

Cougar Catch: April 15th, 2016

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**Honor Roll Lists** 

Book Drive at MMS – Sponsored by Warren FBLA April 18-29th Millburn School and Community Garden: Order Form, Plant Description Illinois Science Assessment FAQ

Carmel High School Summer Camps: Academic, Athletic, H.S Credit 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Springfield Required Medical, End of Year Events, Springfield Permission and Money Collection, Farewell Celebration, etc.

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**Rolling Thunder Summer Camps** 

Lakes High School Summer camps and Girls Basketball

## MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITY NIGHT - FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Join us this Friday at Millburn Middle School for "Awesome 80s"!

6<sup>th</sup> grade – 6 to 8:30 p.m.

 $7^{\text{th}}$ -8<sup>th</sup> grade – 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

\$2 and your student ID

Guidelines for the event:

• Students may choose to dress for the theme by wearing face paint and/or hair paint.

Masks can be worn, but cannot cover more than ½ of the face. This is a chance for them to be creative, however, please adhere to the dress code regarding short/skirt length, and no showing of any undergarments. Failure to abide by these rules will result in the student being asked to return home to change.

- DROP OFF: Please drop off the 6th graders at 6pm to the MAIN entrance. The 7th & 8th graders at 6:30pm to the MAIN Entrance.
- PICK UP: Please pick up the 6th graders at 8:30pm from the MAIN entrance. The 7th & 8th graders 9:00pm from the 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 pickup lane but if everyone does this, the line of traffic will stretch out to ROUTE 45. No student will be allowed to walk or ride a bike home.
- 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 will not be allowed to go to their lockers to
  retrieve forgotten ID's, as the hallway doors are locked. If you need to leave
  before the Activity Night is over, a parent must sign out their student. Student IDs
  or temporary IDs will be issued prior to the event during school hours.
- All students MUST have a signed permission slip on file with the office. Additional forms will be available at the door for student/parent signatures. There will be no admittance without the signed document.

Interested in volunteering? Contact Tracy Dwyer at tudwyer@comcast.net.

**Honor Roll:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter honor roll lists are complete and posted in the virtual backpack. Congratulations to all of these students!

**Illinois Principal Association Student Recognition:** On Wednesday of this week, IPA recognized two 8<sup>th</sup> grade students for having high standards in character, schoolwork and community involvement. Congratulations to Hannah Shubin and Andrew Collins on being recognized and representing Millburn Middle School!

**Student Council Fundraiser:** Recently, we hosted a fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society through our Penny Wars. This event was organized by our Student Council members. The winning homerooms will get breakfast items during homeroom at a later date. The winning homerooms are Mrs. McGill and Mrs. Jacobs.

**PARCC:** We only have two more testing days next week followed by make-ups for any students that missed a test. All middle school students **should bring earbuds or headphones, pencils, and a book to read** with them to the testing session each day.

## From the Health Office:

6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Dental form reminder letters were given to students who have not yet turned them in. They are due on or before May 15th.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Don't overlook the Springfield Medical Form. This has to be completed and turned in by each student. Any child that is taking over-the-counter medicine or prescription medicine MUST have a doctor's signature. Do not delay in getting doctor signatures on this form. All 8<sup>th</sup> grade forms are in the virtual backpack.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Invite to Millburn Middle School: Attention all 5th grade parents and students!! On Tuesday, May 3rd, you are invited to come to the Middle School to see the building, meet some of the teachers, and find out about a few things that will be happening next year when you are a 6th grader. The program starts at 6:30 pm and will last about an hour. We would love to see all of you that night if possible. The PTO Bookfair will be open! Any questions, please contact Mrs. Jacobs. (sjacobs@millburn24.net)

Millburn School and Community Garden: Gardening season is right around the corner, and Millburn 4th graders, teachers, and farmers at Tempel Farms Organics have been hard at work preparing for our Annual Organic Plant Sale. More varieties than ever are being offered this year! Our Plant Sale will take place May 21st from 9am-1pm at MES. Reserve your plants by ordering via the pink form in your child's backpack, and pick them up at the sale. Extra forms and plant descriptions may be found in the Virtual Backpack. *Orders are due April 26th.* As always, we will have many additional plants available for purchase at the Plant Sale. Quantities of some items will be limited, so the best bet for your "must haves" is to use the order form. ALL PLANTS ARE ORGANIC. All proceeds go to the Millburn School and Community Garden.

**Lakes High School's Art Festival:** This event will also showcase many of our student's work. This event is scheduled for Friday, April  $29^{th}$  from 7:00 - 9:00pm. Plan ahead so you do not miss this wonderful art show with such talented students.

Illinois Science Assessment (ISA)- The state will begin a new science assessment, administered to students in 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Information about this assessment has been vague over the last several months, but the state is following through with having schools give the tests to students. Testing will begin in May for our 8<sup>th</sup> graders and will involve one 55 min test, which covers areas aligned to the Illinois Science Standards. I have included "Frequently Asked Questions on the ISA" from the Illinois State Board of Education in the virtual backpack.

More information on this new assessment can be found at http://www.isbe.net/assessment/isa.htm

PTO NEWS!!

MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT!! WE STILL NEED FOUR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP AT THIS LAST ACTIVITY NIGHT OF THE YEAR! Contact Tracy Dwyer at <a href="mailto:tudwyer@comcast.net">tudwyer@comcast.net</a>.

Please join us for AWESOME 80's at MMS, Friday, April 15th.

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being asked to return home to change.

THE DROP OFF/PICK UP PROCEDURE IS VERY IMPORTANT!

DROP OFF 6<sup>th</sup> grade- 6pm, MAIN entrance 7th/8<sup>th</sup> grade- 6:30pm, MAIN entrance

PICK UP 6<sup>th</sup> grade- 8:30, MAIN entrance 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade- 9:00 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 pickup lane but if everyone does this, the line of traffic will stretch out to ROUTE 45! No student 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. If you need to leave before the Activity Night is over, YOUR parent must sign you out!

These rules are NOT negotiable! Interested in volunteering? Contact Tracy Dwyer at <a href="mailto:tudwyer@comcast.net">tudwyer@comcast.net</a>.

MILLBURN FAMILY FUN NIGHT!! MES PTO Family Fun Night committee will be hosting the Family Fun Night Olive Garden Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, May 6 from 6 to 8 pm in the MES cafeteria. Watch for the order forms coming home with your child and in the Virtual Backpack. Come join us for a night of food and fun! Treat your mom to an early Mother's Day night out with dinner and a chance to win her flowers in a raffle! Bring your favorite game to play with family and friends! Tickets sold in advance only; payment is due Friday, April 29. No tickets will be sold at the door. Hope to see you there!

<u>MILLBURN FAMILY FUN RUN!!</u> Thank you to all of the runners, volunteers and sponsors who came out to participate in the 4th Annual Millburn Fun Run on Saturday, April 9th. We had a good time and turn out despite the cold temps and raised over \$2000 for playground upgrades. Congrats to our Fun Run winners - Fastest Girl: Brooke Sturt, Fastest Boy: Ramon Perez and Best Millburn Spirit: The Haley Family.

We appreciate the support of our corporate sponsors: Goshgarian Orthodontics, FitNation, The Therapy Tree, Anita Spisak - @ Properties and Butera Market.

Upcoming Events: MMS Activity Night 4/15, Box Tops Due 5/2

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