Dear Parents,

STEAM is in the air at Mountain View School. Students are engaged in their STEAM projects in preparation for our upcoming STEAM Family Night, February 22nd. We look forward to you joining us for this special event as you will have the opportunity to witness, explore and interact in STEAM learning throughout all grade levels. One of our student teams will also be sharing their project at the ASU STEM Basketball event on March 1st.

Mountain View’s Chief Student Science Officers have been busy facilitating their STEAM Action Plan in First Grade classrooms. The First Grade students have been practicing their coding skills and exploring what STEAM really means. We will begin the recruiting process to add another Chief Science Officer for the next school year. If your child is currently in fifth through seventh grade and has a passion for STEAM learning and building leadership skills, please contact me.

We are continuing to collect materials and donations for the school’s Makerspace Room and Iexplore Lab. A few new products that have been purchased for students are: cubettos, cues, dashes, which support coding and items for digital communication.

Thank you for you
Gail Miller, M.Ed.        Connie Wolford, M.Ed.
Principal                 Assistant Principal

Upcoming Dates

2/7 - Governing Board mtg, 6pm @ District Office
2/9 - PTA’s Ties & Tiaras Princess Ball, 6-8 p.m.
2/12-16 - Parent Teacher Conference Week
2/12 - McTeacher Night @ McDonalds, 303 & Bell Rd, 5-7 pm
2/15 & 2/16 - Early Release 1:45 p.m.
2/19 - No School, President’s Day
2/21 - Governing Board mtg, 6pm @ D.O.
2/22 - MVS STEAM Family Night

Call the Attendance Line if your child will be tardy or absent!
623-876-7453
Available 24/7

Cafeteria Visitor Rules
We are happy that parents come to eat lunch with their child(ren). According to page 8 of the Dysart Student & Parent Handbook 2017-2018, “parents who wish to eat lunch with their child at school will sit at a designated family table in the cafeteria, and will not be sitting with students at their class/grade table.”

Student Arrival Reminders
Please remember: Students are not allowed to be on campus before 8:40 unless they are scheduled to be here. There is NO supervision before this time!

Please remind students not to ride their bikes, scooters or skate boards on school grounds. Advise students not to throw, toss, or bounce balls before or after school in the front of the building. This can be a danger as other students and families are close by. As stated in the Dysart Student Parent Handbook on page 7, bikes, scooters and skateboards must be walked in crosswalks and once on school grounds.
Photo ID Required for Pickup
Reminder: a current photo ID is required to pick up a student, visit a classroom, or to volunteer. Please always have a photo ID with you when you come to our campus. A Dysart Volunteer badge is acceptable as your photo ID even if you are not volunteering. Please remind all emergency contacts to have their photo ID if they are picking up your child from Mountain View.

Kindergarten Showcase
If you have a child about to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2018, we invite you to our Kindergarten Showcase on Wednesday, March 7th, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. You will get to tour our campus, meet our kindergarten teachers, and learn more about our program.

We are accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year in the front office, or you can register at the Showcase. Please make sure you have your child's current immunization record, original birth certificate, and proof of residency when you register. Hope to see you there!

PTA Corner
Ties & Tiaras Princess Ball, 2/9, 6-8 p.m.
McTeacher Night @ McDonalds at the 303 and Bell Rd. Come out between 5-7 to join our teachers for food, competitions, fun!

Contact us at MountainViewSchoolPTA@gmail.com
Visit our MVS PTA Facebook page!

Would you like to honor one of your child's teachers as an Outstanding Arizona Teacher? You can nominate them for 3TVs Silver Apple Award between now and March 1, 2018.

Yearbooks are on sale now! Order your yearbook from Grads Photography between now and March 16th. Remember - sales are online only, so don't wait too long!

Parent Portal
We highly encourage all parents and guardians to create their parent portal account now. Once created, you will have access to your child's attendance record, current grades, and links to pay online for field trips, athletics, etc. Each parent can have their own account and can see all of their children from one account. You will need one of your student's ID numbers to sign up. You can find this on the census verification form that will go home, or you may contact the front office.

Office Reminders
Please remember that the office is not permitted to call a student down to wait for a parent/guardian in the office prior to the adult’s arrival on campus. The parent/guardian must be present, and the office staff must check your identification. This is for the safety of all students. Thank you for your cooperation!

Our office is latex free! Please do not bring latex balloons to campus!

Contacting Teachers
If you need to contact your child's teacher, you can find their email on the “Teacher Pages” portion of the Mountain View website. You may also call the front office to be transferred to their classroom before or after school. Once students begin arriving at 8:40 a.m., all phone calls will be transferred to the teacher's voicemail. If you wish to meet with your child's teacher, please make an appointment beforehand. Thank you.

Privacy Issues
The front office often deals with issues involving the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). We are respectfully asking that parents limit their time waiting in the front office area to 5 to 10 minutes during school hours so that the privacy of other parents and students is not violated. We appreciate your help in this.

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