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## **Kansas All-Star Scholars Fund Provides More Opportunities for Mulvane Students**

The USD 263 Mulvane School District has recently received over \$42,000 from the Kansas All-Star Scholars Fund to be used for instructional and classroom equipment. The Mulvane School District and school districts in Sumner County were granted funds based on each district's student population. The Kansas All-Star Scholars Fund Committee strives to improve student opportunities in the areas of S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, & Math). Since 2012, the committee has consistently provided funds for numerous instructional improvements in Mulvane Schools including 3-D printers, Computer Aided Drafting equipment, Computer Science equipment, Chromebooks, School Safety equipment (Jacob Kits), and Science Lab equipment.

With a portion of the recently received funds from the Kansas All-Star Scholars Fund, Mulvane Schools plan to expand technology for the 1:1 student Chromebook initiative and provide for individual classroom needs throughout the district.

USD 263 - Mulvane Schools sincerely appreciates the consideration and generosity of the Kansas All-Star Scholars Fund Committee. From the Committee's support and partnership, students in Mulvane Schools are provided with many enhanced opportunities for learning.

The donation is part of Kansas Star Casino's commitment to the Kansas All-Star Scholars Fund. Contributing \$1.5 million annually, Kansas Star Casino has donated a total of \$10.5 million to date in support of the Fund's objectives. The Fund seeks to support education and students, benefit local businesses, attract new families to the area and spur economic development, all benefitting Sumner County.





## A Fun Time at Maria Court

Munson Primary preschool class went to Maria Court to dye Easter eggs.

The class was invited over and everything was set up for the students. Some of the residents were able to come in and visit and watch the kids dye eggs. The director also made the students goodie bags and gave them a snack of sugar cookies and punch. The class will visit again this month to enjoy another activity and visit with the residents!

## Munson Primary has been Enjoying All Things Spring in Art Class!

Kindergarten learned all about caterpillars and the process of turning into a butterfly. They made caterpillars using texture plates for the background and cut out circles to form the caterpillar. First grade learned about butterflies and the names of the butterfly anatomy. They drew butterflies and glued them to watercolor backgrounds. Second grade learned about Japanese cherry blossoms and the tradition of the cherry blossoms. They created their own cherry blossoms with India Ink and pink tempera paint.

Also this month, they've been learning to draw different flowers and cacti. Exploring different shapes and adding different backgrounds has been fun too.



## Big Truck Night

Big Truck Night was a huge success. We had over 400 people that attended. The Optimist Club supplied and cooked the hotdogs and buns. The Mulvane Public Library donated books and chips, as well as, helped setting up.



## MGS Girls on the Run

Lynee W., Brooklyn B., Sophic B., Jaycee C., and Emma C. spoke to the Optimist Club about Girls on the Run. The girls had prepared their own individual speeches. They spoke about what the program is, what they learn, and the activities that they participate in every week. They practiced and delivered their parts with ease! They did an excellent job representing Girls on the Run and Mulvane Grade School. It was awesome to see them be brave and confident in themselves and talk about the non-profit organization that empowers young girls and encourages them to make healthy choices in all aspects of their lives. We are so proud!



### **D.A.R.E. at Mulvane Grade School** *Partnership with schools will teach good decisions-making while building trust between community & law enforcement*

Children in elementary, middle, and high school classrooms in USD 263 and throughout the country today face a multitude of high-risk circumstances including the temptation to use drugs and alcohol, violence, bullying, and internet safety, not to mention the fear of school violence. In response to these challenges and the long-term welfare of our community, the Mulvane Police Department and USD 263 launched the implementation of the D.A.R.E. education program, focusing on teaching the evidence-based curriculum to every 5th grader at Mulvane Grade School.

For the last 10 weeks, Officer Bohannon has facilitated students in learning skills that extend well beyond saying no to drugs, but include lessons that will help students make healthy and mature choices in all aspects of their lives. Students have engaged in lessons addressing self-awareness and self-management

skills, along with how to build positive relationships and maintain effective communication skills. In addition, students have participated in activities to practice handling their responsibilities and challenges.

The D.A.R.E. program wrapped up on Tuesday, April 30th, with a day-long camp, followed by D.A.R.E. graduation that evening. Students spent the day with police officers and other students from surrounding districts, participating in various activities to further build those important life skills. At graduation, all 5th graders received a certificate of completion. Isaiah read his first place essay, receiving the top cash prize of \$100 dollars. Other winners included Conner, Nathan, Hunter, Kylie, Natalie and Madi.



## MGS Attendance: Top Goal in 2018-2019

Promoting regular attendance has always been a top priority at Mulvane Grade School. So, for the 2018-2019 school year, Principal Trista Cuthbertson wanted to get the students invested in their own school attendance even more by giving them a reward to work towards and provided a visual attendance tracker in the main MGS lobby for students to see their daily progress.

The students' visual tracker is a football theme entitled "Score with Super Attendance." They started tracking daily attendance in November 2018. Once the students met the goal of reaching 21 days of 97% attendance then a school-wide reward party was provided. In February, the students earned their first reward party and were given an Ice Cream Sundae Party during School Families time. They were able to make their own sundaes and even added their own toppings. Fun was had by all! What a great way to acknowledge the importance of being present in school every day!

