Dear Mountain Lion Families,

We are extremely excited to share a few successes that have occurred over the past few weeks. Our Community STEAM Night was an interactive evening filled with a variety of learning activities. The students showed their creativity and skills through these activities. Our two Chief Science Officers (CSOs) with other student leaders, facilitated the Escape the Room, the Makerspace Playground, and demonstrations with robotics and coding. We want to thank all of our partners in supporting our STEAM initiative: our parents and community members, MCESA, Shadow Ridge High School Engineering Program, West Mec, and our school district.

The girls and boys basketball teams had a rewarding season and went to the semi-finals. We had a group of 8th grade students research and develop a STEAM Basketball Project that was showcased at the ASU Basketball game on March 1st. The students developed a robot that could make three shots in a row. The basketball and hoop parts were made with the 3D printer.

Help support School Safety Month at MVS. On March 14th, our students and staff will wear orange and write pledges on how they can support a safe school environment. We encourage you to take part and write a pledge too. All the pledges will be arranged on the hallway bulletin boards. As you know, child watch the actions of other people and learn from them. A few ways you can support safety at school is following the procedures the school and district step forth, be a positive partner with school personnel, and be active in your child’s life.

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

Upcoming Dates
3/1 - Spring Picture Day
3/2 - Read Across America Day
3/5- Club/Group/Sports Picture day
3/6-3/7 - 4th, 6th, 8th grade Benchmarks
3/7 - Kindergarten Showcase, 6:30-7:30
3/14 - Governing Board Meeting, 6pm @ District Office
3/16 - Field Day
3/19-3/23 - No School, Spring Break
3/28 - Governing Board Meeting, 6pm @ District Office

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 skateboards 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.
School Safety Pledge Card

Name:
Grade:

How will you promote a safe school environment?
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!

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.

Stay Connected - Visit our website!

PTA Corner
PTA General Meeting, 3/8/18, 4:15 pm in iExplore
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!