



September 22, 2017

News from the Principal...

The Student Council at Morton has a long-standing reputation focused on community service. The students who serve on this committee are leaders and models for our students and staff. On **Friday, September 22nd**, the Student Council at Morton will sponsor **Wacky Hair Day**. We are asking for \$1/participant; the money collected will be donated to **Operation Super Jack**. The purpose of **OSJ** is to work with Children's Hospital in Omaha to provide a safe place where children with compromised immune systems can be provided with urgent care without the risk of contracting additional diseases. For more information, please look at this website: <http://www.operationsuperjack.org>. Thank you for supporting this cause.

~All Things Morton

If you do not wish to have Morton release student information (and pictures) to the newspaper or other media sources and/or you do not want your child's name/picture published in the Messenger or on our website, **you are required to notify the principal in writing prior to the last Friday in September (September 29, 2017)**. You can learn more about this information in the Course Handbook or contact Mrs. Bergstrom at (402) 715-1290. Thank you!

PTA is looking for your help!
Our "Yearbook Committee" would love to include your photos.
Please send your pics to
ptamorton.yearbook@gmail.com

Health Room News from RoseMary Braun, Michele Reaves and Margi Clark:

Health Screenings: Annually, health screenings are done for students in elementary school. The following screenings will be done in September for all students (kindergarten through fourth grade) who do not have current health physicals on file with the following information: hearing, distance vision, height & weight. First and third grade students will also have near vision checked. Students needing further vision, hearing or dental evaluation will have a referral letter sent home.

Head Lice: Millions of school children will have head lice sometime this year. Although not considered a medical condition, it is a nuisance that can be upsetting, causing undue anxieties for many families. Head lice can happen to anyone; it is not a sign of poor health habits or being dirty. Please check the heads of your children on a routine basis and let the health room know if you find head lice. You can find further details in the student handbook.

Will you have a Kindergartener in 2018-2019?

Millard Public Schools invites you to attend an informational meeting about your child's upcoming Kindergarten experience. Learn ways to help prepare for a smooth transition to Kindergarten.

You may attend either meeting listed below:

Thursday, September 21, 2017 6:30-7:30 at Ackerman Elementary or

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 6:30-7:30 at Abbott Elementary

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. |
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| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| | United Way Fundraising Before & After School Nature Club (3 rd Grade) 3:45-4:30 pm Cooking Club (5 th Grade) 3:45-4:30 pm PTA 6:30-7:30 pm | United Way Fundraising Before & After School Cooking Club (5 th Grade) 3:45-4:30 pm | United Way Fundraising Before & After School Safety Patrol Mtg. (5 th Grade) 8-8:15 am 1st Grade Curriculum Day 1:30-2 pm | United Way Fundraising Before & After School Picture Retakes 8:30 am-noon Cooking Club (5 th Grade) 3:45-4:30 pm | United Way Fundraising Before & After School Wacky Hair Day! \$1 donation suggested | |



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

*Safety Patrol members for September 22nd (PM only) - Oct. 6th (AM only).
 Group #1: Kate H., Gage V., Lily A., Landon P., Grace H., Payton L., Gino L. and Violet B.

Annually our neighbors at Hy-Vee sponsor a program called, "Cash for Students." It's simple; there are no extra fees or extra work required. Every time you make a purchase at any Hy-Vee in the metro area, you can help Morton earn **CASH** by sending your grocery, pharmacy and gasoline receipt(s) (stamped September 1-December 31, 2017) to Morton. We have a collection box in the office. Thanks for helping Morton students!

Thank you to the members of our community who represent Millard Public Schools by serving on the Board of Education:

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