

Murfreesboro

City Schools

October 2017
Newsletter

Taste of Latin America

The community is invited to join MCS for A Taste of Latin America featuring the Murfreesboro Symphony Orchestra led by Conductor Ruben Gomez. Latin food, performances, art and activities for children and adults will highlight the day's activities. This free event will held on Saturday, October 21, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Patterson Park.



Boro International



The Murfreesboro community is invited to celebrate the growth, diversity, and culture of our city at 'Boro International on November 11 from 9 am to 4 pm at Cannonsburgh Village, 312 S. Front Street. Come enjoy the music, dance, and art that reflect the rich diversity of Murfreesboro and our world!

Fall Tennis Clinic

Thank you MTSU Men's and Women's Tennis teams for hosting our Fall Tennis clinic! Students in grades 2nd-6th were able to participate in a free clinic on September 21.

National Bullying Prevention Month



Did you know that students have a unique power to prevent bullying? More than half of bullying situations (57 percent) stop when a peer intervenes on behalf of the student being bullied.

Take time this October to talk to children and family members about bullying. You can start the conversation by discussing morals and responsibility. Help them identify the various forms of bullying including verbal and physical abuse and bullying via technology. Help children understand that bullying can severely effect their peers self-esteem, school performance and mental help. Encourage children to stand up for someone if they see them being bullied. If they don't feel comfortable intervening they should seek out adult help immediately.

National Farm to School Month



Read20

Murfreesboro City Schools has embarked on an early reading initiative funded through a Siegel Foundation grant titled Ready, Set, Grow! The grant helps fund two programs targeted at children from birth to age 5.

Ready! for Kindergarten includes parent workshops and toolkits. Ready! for Kindergarten workshops assist families in learning how to nurture their child's development from birth to kindergarten to help them succeed. The series of three workshops has toolkits for parents to take home for interaction with their children. The primary focus is to help parents become their child's first teacher.

The second part, **Read20**, kicked off as part of Read with a Child Week. The simple act of reading with a child every day has a lasting positive effect on children, families and communities. When we read, talk and play with a purpose with children from birth, their minds grow strong and bright and build the necessary skills for success in school and life.

NATIONAL FARM to SCHOOL MONTH



October is National Farm to School Month. The MCS Farm to School program, coordinated by the departments of Coordinated School Health and Nutrition, help build healthy habits and relationships between local food producers and the students throughout our district.

Through Farm to School, students are introduced to healthy eating habits, farm fresh local foods and educational opportunities ranging from experiments with in-school tower gardens to MTSU Dairy Farm field trips.

Students can work in raised bed gardens and greenhouses that have been installed at several schools throughout the district and many students have participated in hands-on science, history and math lessons by our farmer educator Mrs. Einecker.

From taste tests in ESP to educational activities in the classroom, MCS is proud to be a district involved in the Farm to School program.



Chef Academy



Congratulations to Team Scales for being this round's first place winners! Team Scales will compete in May for the final Chef Academy competition.

Tennessee Crunch

Murfreesboro City Schools will celebrate National Farm to School Month by crunching into an apple on Friday, October 27.

This event is about celebrating the region's diversity and wide variety of products grown by local farmers! Crunchers of all ages are invited to join us as we chow down on apples and support the MCS Farm to School Program.



Back to School Dash 5k/10k

The second annual Back to School Dash was held on September 16 at 7 am. Around 150 runners and 50 volunteers met at Overall Creek Elementary to help raise funds for The City Schools Foundation.

Check out photos from the event on The City Schools Foundation Facebook page.



MCS Family Resource Center

Murfreesboro City Schools is pleased to announce the opening of the Family Resource Center on October 18.

The Family Resource Center will be at Olive Branch Church and open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 4 pm.

You're invited to the Grand Opening on October 18 at 10:00 am.



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[Scales student gets to be police chief for a day](#)

[Read 20 with Murfreesboro City Schools - Reading Intervention](#)

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Dates to Remember

October 2	Fall Break Begins
October 9	School Lunch Week Begins
October 12	Discovery Center STEAM Festival Begins
October 16	School Bus Safety Week Begins
October 17	Town Hall at Hobgood
October 18	Family Resource Center Opening
October 21	Taste of Latin America
October 21	Dental Day
October 23	Anti Bullying Week Begins
October 26	Student Half Day
October 27	Tennessee Crunch
November 1	No School for Students
November 11	'Boro International
November 22	Thanksgiving Break

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