

**Daily Attendance Rate Goal: 93%**  
**Current All School Daily Attendance Rate: 92.15%**  
**Current Grade Level Leader: 5th Grade 93.35%**

### **Spring Fever is in the Air**

I think the months of February and March got their weather mixed up this year, but nevertheless the students are getting a bit restless as we inch closer to spring break. Our kiddos have worked extremely hard since returning after Christmas Break along with the teachers. During the past two weeks we have been doing our best to remind the students of the expected behaviors throughout the building and the Warrior Way. I know the kiddos have had a lot of time inside with the recent weather and they are a bit stir crazy, but we still have high expectations when it comes to behavior. One of the things I value is the team aspect of supporting our students. It takes the family at home and the staff at school to convey expectations of behavior and learning so the students hear a consistent message. I really appreciate each family taking time out of their weekend to discuss expectations for behavior before students return to school on Monday. I think this team aspect can help the students see that we are working together and have common expectations for their behavior. The staff and I greatly appreciate the support you provide and look forward to having a great week when we return next week.

Have a great weekend!

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Meramec Prop P Project: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FnqNnR6ij-0>

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#### **Important Dates:**

March 17th: 3rd Quarter Ends  
March 19th: Father/Daughter Dance 4:00-7:00pm at Andre's  
March 22nd-April 5th: Spring Food Drive  
March 24th: Spring Picture Day  
March 25th: All District Elementary Choir at 2:00pm at Rickman Auditorium  
March 27th-31st: Book Fair Preview  
March 30th: Book Fair Family Night from 4:00-8:00pm  
April 3rd: No School for Parent/Teacher Conferences  
April 4th: No School  
April 6th Student Leadership Meeting at 8:00am  
April 8th-16th: Spring Break

April 17th-May 12th: MAP Testing  
April 26th: Kindergarten Field Trip  
May 8th: District Track Meet at 5:00pm at Seckman High School  
May 9th: Fine Arts Night at Rickman for Kdg and 1st Grade  
May 10th: Rain Date Make Up for District Track Meet  
May 11th: Student Leadership Meeting at 8:00am  
May 12th: 5th Grade Transition Day to Ridgewood  
May 15th: 5th Grade Field Trip to JA Biztown  
May 15th: 3rd Grade Field Trip to Arch  
May 16th: 3rd Grade Trip to Firehouse  
May 16th: Kdg-2nd Field Day  
May 17th: 3rd-5th Field Day  
May 22nd: Fine Arts Night 2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade at Rickman Auditorium  
May 23rd: Spring Fling  
May 26th: Last Day of School

**Kindergarten Registration: FREE TSHIRT** after all registration is completed. Registration is NOW OPEN ONLINE for any student that will be attending Meramec for kindergarten in the 2023-2024 school year. Here is the link to register: [CLICK HERE](#)

1. Birth Certificate
2. Shot Record
3. 2 Proofs of Residency

Please see the attached flyer and share on social media so we can get the word out.

**Spring Pictures:** Spring pictures are Friday, March 24th. The form attached provides information on how to order online.

**Spring Book Fair:** We are excited to present our spring book fair in the coming weeks. Students will be previewing the book fair the week of March 20th and then will be able to purchase the week of March 27th. Book Fair Family Night is March 30th from 4:00-8:00pm. Please visit the attached link for more information and review the attached flyer. Link: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/meramecheightselemschool>  
Flyer:

**Spring Food Drive:** From March 22nd - April 5th Meramec will be hosting a Spring Food Drive that will benefit Brenden's Backpack Program. Attached is a flyer that lists specific items that our school is looking to collect.

**All District Choir:** Congratulations to the following Meramec students for being invited to attend the Fox C-6 Schools All-District Elementary Choir on Saturday, March 25, 2023: Amelia Burkemper, Ruthie Calhoun, Kinsley Cook, Cooper Cradic, Paige Gilchrist, Reece Heimgartner, Ava Lee, Jackson McCrutchen, Leanna Myers, London Ross, Devin Snow, and Spencer Ruck. A public performance will be held at 2:00 PM at Rickman Auditorium in Arnold, Missouri. Please bring a canned food or boxed cereal item to donate to the Arnold Food Pantry for admission.

**Ridgewood Lock-in:** 5th graders headed to Ridgewood for middle school is invited to a special lock-in on Thursday, March 30th. Please see the attached flyer on how much the event will cost and other details.

**Counselor's Update:** Please see a monthly newsletter from our counselor Mrs. Randall.