

DMCS eNewsletter September 17, 2020

Dear Parents-

The middle of September has past, and we have completed almost three full weeks of school. I am grateful for the team efforts I have seen as we navigate this challenge. There are still things that are hard, and I appreciate your patience.

The MDH released additional documents for school exclusion and daily home screening checks. These have been posted to the Covid page on our website for you to review. One of the challenges is when students show two or more uncommon symptoms or one common symptom, the guidance directs us to send the child and any siblings or family members home until the child receives an alternate diagnosis from a medical professional or a negative Covid test. If the child who exhibited symptoms receives an alternate diagnosis or a negative Covid test, siblings and family members can return. This is difficult, and I thank you for your patience in working through this with us. Allergies and cold season make it even more fun. If you are wondering what to do know that you can always call and talk through this with us. Together we will figure things out!

There is still time to register and get in on some valuable education with Dr. Jules Nolan. Please reserve your virtual spot by clicking the link below!

Stress and Anxiety in School-Aged Children

Even before COVID, anxiety had become the most commonly diagnosed issue in classrooms across this country. Given the stress of this time, of disrupted school and more pressure on families, we are seeing a rise in the stress and anxiety demonstrated by children. In this session, you will learn concrete strategies to help your children become more resilient to stress and to better endure normal anxious feelings. You will also find tips to differentiate “normal” stress and anxiety responses from more serious symptoms, how to intervene without interfering, and when to seek help.

September 21, 6:30 p.m.

September 29, 6:30 p.m.

[Click here to reserve your spot](#)

Next week we have scheduled school pictures on Tuesday for grades K-5 and Wednesday for preschool. We have scheduled time at the beginning 8:00-8:15 for online learners both days. Let your teacher know what works for you. Tuesday’s pictures will be in the main building in the library and Wednesday’s pictures will be in the MSB (preschool) building in the Muscle Room. Students may dress up for these pictures and be out of uniform for the day. You should have received and filled out a picture form. Please let your teacher know if you still need one. All students will have their photo taken whether you purchase pictures or not. This photo will be used for our school yearbook.

Next Friday, September 25th is Dress Code Reward Day. Students can be out of dress code and in choice attire that day. Please review the guidelines for dress down days with the dress code policy in the parent/student handbook. Thank you!

As we move into chilly fall weather, please send your child equipped to be outside. We will go out for recess unless the temperature or windchill is below zero. We will also go out in the snow. Dressing in layers is the best plan.

Blessings to you-

Mrs. Ashley

Every child is a Vision of Hope!

Student Pictures - September 22nd & 23rd! Mike Oldenberg from Oldenberg Photography will be at DMCS to take student pictures September 22nd & 23rd. ***Look for the picture order forms sent home today with each child!***

Students may wear **school appropriate** clothing of their choice on their picture day.

Tuesday, September 22nd - Gr. K-5

Wednesday, September 23rd - PreK & PreK Readiness





The world is my classroom, each day is a new lesson and every person I meet is my teacher.

~ Craig Harper

Included in this week's folder:

SPIRIT FEST - You're invited!

Family COVID Resource Event

Let's Play Hockey!

Dates to Remember



Sept. 22	K-5 Student Pictures
Sept. 23	PreK & K Readiness Student Pictures 8:30 Mass Gr. 4P Host
Sept. 25	Dress Code Reward Day
Sept. 30	8:30 Mass Gr. 3D Host

