Dear Parents,

We are so excited to announce that our school will be participating in the Apex Fun Run again this year as our major Spring Fundraiser! The Apex program will be with our students from 1/22/2018 to 2/2/2018 as we raise much needed funds to help our school. Please look in your child’s folder and for e-mails that will be sent to you as the fun run gets nearer.

Apex Fun Run is an interactive leadership program that helps schools all over the country raise money, while promoting leadership, good character, and fitness. This year’s theme is UNITED! Students will join the Apex Squad on an exciting journey as they learn what it truly means to unite as a team.

➔ Unique
➔ No Excuses
➔ Inspire Others
➔ Teachable
➔ Empathize
➔ Do Your Best

During the Apex Fun Run program, students are challenged to get pledges for the laps they will run on Fun Run day (February 2) to help our school. Students will run for 30 minutes and will run an average of 26-36 laps around the Apex Raceway. The maximum amount of laps is 36, and each lap is 1/16th of a mile. Through Apex’s top-notch online pledging system, sponsors can pledge $1/lap, $2/lap, $5/lap, or any other amount for students and can pledge from anywhere in the world!

Thank you again for your continued support of Mountain View Elementary, and we are excited to begin the journey with you!

• All students will receive Apex wrist bands, an Apex t-shirt, and team awards
• All students will receive their own pledge kit with an individual access code that allows you to enter pledges online.
• Help volunteer for the fun run! We need a few parents to help mark laps and cheer on students!

Gail Miller, M.Ed.
Principal

Connie Wolford, M.Ed.
Assistant Principal

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.

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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.

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.

PTA Corner
1/11 - PTA General Meeting, 4:15 p.m. in the iExplore Lab **Please note the change in date; we are now meeting on Thursdays!

1/23 - APEX kick off assembly for students

2/1 - APEX Fun Run (volunteers needed)

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 3TV's 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!

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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.

Stay Connected - Visit our website!