefferson Parents & Guardians;

It's so exciting to have the school year underway. We are enjoying seeing the students at school learning, making friends and being part of the



Jefferson community. The Mount Vernon School District has a goal of 100% graduation. In order to do that, students need to be at school every day. There are some changes to the school's processing of tardies and excusing absences even from parents. Establishing the habit of coming to school impacts your children academically, socially and emotionally. Thank you! Heidi Hixson, Counselor hhixson@mvsd320.org 428-6128 ext. 22005

NOTE: J.E.S. STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK is on the school website. There is also a link to COUNSELING on the left column: www.jefferson.mountvernonschools.org

MOUNTAIN SCHOOL

Jefferson Elementary 5th grade students have the opportunity to go to Mountain School again this year in early October.

From North Cascade Institute website: Mountain School is a nationally recognized environmental education program offered by North Cascades Institute in cooperation with North Cascades National Park. Mountain School students come to the North Cascades with their school class, teacher & chaperones to learn about the ecosystems, geology and natural and cultural history of the mountains. Mountain School gives young people an experience they will remember forever.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Wed., Oct. 24 ~ Thurs., Oct. 25 ~ Fri., Oct. 26 BEFORE SCHOOL W/Th/F: 8:05 - 8:25 AM AFTER SCHOOL W/Th: 3:00 - 4:00 PM Family Evening at COSTUME CARNIVAL ~ Fri - 5:00 to 7:00pm Link to Online Shopping Site:

http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/jeffersonelementaryschool132