A student is considered chronically absent, regardless of the reason, if they miss only two days of school per month (18 days in a year). Research show that even one year of chronic absence can cause a child to fall behind academically, decrease a child's chances of graduating from high school, and can have a long-term consequences on their mental and physical health.

They started tracking monthly average attendance rates in October. The goal was 97%. See results below:

October: 96%  
November: 97%  
December: 97%  
January: 95%  
February: 94%  
March: 96%  
April is on track to be 97%

In addition, they were quite impressed and proud of the number of students that maintained a perfect attendance record each quarter this school year. Results are listed below:

Quarter 1: 78 Students  
Quarter 2: 75 Students  
Quarter 3: 60 Students

For more information regarding the importance of school attendance, please visit:  
<http://absencesaddup.org/>

## First Women's Leadership Summit Held in Manhattan KS

Raquel Greer, USD 263 Assistant Superintendent, attended the First Women's Leadership Summit on February 4th & 5th in Manhattan, Kansas. There were many featured speakers to share personal & professional growth ideas, motivation and inspiration. It was an honor to personally meet Governor Laura Kelly.



### Summer Reading Kick-Off Party at the Mulvane Public Library

The Summer Reading Program Kick-off Party is May 20th from 5-7:00 pm. This will be your chance to sign up for the program, get a sneak peek at the prizes, listen to live music, and so much more!

The Summer Reading Program will start on May 28th; be on the lookout for more information on all the programs. We have it jam-packed with guest presenters, games, and prizes for everyone to enjoy!

There is always something fun to do at  
the Library!!

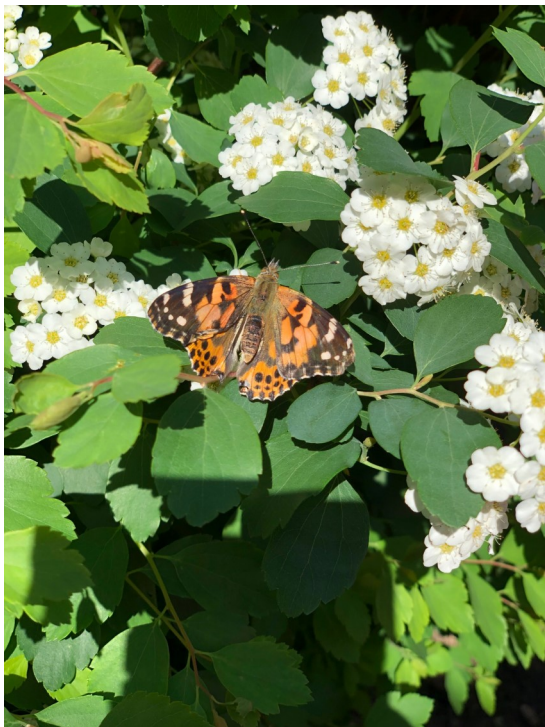
## Mrs. Ramsey's 3rd Grade Class Hatches Butterflies Again!

Mrs. Ramsey has been hatching butterflies in her classroom every spring for almost 10 years! This year was no different! All 6 of the Painted Lady Butterflies hatched—much to the surprise of Mrs. Ramsey because of an unexpected power outage in Mulvane. Since the larvae (caterpillars) were in the MGS building during the power outage and school was cancelled, Mrs. Ramsey and her students were worried that the caterpillars wouldn't continue their metamorphosis because they weren't supposed to be exposed to temperatures less than 68 degrees.

When Mrs. Ramsey took the caterpillars home after the power outage, there was one chrysalis that was hanging from the lid rather than being attached to it and one of the larva was stuck to the food at the bottom of the container. They thought it was dead, but while it stayed stuck to the food, it formed its chrysalis anyway! It also hatched, but one of this wings was smaller than the others. The students named this butterfly, "Miracle."

During the fun yearly project, the kids not only watch the process of caterpillars becoming butterflies, but they also learn about the entire life cycle of butterflies. The students also learned that a butterfly scientist is called a Lepidopterist. The students' favorite part of the butterfly is the proboscis (the spiral straw-like part of the butterfly that sucks the nectar from flowers or fruit). An interesting fact the students would like you to know is that when butterflies emerge from their chrysalis they pump their wings to dry them and this pumping action also pumps the color into them. The excess color looks like blood in the bottom of the habitat.

The most exciting part of this project is "Release Day!" On April 26th, Mrs. Ramsey's class took their newly hatched butterflies out to the playground to be released for their first flight. The students began chanting for "Miracle" because one of its wings did not fully form and they are hoping that it will eventually be able to fly. They hope you enjoy some of the pictures that they took during their Butterfly Release!



## MMS Community Partnership

MMS STEM students partner with local coffee shop, Jane's Landing, to use coffee grounds as compost for the school gardens.



