



February 9, 2018

News from the Principal...

MPS is piloting an Instagram account and we're having a contest for parents & families during parent-teacher conferences! Please review the attached document for more information. There are 8 sets of tickets to performances at the Rose Theater that will be given away to 8 random parents who participate! Check it out!

~All Things Morton

We wanted to share a gentle reminder about appropriate shoes for physical education class. **Tennis shoes are required for PE classes.** Every year, inappropriate footwear in the gym causes feet and ankle injuries. Footwear such as "Wheelies and Heelies," boots, clogs, sandals, flip-flops, Uggs, crocs and wedges pose safety hazards in Physical Education classes. **The Millard Public Schools Board of Education Policy and Rule 6750.1 states our families provide tennis shoes for physical education.** Please provide your child with appropriate footwear which will allow your child's full participation in Physical Education. If you need assistance with the purchase of tennis shoes for your child(ren), please contact Mrs. Bergstrom (jkbergstrom@mpsomaha.org) or 402 715-1290.

Thank you for your contributions to the Morton yearbook! We are still searching for pictures! Please send your pics to: ptamorton.yearbook@gmail.com.

Conversation Starters...
What great book did you find at the Book Fair?

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Morton PTA is hosting Family Night at Morton on **Friday, February 23rd**. The Pancake Man will be in the gym and we'll have several activities for families to enjoy throughout the building! More info is on the way!

Morton PTA is hosting Ragazzi's Night on **Tuesday, February 27th**. More info will be shared with you soon!

Kindergarten 2018-2019...

If you have a child who will turn five by July 31st, and we have not yet contacted you by phone, please call Morton (402 715-1290) to verify we have your child's name on our kindergarten list for the 2018-19 school year. If you have relatives, neighbors, or friends with a soon-to-be five year old living in the Morton attendance area, please ask them to call Morton so we can ensure they receive a kindergarten mailer at the end of the month. Mark your calendars: Kindergarten Round-Up is Friday, April 27th!

The mission of J. Sterling Morton Elementary School, whose culture unites families, guarantees all students develop the academic skills and character traits necessary for personal excellence and responsible citizenship through high-quality, innovative, engaging experiences in a challenging and nurturing environment.

Upcoming Events for Our Mavericks!

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
11	12 No HHC today Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:20-8 pm	13 No Walking Club today Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:20-8 pm	14 Student Council Meeting 7:45-8:15 am Valentine's Day Parties 1:30-2:10 pm	15 NO SCHOOL Parent-Teacher Conferences 8-11 am	16 NO SCHOOL	17
18	19 NO SCHOOL	20 Art Club (1 st grade) 3:45-4:30 pm School Improvement Team Meeting 4-5 pm	21 Safety Patrol Meeting 8-8:15 am	22 Art Club (1 st grade) 3:45-4:30 pm Wellness Club (3 rd grade) 3:45-4:15 pm	23 Family Night with the Pancake Man! 5:30-7:30 pm	24



We are proud of our 5th grade students for their service to our community!

Safety Patrol members for Feb. 9th (PM only) - Feb. 23rd (AM only)
Group 3: Maura, Bella, Kristy, Haley, Nate, Miles, Ian, Abbi

DEADLINE IS FAST APPROACHING

If you are applying for a *within-district transfer* for a new student or you have a student at Morton who is actually assigned to another Millard school and you want a *sibling to attend Morton*, your application must be on file with the district office by **February 15th, 2018**. Go to www.mpsomaha.org, Student Services under Departments, and then click on Enrollment Information for the necessary paperwork.

The application window for *option enrollment* for new students for the 2018-19 school year is also open, but needs to be complete by **March 15th**. Option enrollment is for any student who lives in a Nebraska County outside of Millard Public Schools. Please contact Vicki Carlson at (402) 715-8312 for the application.

If your child is already open-enrolled at Morton, you do not need to reapply.

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