

Mustang Minute: October 26, 2018

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Make-up/ Retake School Picture Orders- Students brought home their Picture Proof Order form for the Make-up/Retake School Picture Day this week. Orders are due Tuesday the 30th. Orders can be made online or by returning the completed form with a check. Color Portraits will charge online orders made after the 30th with shipping and handling fees. Any questions or concerns please reach out to vboss@millburn24.net

Halloween Celebration: Halloween celebrations will occur on Wednesday, October 31 from 1:00-2:00PM. All students are allowed to wear costumes during the celebrations. Costumes should not have weapons associated with them and we would appreciate no makeup because we don't want students wearing it all day long. Students must bring their costumes in and not wear them to school. They will change into them before the parties. Costumes need to be easily put on and not require a lot of help from an adult.

******Students are not to bring in "goodie" bags OR food items for their class. Our celebrations are food free due to the many allergies we have in the building. We need to be considerate of those health issues. Although goodie bags can be non-edible, our PTO provides all of our materials for students for our celebrations. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.**

Student Council Information:

Food Drive: Give a "treat" to those less fortunate by donating canned goods or non-perishable items during the week of Oct. 29th - Nov.2nd. All items will be dropped off at our local food pantries to help support those in need. Thank you for all your support!

Operation Gratitude: Too much leftover Halloween candy? Student council will be collecting your extra candy for our military troops beginning Thursday, Nov. 1st through Wednesday, Nov. 7th. By donating your candy, deployed troops, veterans, and first responders are able to receive these sweet treats in goodie bags.

PBIS PARTY Day: Friday, November 2nd is our first PBIS PARTY (Do your PART) day. We are seeing a significant drop in minors and majors this year compared to last year and we have been impressed with all of our Mustangs for DOING THEIR PART. Each grade level is organizing fun activities for their students for PARTY Day. As you know, we also want to focus our attention not just on the negative aspects, but the positive ones too. At this point, our staff has given out over 25,000 ACKs (short for Acknowledgements) to students. Students will be able to use their ACKs to redeem incentives in our Mustang Market. I placed a picture of store items in the Virtual Backpack. You will also see how many ACKs they need to redeem the incentives.

We will do another PARTY day in January and look forward to seeing our students continue to make positive choices.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Conferences are coming up on November 19th and 20th from 12-7PM. This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress in school and ask any question to better understand their learning.

We will, again, be using Sign-Up Genius for you to sign up to meet with your child's homeroom teacher. You will be sent information from the homeroom teacher on how to pick a time. These will be 20 min conferences. The last conference time to sign up for will be at 6:40 PM on both Monday the 19th and Tuesday the 20th. Teachers will send you information on Friday, November 2nd to sign up.

5 Essential Survey: Millburn would once again like to hear from parents. The 5 Essential Survey helps us understand areas of strength in our district, and areas that may need to be improved. The past survey data from teachers, parents, and students have helped shape our decisions and priorities in the past. Thank you for taking the time to fill this out. It should take about 10 minutes and you are able to access it via your smart device. The link is below. If the link does not work, please copy the following address into your browser: <https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois>

Yearbooks: ORDER YOUR 2018-2019 YEARBOOK TODAY!! This year is going to be great and a MES Yearbook is a perfect way to remember your friends, classmates, and fun times. Why wait until the last minute to get your yearbook. Order now and get your yearbook for an all time low of \$12.25. The prices will increase soon, so don't wait. Get your orders in now. Yearbooks will be delivered to students before school lets out in June. Please find ordering information in the Virtual Backpack.

PTO News

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Millburn Kids Resale: THANK YOU to all of the SELLERS & VOLUNTEERS that helped with the Fall Resale. We are counting tags as we speak. We will let you know when we are finished.

Please **SAVE THE DATE** for the SPRING SALE
APRIL 12th & 13th 2019

Activity Night: The 1st Middle School Activity Night of the year is **TODAY** Friday, **October 26th**. The theme for the night is **PJ Party**. Students may choose to dress for the theme by wearing their most creative interpretation of the theme. This is a chance for them to be creative, however, please adhere to the dress code regarding short/skirt length, no masks, and no showing of any undergarments. Failure to abide by these rules will result in the student being asked to return home to change. There will be a **DJ & NITRO BALL!!!!**

THE DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURE IS VERY IMPORTANT!

DROP OFF

6th grade-6pm, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade-6:30 pm, MAIN entrance

PICK UP

6th grade-8:30pm, MAIN entrance

7th/8th grade-9:00pm ACTIVITY entrance

For PICK UP, please pull in and find a parking spot. You can meet your child at the canopy area. You can also use the pick up late, but if everyone does this, the line of traffic will stretch out to Route 45! **No students will be allowed to walk or ride a bike home.**

Admission to the event is \$2.00. Drinks, candy and pizza will be available for purchase.

All students attending MUST have a current student ID to show at the door. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE. Students CANNOT go to their lockers to retrieve forgotten ID's, as the hallway doors are locked. Also, all students must have a permission slip to attend Activity Night on file. If you need to leave before the Activity Night is over, YOUR parent must sign you out!

The rules are NOT negotiable!

World's Finest Chocolate- Do you ever buy chocolate for someone for the holidays? Do you know a chocolate lover? Maybe you? We have the perfect chocolate for you and you don't have to go to the store and fight the crowds or search online for the perfect gift and price . . . Plus there is NO SHIPPING and NO TAX.

Our World's Finest Chocolate sale begins on Monday October 29th and runs through Friday November 9th. Envelopes were sent home this week.

Any questions please contact us at worldsfinestchocolate@millburnpto.com

SpiritWear - Winter Online sale (delivery before the holidays) - Dare I say it... the cold weather and Winter is on the way so we have some great Millburn items to warm you up! Check out our website to place your orders today! Orders will be accepted through November 21st. Visit www.milburnpto.com to place your order! We have logo specific items for the middle school as well as the elementary school for this specific sale. So, show your school spirit and wear your Millburn Pride throughout the year! Any questions? Contact us: spiritwear@millburnpto.com

Family Fun Night: Friday, November 9th; 6pm - 8pm at Millburn Elementary School - Cafeteria. We are so excited to announce our first PTO Family Fun Night of the school year will be crafts, various fun activities and a magic show where kids can learn to do the tricks! Magic tricks and dinner will be available for **pre-orders - due 11/5/18**. We also have a number of volunteer opportunities available for this event for parents and students at www.milburnpto.com. This is a great opportunity for middle school and older students to get their service hours, if needed. Feel free to sign up on our volunteer site as we would love to have you help! Any questions? Contact us: familyfunnight@millbutnpto.com

If I can be of any assistance or if you have questions, please contact me at bwalshire@millburn24.net or (847) 356-8331.

Mr. Ben Walshire
Millburn Elementary Principal

October

31st- Halloween Celebrations

November

2nd-PBIS PARTY Day

7th- Early Release @ 1:00PM

12th- Veteran's Day Assembly

13th- Trimester 1 End

15th- Report Cards Go Home

19th and 20th- Half Day, Dismissal at 11 AM, Parent/ Teacher Conferences 12-7PM

Link to [Parent Calendar](#)

Virtual Backpack- [LINK](#)
Antioch Fine Arts