## MMS Students Send Birthday Letters to WWII Veteran

Students of Team 6a in Mrs. LeClair and Ms. Enlow's classes learned about the veterans of WWII and wrote birthday letters to a WWII veteran that lives in Marlow, Ok. He rarely receives any mail, let alone birthday cards, so his daughter posted on Facebook asking followers to send her dad birthday cards. Team 6a students were up for the challenge. They also sent him a Mulvane t-shirt and hat that was donated by Shirts Plus (a big shout out to them for supporting MMS)!!!



## Theme: My Dream to Fly

The Middle School is proud to have two students place in the 2019 International Aviation Art Contest - Brittney G. and Trinity B. The contest challenges young people to illustrate the importance of aviation through art. Entries were judged in three classes, according to age and at least in part for the creative use of the theme in relation to the aviation world. Congratulations Brittney and Trinity!



*Brittney G. took first place in the category II age group.*



*Trinity B. took second place in the category II age group.*

## MMS Holds Successful Food Drive

*Thank you to all the students and families who donated to the MMS Food Drive! Because of you STUCO was able to donate nearly 3,000 items to the Mulvane Police Department, Mulvane Care and Share and the Mulvane Blessings Box.*

*thank  
YOU*

## NJHS End of Year Activities

National Junior Honor Society members at Mulvane Middle School are raising awareness and funds for The Shelter Pet Project. This project is sponsored in part by the Humane Society of America and promotes pet adoption across the country.

NJHS members will hold a “Step for Pets” walk this Saturday morning, May 4th, at the district track. Members are asking people to sponsor them with a donation. They are also raising funds at school through various activities through next Friday, May 10th. NJHS will donate all of the money they raise from this project to the Kansas Humane Society.

If you wish to donate or to sponsor an NJHS member for “Steps for Pets” but don’t know any members, please contact NJHS sponsor Ms. Humphries at Mulvane Middle School.

NJHS members are hosting an old-fashioned family game night with free popcorn and a cake walk Friday, May 10th, from 6:00 to 7:30 at Mulvane Middle School. There will be a variety of board games to play, cards, and even a chance for games such as “Follow the Leader,” “Simon Says,” and “Musical Chairs,” Pickle ball is a possibility.

### **\*\*CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT\*\* FOR 2018-2019**

#### **Parents Please Note:**

At the September 24 Board of Education Meeting, the Board voted to reduce the 2018-2019 school calendar by two days. This means that the last day of school for students will be a **half day on May 21, 2019. Students will not attend May 22 or May 23 as we previously posted.**

## USDA Summer Food Service Program

Mulvane participates in the USDA Summer Food Service Program. The Summer Food Service Program feeds children free nutritious meals and snacks during the summer months when many might go hungry. The program is open to any child from 1-18. They do not have to be from Mulvane and there is no application process. They just show up and receive a free meal. Adults may eat with their children for a nominal charge. This will be our 6th year participating in the program.

The Mulvane summer food service program is slated for service starting Tuesday, May 28th, until Friday, August 2nd. There will be no meals offered on Thursday, July 4th. Breakfast will be served M-F 8:15 am until 9:30 am. Lunch service will be M-F 11:30 am until 1:00 pm. Both breakfast and lunch are free daily to all children from 1-18.

We are working to offer special events for the children. In years past we have had the Midwest Dairy Council live milk truck come out for a morning. The students learned how milk is processed from the farm to the carton along with a live milking demonstration. We hope to add a bicycle safety day and other events this year.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

## **Outdoor Movie Night @ Mulvane Public Library**

Friday, May 31st @  
7:00 pm. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for a free movie, complimentary popcorn & food trucks!!

Food trucks will be there starting at 7:00 pm. Movie starts at 8:30 pm



## USD #263 Preschool Opportunities

The Mulvane schools now have available several different preschool programs for the Mulvane community. Each are described below:

**Four Year Old At Risk:** (Jumpstart): Your child must be 4 on or before August 31st and you must meet one of the at risk qualifying factors.

**Kansas Preschool Program:** Your child must be 3 or 4 on or before August 31st or 5 after August 31st and not eligible for kindergarten, and you must meet one of the at risk qualifying factors.

**Peer Buddy in an Early Childhood Special Education Classroom:** Your child must pass the developmental screening and be potty trained. There is a waiting list for the spots along with a monthly program fee. Children are added to the program intermittently during the year based on program needs. Your child can turn 3 or 4 anytime during the year.

**Early Childhood Special Education Classroom:** Classroom with special design to meet the needs of children who are found to be developmentally delayed during a comprehensive evaluation and have an IEP (Individual Education Plan). Your child can turn 3 or 4 anytime during the year.

**All children must participate in a child find clinic for placement in a preschool classroom. Clinics are held on Wednesday each month during the school year. The dates are listed below:**

### CHILD FIND CLINIC

- Developmental Screening for Children Birth to age 5. (Areas screened: Language, Concepts, Motor, Behavior, Hearing & Vision).
- Screenings are conducted by appointment only by USD #263 Early Childhood Staff

- Screening are held at **Munson Primary School, Northeast Hall, 1007 Westview, