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Issue 7



The Bulldog News

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- ✓ **Senior Citizen Luncheon**
Friday, Oct. 5
- ✓ **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
- ✓ **Book Fair Starts** Friday,
October 26
- ✓ **Halloween Parties & Parade 2:30**
Oct. 31.

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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WATCH D.O.G.S

Thanks to all of the dads that came out to our pizza launch night. It was really enjoyable seeing them with their kids and getting to talk with them. If you were unable to make the launch night and still wish to participate, please ask for an application. The training video can be sent via email.

Picture Orders: Orders are due Friday, October 5

Art Club T-Shirts: If you would like an Art Club T-Shirt please print the form below and return with fee. Orders are due this Wednesday, October 3. Please contact Mrs. Schreck with questions.

P/T Conferences: The format will be a traditional conference. Parents will receive grades, student data and classwork/behavior updates.

Bullpups

Oct. 1	2	3	4	5
Hallie Wright AJ Walker	Bladen Stone Addison Smith	Avery Pierson Antonio Ortiz	Landen Olson Allison Null	Alex Null Maison Norman

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				
Oct. 1	2	3	4	5
Lunch: Beef and Bean Burrito	Lunch: Stromboli Ham & Cheese	Lunch: BBQ Beef Sandwich	Lunch: Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	Lunch: Country Style Beef Sandwich
*All meals include Fruit Bar, Hot Veggie Bar, Cold Veggie Bar, and Milk				

McLouth Art Club T-Shirts

Support our Art Club students by purchasing and wearing their t-shirt!

Price - \$10.50

Student Price - \$8.50

Front Design:



Back Design:



Shirt Color Options:



HS-Maroon MS-Navy ES-Yellow

Adult Sizes:	Number of shirts:	Shirt Color Choice:	Total:
S			
M			
L			
XL			
XXL			
			Total:
Youth Sizes:	Number of shirts:	Shirt Color Choice:	Total:
XS			
S			
M			
L			
XL			
			Grand Total:

Your Name: _____

Contact Email or Phone: _____

Checks are addressed to McLouth USD 342, with Art Club on the memo. Cash payment must be exact cash. All orders are submitted to Mrs. Schreck or through the HS office.

ORDERS DUE: October 3, 2018



Top Left Clockwise: WATCH DOGS, Johnny Appleseed Day, Book Buddies, & 5th grade character building



If you still wish to participate please contact us for a form.



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/display, 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 students to carry them.

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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)



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:** We have successfully completed our first State Mandated Crisis Drill. Preparation for future drills are underway as well and dialog to improve future drills
- **Update:** The ELA dept has met and is beginning the process to replace current instructional resources
- **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 <i>Facebook, Twitter</i>	POWERSCHOOL powerschool.mclouth.org	EMAIL UPDATES
School Emergencies	+	+	P			
School Closings	+	+	P			
Lunch Menu	P					
Lunch Balances			P		+	
School Calendar (Calendars are subject to changes, please check district website for most up to date information)	P					
Event Cancellation/ 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