Daily Attendance Rate Goal: 93%

Current All School Daily Attendance Rate: 92.44% Current Grade Level Leader: 5th Grade 93.41%

Color Run Fundraiser...Hits OVER \$17K!!!

I don't know why I am even surprised at this point, but this community once again shows up in a HUGE way for our school. I check the total raised and every time I think it's going to hit a plateau the total goes up more. On behalf of the parent club, staff and students we are so thankful for the support. I am also happy to report that 22 staff members have volunteered to take a pie in the face by those students who reach \$200 raised. This has really been a community effort and I am excited to see how high we can reach with money raised. This is all going to make April 5th a really fun day!

Have a great weekend!

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Facebook: Meramec Heights Elementary

Official Meramec Spirit Wear Store:

https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/MO/Arnold/Meramec%20Heights%20Elementary%20School

Important Dates:

March 11th: Grades 3rd, 4th and Choir at 5:40pm and 6:30pm at Rickman

March 12th: Parent Club Meeting at 6:00pm

March 13th: Papa John's Day March 15th: End of Third Quarter March 16th: All District Choir

March 18th-22nd: Spring Book Fair March 21st: Book Fair Family Night March 23rd-March 31st: Spring Break

April 1st: Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences

April 2nd: No School for Students

April 5th: COLOR RUN! April 12th: Spring Pictures

April 18th: Student Leadership Meeting April 30th: Parent Club Meeting at 6:00pm May 6th-10th: Teacher Appreciation Week May 8th: 3rd Grade Musical Field Trip May 9th: Graduating Senior Walk Through

May 10th: 5th Grade Middle School Transition Day

May 13th: District Track Meet

May 15th: District Track Meet Rain Date May 16th: Field Day for Grades K-2 May 17th: Field Day for Grades 3-5 May 20th: Spring Fling

May 21st: 5th Grade Field Trip to Junior Achievement

May 24th: Last Day School

Kindergarten Registration: Kindergarten registration is NOW OPEN for the 2024-2025 school year! Once the student is fully registered they will receive a FREE MERAMEC TSHIRT! We are very excited to welcome a new group of students to our Meramec family and community. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact our office at 636-296-4385. PLEASE visit this link to begin the online registration process:

https://www.foxc6.org/site/default.aspx?PageType=3&DomainID=4&ModuleInstanceID=33&ViewID=6446EE88-D30C-497E-9316-3F8874B3E108&RenderLoc=0&FlexDataID=3966&PageID=1

Book Fair: The spring book fair will be at The Mac March 18th-22nd. Please note on the calendar that Family Night is March 21st from 4:00-8:00pm. We look forward to having a packed library that night! Please see the flyer for more details. Click here for eWallet information: https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/meramecheightselemschool

Music Programs:

Monday, March 11, 2024 Music Our Schools Month Program 5:40 PM Third Grade "From The Inside Out" 6:30 PM Fourth Grade "Make A Difference" *Choir performs pre-show at 6:30 PM

Saturday, March 16, 2024 All-District Elementary Choir 2:00 PM Concert @ Rickman Auditorium

MIOSM Music Program: You are invited to attend Meramec Heights Elementary's Music In Our Schools Month (MIOSM) Program on Monday, March 11, 2024 at Rickman Auditorium at 747 Jeffco Blvd, Arnold, Missouri. The evening will feature multiple performances with the house doors opening at 5:25 PM. The third grade students will present the musical *From The Inside Out* at 5:40 PM. The fourth grade students will present the musical *Make A Difference* at 6:30 PM. Choir students will perform as a pre-show act at the 6:30 PM concert. Each show will last approximately 30 minutes. Please bring a canned food item for admission to benefit the Arnold Food Pantry. The students are encouraged to wear their class shirts or Meramec spirit wear (or a similar color tshirt) for this event. https://bit.ly/MeramecMIOSM03112024

All-District Elementary Choir: Congratulations to the following students who will be representing Meramec Heights Elementary School at the Fox C-6 All-District Elementary Choir on March 16, 2024: Amelia Burkemper, Tess Calhoun, Makinley Davis, Gwen Ellison, Allyson Fraley, Sylvia Horning, Roslyn Hunsaker, Leanna Myers, Jaden Politte, London Ross, Lillian Sullins, and Audrey Tichenor. A public performance will be held at 2:00 PM at Rickman Auditorium in Arnold, Missouri. Held in celebration of national music in our schools month, this concert will feature twelve student representatives from each elementary school and their music teachers. This concert features Lauren Romano of Antonia Middle School as the guest clinician, Kevin Nicoletti of Opera Theater of Saint Louis as the guest composer, and the collective musical talents of the elementary music team. Admission to the concert is a canned or boxed food item to benefit the Arnold Food Pantry in partnership with the Fox and Seckman

High School Tri-M Music Honor Society chapters to raise awareness for food insecurity in the community. The Fox C-6 School District has been recognized by the NAMM Foundation for the 2023 "Best Communities For Music Education" award. We look forward to celebrating national music in our schools month through musical song with the Fox C-6 School community! https://bit.lv/All-DistrictElementaryChoir2024flyer

Color Run: We are excited to announce that Meramec Heights will be hosting a Color Run Fundraiser for our community. The kick off for the event will be on February 26th with an assembly and the fundraising will begin. This will culminate in a fun color run on Friday, April 5th.

Egg My Yard: Local scout troops have set a fundraiser up for Easter. Please see the attached flyer about how you can have them egg your yard for the holiday.

Therapeutic Summer Camps: For students who could benefit from therapeutic summer camps please review the attached flyer.

Counselor Monthly Newsletter: Please see the attached newsletter from our counselor Mrs. Randall.

Building Blocks: Fox School District's preschool program is coming to Meramec for the 2024-2025 school year. This amazing and affordable program is a great way to help your 3-5 year old prepare for kindergarten. Registration opens to the public on April 1st and typically sells out in 20 minutes. Please visit this link for more details and information: **BUILDING BLOCKS**

FREE & Reduced Lunch Form: It's extremely important that ALL families fill out the Free and Reduced Application. Last year our building made it a goal to have 80% of the families to complete the application whether they believe they will qualify or not, and we met that goal so every student received a Kona Ice snow cone. That will once again be our goal for the upcoming school year. ALL FAMILIES can complete the application online in Infinite Campus when they follow these steps:

Steps to complete the application through Infinite Campus

- Log into Infinite Campus
- Select "More" from the menu on the left side of the screen
- Select "Meals Benefits"
- Select "Meal Benefits Application"
- Complete the 12 steps and submit all required information