



MASTERS NEWS

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Omaha Education Week in the Omaha Public Schools is September 16th - 20th. To celebrate, you are invited to visit your child(ren)'s school during Open House. Masters' Open House for all students is Monday, September 16th, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. During this time, parents will have an opportunity to visit their child(ren)'s classroom, meet the teachers, tour the school, visit the PATT, Boy Scout and Good News Club tables, sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences and much more. Bring the family and see what wonderful things we've been doing at Masters! We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Lynnette Keyes
Principal

ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

September has been designated nationally as Attendance Awareness Month. Students are more willing to attend school on a regular basis when they feel safe, connected to the school, supported and engaged in classrooms. You may not realize even excused absences can add up and can lead to valuable minutes of instruction lost, or falling behind in the classroom. Look for the Monarch Attendance Wall of Fame coming soon!

NED MINDSET MISSION

On Monday, September 16th, NED's Mindset Mission, an interactive, all-school positive mindset performance of storytelling, puppetry, illusions and yoyo tricks, will come to Masters Elementary to teach students the valuable lessons of *Never Giving Up, Encouraging Others* and always *Doing Your Best*. This program also includes an opportunity for students to purchase yoyos as a reminder of NED's message. Yoyos will be on sale Monday, September 16th - Friday, September 20th, daily from 3:30 - 4:00 in the front entryway. See today's NED flyer in your child(ren)'s backpack for additional information.



NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on Friday, September 20th, due to Curriculum Day and Monday, September 23rd, due to Professional Development/Teacher Planning Day. Enjoy the time off with your child(ren)!

QUARTERLY PROGRESS

Progress Reports will go home with students in grades 3, 4 and 5 on Tuesday, September 24th. Please watch for these reports, as they will let you know how your child is doing midway through the first quarter.

PICTURE DAY

Masters' Picture Day, with Scholastic Photography, will be Wednesday, September 25th. Picture envelopes will be sent home with students next week. If you plan to order, please complete an envelope for **each child** and return it to school, with payment included, no later than Tuesday, September 24th. All students will be photographed for school records. If an order envelope and payment are not presented on or before picture day, you may still order pictures up to one day after picture day by ordering online at www.schphoto.net and using your school passcode which is shown on the picture flyer order forms or by calling the Scholastic Photography office at (402) 342-6599.

CALENDAR

- 9/16 NED Mindset Mission Assembly
- 9/16 Open House 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- 9/20 No School Curriculum Day
- 9/23 No School Professional Development/Teacher Planning Day
- 9/25 Picture Day
- 9/27 First Grade Field Trip Rose Theater
- 9/27 PATT Fundraiser Kick-Off
- 10/3 PATT Meeting (Parents And Teachers Together) 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.



MEAL APPLICATIONS

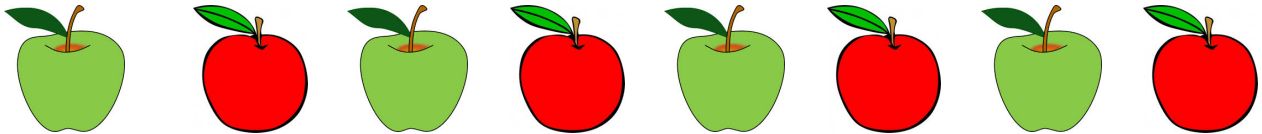
Meal Applications from the 2018 - 2019 school year will expire on September 27, 2019. A new application must be submitted and approved for the 2019 - 2020 school year. Meal applications may be completed online at www.district.ops.org/DEPARTMENTS/DistrictOperationalServices/NutritionServices.aspx or you may pick one up in the school office.



ALICE BUFFETT OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD

The Alice Buffett Outstanding Teacher Award recognizes the achievements of skilled and dedicated educators in the Omaha Public Schools (OPS). Given to 15 teachers annually, the Award has recognized and rewarded nearly 300 teachers over the past two decades. Any Omaha Public Schools teacher or counselor (Pre-K through Grade 12), with a minimum of two years experience, is eligible for nomination.

Submit a nomination today! Nominations are due by January 15th, 2020 and may be submitted by students (current and former), parents, other teachers, administrators, and the general public. The online form is available at www.BuffettOutstandingTeachers.org.



MODEL MONARCHS

As part of our MTSS-B plan, Model Monarch tickets are given out to students who display respect, responsibility and learning behaviors throughout the school day. When students are recognized for Model Monarch behavior in the classroom or receive a Model Monarch ticket in the common areas, they get to put their ticket into a weekly Friday drawing to receive a prize. Model Monarchs for the last two weeks are: Grayson, Juliana, Hadleigh, Keoni, Laurel, Ca'Lazion, Avary, Myka, Tristan, Gabe, Peyton, Zai, Amethyst, Corben, Cyriah, Elizeth, Noah, Terrence, Ari, Isaiah, Bryant, Roger, Anthony, Addan, Zaiden, Ivana, Dean, Xadyn, Gabe, Raymond, Kaleb, Kason, Azaina, Marie, Gabe, Kash, Andrew, Anthony, Aaliyah, Cyrus, Deion, Dariah, Pedro, Kue Kue, Max, Angela, Ty'Shawn, Evan, JaMaurion and Abdullah. Congratulations to all!



HY-VEE RECEIPTS

We are again participating in Hy-Vee's "Cash For Students" program this year. Beginning September 1st and continuing through December 31st, we will be collecting Hy-Vee receipts at school. Place your receipts in the "Hy-Vee Receipts" envelopes located in your child(ren)'s classroom. Please talk with your friends and neighbors and have them save their receipts for us. Our school receives \$1.00 for every \$200.00 spent.

COKE REWARDS FOR SCHOOLS

My Coke Rewards is a program in which schools can collect points for cash. Points are earned by entering codes found on packages from any participating Coca-Cola product. To donate:

1. Register to become a member at www.mycokerewards.com.
2. Look for codes on specially marked packages of your favorite Coca-Cola products.
3. Enter codes and collect points at mycokerewards.com, then select Masters Elementary to donate your points.



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