

Mark West Elementary February 18, 2022

From the Principal's Desk

Dear Mark West Families,

Such exciting news! Mark West School District is welcoming Parent Volunteers back into the classrooms! Volunteers must be fully vaccinated and able to provide proof of vaccination to the office. (Boosters not required) We are only able to have one volunteer per classroom. There can be no congregating in the staff room/workroom.

School tours have also been approved for incoming kinder parents. Proof of vaccination or a negative antigen test is required to take the tour.

From the Lunchroom

Lunch Menu Available Online

To find the school lunch menu, go to the District website (mwusd.org), hover over [Parent Resources], then select [School Lunch Program, Resources, & Monthly Lunch Menu] from the menu. School lunches are free to all students – no need to sign up! Students order lunch with their teacher in the morning and come pick up a lunch from the cafeteria at lunchtime.

Please remember to send your student to school with a snack.

Green Team

Did you know that Mark West students are leading the way for the District in their efforts to reduce, reuse and recycle? What began as a

project in third grade is now impacting students from TK through 8th grade! Every snack and lunch recess, students separate their trash, compost, and recycling, depositing all in the appropriate bin. Third, fourth and Middle School students help students in this task. They are supported by many teachers, from kinder through eighth grade. Thank you to all for making a difference!



We are happy to announce that the Mark West District Winter Concert will happen in person next week on Thursday, February 24 at the Mark West Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room (gym). The concert is free to attend, but donations in support of the music program are always welcome. Concert times will be as follows:

5:00 Guitars

5:30 Chorus

6:00 Violins

6:30 Band (Clarinets and Trumpets)
Performers should come to the Mark West
music room 15 minutes before their concert
time. All performers and audience members
must wear face masks regardless of
vaccination status.

Make Music, Eat Polenta! Save the date for our Polenta Feed Drive-Thru fundraiser at Cardinal Newman High School on Saturday, March 12!

Meal and raffle tickets for this event will also be available for purchase at the Winter Concert. Help us keep music education

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help by emailing Shannon or Jason at mwef@mwusd.org. Help us keep music education alive in the Mark West School District!

Substitutes Needed

Come help out at school and get paid to do it! We have substitute positions available in the classroom, on the yard, in the library, the cafeteria, and the office. The schedule is flexible – work as little or as much as you like. Stop by the school office to pick up an application or by the District Office (305 Mark West Springs Road) to talk to Marcia Noxon about signing up today!

Safe Routes To School



Students in Second Grade are learning about pedestrian safety through the Safe Routes to School program. Kids learn how to be safe when walking in the neighborhoods.

Next Walking school Bus is March 2nd! Walking School buses will leave from Sam's Market at 7:50 and SaddleBrook at 8:00.

Walk and Roll Wednesdays and Walking School Bus Dates:

Mar. 2nd Apr. 6 May. 4

Sports

5th-6th grade Boys Basketball games have started. The boys will play 4 games, finishing in early March. Girls will receive their packets to prepare for tryouts.

Student Council

Student Council has been doing a tremendous job leading the Friday morning assemblies. Additionally, they work hard planning Spirit Day activities, helping on Walk and Roll Days, and with school wide recycling.

On February 11, Student council sponsored the annual Valentine's Fashion Show, "Sweet a Licious Day. Kids were able to show off their finest Valentine attire as they paraded across the stage to music.

Many thanks to our Student Council advisor, Mrs. Jennell Pardo!

Important Dates

2/18 End of 2nd Trimester
2/21 Presidents' Day no school

2/22 Basketball vs SM @MW

2/23 Dine and Donate- Carmen's Burger Bar

2/24 District Music Concert

2/25 3rd gr. To SF- Art of the Brick
3/1 Basketball vs Riebli @ MW

3/4 Basketball vs SM @ SM

3/21-3/25 Spring Break



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