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#### From the Principal....

Our Mustangs on the Move fundraiser is kicking off! Be on the look out for an Eblast and a hard copy packet that was sent home today with all of the information in it. This is our one big fundraiser that we do each year. Please help support this event if you can. 100% of the money that is donated is used to pay for field trips and fun events throughout the school year. Mustangs on the Move will take place at school on Friday, October 13! Parents are welcome to attend and watch or volunteer to help! If you are interested in volunteering to help at this event, please let me know! There is a Signup Genius on our Facebook page for this as well. Mustangs on the Move is a walkathon, so we will be outside on the playground running laps, having fun, and raising money for our school! I also want to thank all of our Mustangs on the Move Committee who have worked diligently to pull this event off. We could not do this without the MANY hours of planning they put into this event.

Next week is the last week of the month which means it will be the first time our Mustang Market will be open. Students have been earning Mustang Moments (token economy) since the first day of school. They will be able to spend these at the market on toys, trinkets, and all sorts of goodies. It is a great way for kids to cash in their Mustang Moments and reward themselves for their positive behavior.

Mark it on your calendars—Friday, October 6, is the first Friday of the month, which means it is Make Your Mark T-shirt Day, and it is Ice Cream Day. Make Your Mark t-shirts are available for \$10 in the office! If students would like to purchase an ice cream treat, send them to school with \$1 and they can get one after they eat their lunch. Students love Ice Cream Fridays!

We are nearly done with our benchmark testing. Acadience was completed last week and we have a few more students still finishing NWEA MAP testing. Teachers use this data to drive and inform their instruction. You will also be able to discuss this testing with your child's teacher during Parent/Teacher Conferences coming up in October.

Our Student Council is underway! Students in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade get a chance to participate in this. This week students did their speeches in front of their classmates. Next week is campaign week! I'm looking forward to seeing all of their amazing campaign posters. Once we get this group established, we will meet once or twice a month to do fun things to support our school. They will also get to help out with the blood drive, the Food Fight to support FROM, and many other fun activities.

We have had a wonderful week at MLE. I feel honored to be a part of this amazing school community. I continuously see students "making their mark" in all areas of the school. Have a great weekend! I hope to see many of you at the game tonight. Go PINK Arrows!!!

Molly Burnett, Principal

Student Council Speeches this week!









### Upcoming Events:

Monday, September 25

Breuker to WWC, 9:15-1:15

Friday, September 29

Picture Day (see flyer attached) Mustang Market

## ENTER TO WIN

# Directory Cover Contest

Students, we need your creative talents to help design a cover! Please turn into the office with your name on the back. Deadline is October 6.





Mustangs on the Move Prizes! Bring on the fundraising, MLE!

#### Picture Day is Friday, 9/29/23!

-no payment required day of-

Retake Day will still be 11/2/23

Information regarding student activities and community events can be found under Extracurricular Activities on the Murray Lake Elementary website at:

www.lowellschools.com/student-activities/