



# Meadowthorpe Messenger

October 2021

Mission: **Meadowthorpe** exists to create a community that **works together** to ensure all students **achieve** at high levels and are prepared for lifelong **success**.

## Calendar Changes for Thanksgiving Week

Dr. Liggins recently announced that he made the decision to extend Thanksgiving Break by two days, giving staff & students the full week of Thanksgiving off, instead of only Wednesday – Friday. This means that the last day of school before Thanksgiving break will be Friday, November 19th and we will return to school on Monday, November 29th.

## Upcoming Events

- Oct. 15th- Hard Work Cafe'
- Oct. 19th- SBDM and Picture Orders Due
- Oct. 25th- Report Cards Sent Home
- Oct. 25th-29th- Red Ribbon Week
- Nov. 3-Election Day-No School
- Nov. 5 – Spirit Day
- Nov. 11 – Make Up Picture Day

## Book Character Day - October 29<sup>th</sup>

In celebration of reading and in conjunction with Red Ribbon Week, MES will have Book Character Day on Friday, October 29. Students may come to school dressed as their favorite book character.

Guidelines for book character day are as follows:

- Students should bring a copy of the book their character is from to school that day. Characters/costumes must be from elementary age appropriate books.
- Costumes may not involve blood or other horror type elements.
- Color in the hair, face paint, and hats may be worn; however, masks will not be allowed.
- Costumes may not be revealing in nature ... may not be see through material, low cut, or tight fitting. Tights and leotards are acceptable if covered with tutu, skirt, or shorts.
- Costume must allow students to take care of personal needs, sit in desks, and participate in school and classroom activities throughout the day.
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## Red Ribbon Week Red

This is a week that celebrates saying no to drugs and encourages students to make good choices. Below are the activities for this week.

10/25 -Monday: Red Ribbon Week **Kickoff "Proud to be Drug Free!"** Students will wear red.

10/26 - Tuesday: **"Sock it to bad choices!"** – Wear crazy socks.

10/27 -Wednesday: **"Team up against drugs!"** Wear your favorite sports shirt or jersey.

10/28 - Thursday: **"Follow your dreams!"** Wear your pajamas.

10/29 - Friday: **"We have Character!"** Dress up as your favorite book character.

## IMPORTANT

*All students infected with COVID-19 must report their diagnosis to the their school and/or FCPS within 24 hours of being diagnosed (per a new Emergency State Mandate).*

**There are 3 ways you can report a COVID-19 diagnosis:**

- Call 859-381-FCPS (859-381-3277)
- Email covid19@fayette.kyschools.us
- Fill out a report at [www.fcps.net/covid19](http://www.fcps.net/covid19)

*Please continue to help us keep our school and students safe.*

*Thank you for everything.*

## Bus Changes & MES Impact

FCPS will be implementing a pre-announced schedule of bus service reductions. The bus cancellations listed below are for the entire week that is listed. Please make other transportation arrangements on the week your bus is cancelled. Details are also available at [www.fcps.net/busrelief](http://www.fcps.net/busrelief).

Specific Changes to MES Bus Schedule are as follows: October 18-22 **PM Route** – No Bus #13



## Summative Assessment Results

The state department released Kentucky Summative Assessment results for spring 2021 testing.

If you are interested in viewing the detailed results from last year please use the KDE School [School Report Card](#)

## FCPS Covid Testing Site

Fayette County Public Schools has implemented robust health and safety protocols designed to minimize the potential spread of COVID. Our health care partners offer voluntary free COVID-19 testing for all interested FCPS students and employees on several of our campuses, district facilities, and community locations. Individuals can go to any of the testing sites regardless of where they work or attend school. See details at the FCPS link: <https://www.fcps.net/Page/17927>

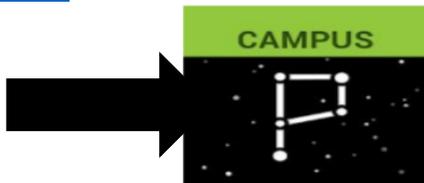
## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT ASSESSMENTS & FALL CONFERENCES

Please look for information coming home from your child's teacher to schedule a conference during the conference window through October 28th. Student report cards will also be shared with families during the conferences. We look forward to the opportunity to talk with families about their individual students and their growth. Thank you for your partnership in your child's learning!

## Infinite Campus Parent Portal

Did you know that parents can access Parent/Campus Portal to update telephone numbers and emergency contacts? This is also a great way, once your student is in 3rd grade or above, to follow their grades.

Visit: [Infinite Campus Overview](#) for information on how to sign into and set up Parent/Campus Portal. There is also an app available for your smartphone. Direct link to the FAQ's: [Infinite Campus FAQ](#)



## Meadowthorpe Elementary School Membership Contest

**What:** The MES-PTA is hosting a PTA Membership Contest. One class per grade level with the most Membership will win a prize.

**When:** The contest will run for the month of October.

**Who:** Everyone Connected to a MES student can join the MES-PTA (parents, guardians, grandparents, etc.)

**How:** To join MES- PTA simply go to <https://meadowthorpe.newmemberhub.store/store>.

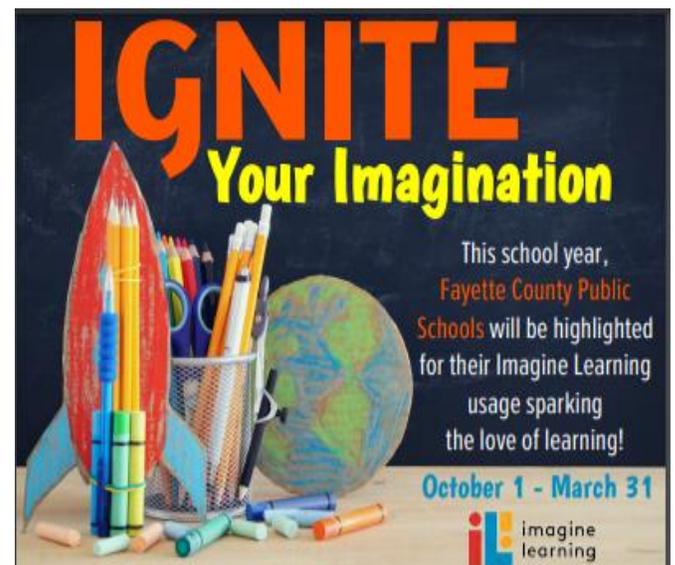
If you have any questions, please contact MES-PTA at [mesptalex@gmail.com](mailto:mesptalex@gmail.com).



We are excited begin Meadowthorpe's monthly "Hard Work Café" to recognize our students who are always giving their best effort.

- Each classroom will identify one student each month that displays the characteristics of a "hard-worker"
  - The student's picture will be taken and displayed outside your classroom door each month.
  - A day is set each month for all the students (K-5) to come to the cafeteria with a friend at a special table.

**Picture orders due back October 19<sup>th</sup>  
Make-up day is November 11<sup>th</sup>**



Meadowthorpe was recognized last school year for outstanding Imagine Learning usage. Our students and teachers did an amazing job staying motivated and working hard. At the end of the year we were named both a Galactic and Beacon School. Imagine Language and Literacy and Math is a program that helps accelerate growth and achievement for all students. We are continuing to use Imagine Learning programs this year to meet our students growth goals.

**Remember that students can log in from the Meadowthorpe homepage at home for additional practice.**