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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- ✓ **P/T Conf**
Sign-up letter
in Backpacks
Thursday, Sept
27
- ✓ **WATCH**
DOGS Pizza
Launch Night
Thursday,
September 27
@ 6:00pm
- ✓ **Fire**
Prevention
Day, Tuesday,
October 9
- ✓ **No School**
Friday, October
12
- ✓ **Picture**
Retakes
Wednesday,
October 17
- ✓ **P/T**
Conferences
Thursday,
October 18
- ✓ **No School**
Friday, October
19

McLouth Elementary Expectations

- ✓ Respect yourself
- ✓ Respect others
- ✓ Respect your school

McLouth Elementary Mission Statement

"Together, we live in a community that promotes academic excellence, respect, lifelong learning, and responsible citizenship."

Notes from the Elementary Office

By Mr. Johnson, McLouth Elementary Principal

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Homecoming Parade: All McLouth Elementary students will attend the parade this Friday. We will walk to the downtown parade route and stand along the west side of the road. Following the parade we will return to our classrooms. The parade starts at 2:15

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone that has had the opportunity to eat together as a family and return their slip. If you haven't had the opportunity to eat together yet and want to return the slip you have until September 30.

The drawing will be the week of October 1.

Thank you for participating, but importantly of all—
Thank you for spending time with the most precious gift—your children!

Mrs. Feuerborn
Elementary Counselor

Menu

Daily Breakfast – Choose one of the following: Breakfast Pizza, Biscuits & Gravy, Waffles, Cereal, Breakfast Sandwich Breakfast starts at 7:45, doors close at 8:00				
Sept. 24	25	26	27	28
Lunch: Super Nachos	Lunch: Pulled Pork Sandwich	Lunch: Sweet N' Sour Chicken	Lunch: Italian Dunkers	Lunch: Crispito
*All meals include Fruit Bar, Hot Veggie Bar, Cold Veggie Bar, and Milk				

HALLOWEEN

Greeting Parents:

Halloween is quickly approaching and there are some costume guidelines that will help us have a fun school day and still allow for student learning.

- The costume must be school appropriate
- Costume weapons should be left at home
- Avoid gory costumes (promotes bloodshed or violence)
- The costume needs to be made so our little ones can still use the restroom
- The costume may be worn all day, so please be sure it will not be uncomfortable or distracting

When: Wednesday, October 31

What:

- Parade at 2:30 downtown, weather permitting
- Class parties app. 2:45 (will start following the parade)



BULLPUPS

Starts Monday, October 1

What is it?

Bullpups is an opportunity for our students to showcase themselves for one day out of the school year. It will start on **Monday, October 1 with our 5th grade class**. A schedule will be in backpacks and it will be posted on the newsletter.

What to do?

Students can bring items to school that best tell us who they are and what they like to do. Those items need to fit inside of our wall display case. As well they will get to sit at the Bullpups table with family and friends during lunch.

What to bring?

Most students bring favorite toys, athletic gear, and family pictures.

*All items are locked in a glass display case.

Things to Know

- **No weapons of any kind are allowed in the building, including fake/plastic**
- Please do not bring in soda or other sugary drinks. We have milk and water available.
- Remember it is sometimes difficult for our smallest students to carry large items on the bus or when walking home. If the items you are bringing for the display case are large, bulky, or heavy please have a way for them to carry them.

McLouth Elementary



Top Left Clockwise: learning rhythm with a variety of instruments – 5th grade made a pack to raise expectations – elementary students enjoyed time with the mascots at the cheer clinic assembly



Get Ready Dads!
 WATCH D.O.G.S. – Pizza Launch night is
 Thursday, September 27 @ 6:00



KESA

Kansas Education Systems Accreditation

Who? – All schools in Kansas

What is it? – A five year process dedicated to school improvement

What are we improving? – EVERYTHING!

- **Kindergarten Readiness** – preparing students and parents for early learning
- **Social, Emotional, Character Development(SECD)** – giving students the skills necessary to become responsible, accountable, empathetic adults
- **Bullying Policy** – working with all stakeholders to align a framework to help all students
- **Crisis Management**– working with local officials to evaluate and alter as needed our crisis plan to provide training and procedures to help keep our students safe
- **Individual Plan of Study(IPS)** – helping all Kansas students obtain a suitable vision of their path toward college and career readiness
- **Relationships** – working to improve communication and engagement with all stakeholders (students, parents and community members)
- **Relevance** – evaluating and adjusting academic content and instructional strategies that truly empower students and prepare them for life after school

How are we doing this?

- analyzing data from many sources including ACT scores, local assessment, parent and student surveys, graduation rates, post-secondary involvement, reading and math levels, and state assessments to name a few
- using this data to make adjustments for the purpose of improvement

Where are we in the process?

- As of August we are starting year two – goal development

What have we done so far?

- Created or reorganized our school site council, building and district leadership teams and created an OVT (outside visitation team)
- Selected Relationships and Relevance as our two focus areas based on a needs assessment
- Trained teachers in KESA, SECD, IPS and Kindergarten Readiness

What are we doing now?

- **Update:** Our first crisis drill will be coming up. Students and staff have met with administration to better understand the process
- **Update:** Focus on reading continues, the ELA department will meet to discuss any needs for resources for the 2019-20 school year
- **Update:** Initial screenings are completed. Students needing extra help with reading and math will be grouped into our MTSS program.



District Communication Guide

USD #342 uses several tools to proactively communicate with our patrons. The district has developed the communication guide below to assist in the delivery of information. For the latest and most accurate information about USD #342, visit the website at www.mclouth.org or download the district app for a mobile friendly version and notifications. The USD #342 homepage features current news, lunch menus, and the most accurate district calendar. The website also features a "Parent & Student" section with helpful information such as student forms, handbooks and PowerSchool information.

	DISTRICT WEBSITE www.mclouth.org	DISTRICT APP NOTIFICATIONS	SCHOOL MESSENGER	SOCIAL MEDIA Facebook, Twitter	POWERSCHOOL powerschool.mclouth.org	EMAIL UPDATES
School Emergencies	+	+	P			
School Closings	+	+	P			
Lunch Menu	P					
Lunch Balances			P		+	
School Calendar (Calendars are subject to change, please check district website for most up to date information)	P					
Event Cancellations/Reschedule	P	+		+		
Secondary Announcements	P			+		
Elementary Newsletter	P			+		+
Forms	P					
Student Handbooks	P					
Student Grades					P	
Student Attendance					P	

P = Primary method
+ = Additional methods, as applicable