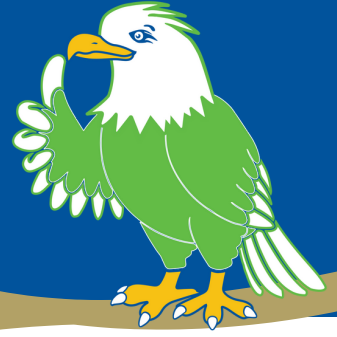


Eagles Nest

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023



Letter from the Principal


Ms. Colvin | jcolvin@mke-es.org

Greetings MESA Eagles,

The weather outside is swiftly transitioning, and the fall season is a reminder of how things quickly change. The one thing that remains constant is the school and home connection. I would like to personally thank you for trusting us to educate your scholar at MESA. We promise to provide our scholars with a high quality education which embraces the whole child. This year we welcomed 113 new scholars to MESA. It is my goal to meet our new families and become acclimated with our returning families. Please note and save the following dates to meet with the school principal for pancakes with the principal:

- November 3, 2023 - Primary parents of scholars in grades K-2, 8:30-10:00
- November 10, 2023 - Intermediate parents of scholars in grades 3-5, 8:30-10:00
- November 17, 2023 - Middle school parents of scholars in grades 6-8, 8:30-10:00

We will have breakfast together with an open dialogue around student achievement, the culture and climate of the school and any topics that you may bring to the table. I look forward to working with you and increasing our home-school connection. MESA is implementing a new reading initiative set to begin October 24, 2023. Your support is needed to ensure its success. Every day from 2:00-2:15 the school will Drop Everything and Read. Our data reveals that our scholars need to practice reading each and every day. Please keep in mind that school is still in session until 2:20 and that learning must take place from the start to the end of each day. In addition to this initiative every scholar is required to read at home Monday through Friday for a minimum of twenty minutes in grades K-2 and thirty minutes in grades 3-8. Please ensure that our scholars are adhering to this requirement.



Finally, MESA scholars and staff participate in daily crew meetings. Crew supports the social and emotional well being of our scholars and staff. Each day we greet each other and remind ourselves of the Habits of Scholarship. Please continue to discuss with our scholars the following:

- Being respectful and valuing each others opinion
- Resolving conflict by mediation with others and restoring the harm
- Holding ourselves accountable for our actions
- Having integrity and exemplifying our best selves

There are still many of you that I have yet to meet, please know that my door is always open and I will continue to work for the betterment of Mesa with the scholars at the forefront of all decisions made.

Together we will make a difference,

Ms. Colvin

Principal





Letter from the Assistant Principal

Ms. Cobb | kcobb@mke-es.org

Welcome MESA families,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2023-24 school year. We are looking forward to partnering with you to ensure scholars can achieve their highest potential socially, emotionally, and academically. Our staff is excited to have scholars back in our classrooms and hallways filling them with energy and enthusiasm for learning. It is our mission to help every scholar feel welcomed, connected, and part of the MESA community.


I am honored to serve my 2nd year as the Assistant Principal of MESA. It is truly an honor to be a part of a community where families, staff, and scholars care for each other and strive to build a positive relationship that supports academics and social growth.

High School Selection Process

The time has arrived for our 8th graders to apply for high school. They have begun researching high school choices for the 2024-2025 school year - Their FRESHMAN year of high school. All 8th grade scholars will apply for at least 3 high schools NOW and decide where they will attend later when acceptance letters come in. While it is ultimately the parents responsibility to identify and enroll their scholars in high school, MESA has made an effort to provide information to our families as we become informed. Our 8th graders attended the Citywide MPS High School Fair in September and Messmer and Kingdom Prep high schools have both showcased their schools here at MESA for our 8th graders. Please note that private, charter and choice schools have their own criteria for the admission process so you would need to reach out to them individually. If you have any questions about the high school process please feel free to email our Guidance Counselor Ms. Davis at bdavis@mke-es.org.

For more information on Open House dates and the admissions process please visit [MPS Open House dates](#)

Mrs. Cobb
Assistant Principal





Letter from the Dean of Scholars and Family Engagement

Mrs. Hughes | lhughes@mke-es.org

Eagle parent(s)/guardian(s),

Our scholars are continuing to persevere through new beginnings. Our scholars are continuing to settle in and make efforts to adhere to procedures. We pull out all stops to ensure their time at MESA is filled with rigorous and engaging academia as they soar to higher heights. Behavioral expectations are also clearly communicated and established to help all of our scholars achieve their very best. Please have a conversation about meeting the expectations at school.

Habit of Scholarship


Please support us as one of the Habits of Scholar is perseverance. Scholars are working very hard to show perseverance in their classrooms. We look forward to helping to shape the lives of our scholars utilizing all of the habits of scholarship. Stay connected!!!

Culture

Another huge concern is the cell phones being used at school. We are not saying scholars can't bring cell phones to school but if your scholar is caught using their phone at school it will be confiscated. Please have a conversation with your scholar about cell phone usage.

For more information on Open House dates and the admissions process please visit MPS Open House dates

Mrs. Hughes
Dean of Scholars and Family Engagement





Family Engagement News Updates

Welcome MESA families,

Hello families and happy “almost Winter!” If you missed our September parent meeting please click here to view items that were on the agenda: [Copy of Dept Crew 9/28 Parent Meeting](#)

Stay connected ! The next Parent Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 16th. See you there!

As a reminder, MESA is a uniform school. If your scholar does not have a MESA polo please send them in a solid green (K4-5) or a solid light blue (6-8) polo which can be purchased at your local Target, Walmart or store that sells uniforms. They should wear navy or khaki bottoms. Any shoe is acceptable except open toes or sandals/slides.

Click on the links below to get additional information on resources available in the community.

*[Impact 2-1-1 Community Resources](#): If you need to locate food, health care, or other assistance, Impact 2-1-1 provides a directory of community resources. Access an [online resource directory](#), call 211 to speak to a community resource specialist, or text your ZIP code to TXT-211 (898-211) to receive a response.

*[Families First - COVID](#) <https://www.theparentingnetwork.org/>

Here are some housing, energy, and safety resources for you or your family. Click on the links below for additional information.

- [Community Advocates Housing Programs](#)
 - [Community Advocates Families Homelessness Prevention Program](#)
 - Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services: 414-220-7233
 - [Internet Resources for Wisconsin Residents during Public Health Emergency](#)
 - [Milwaukee Women’s Center](#) 24-hour hotline: 414-671-6140
 - National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233
 - [Sojourner Family Peace Center](#) 24-hour confidential domestic violence hotline: 414-933-2722
 - [WE Energies](#)
 - [Wisconsin Department of Children and Families Child Care Finder](#)
 - UMOS Latina Resource Center: (414) 389-6500
 - 24-hour bilingual crisis line: (414) 389-6510
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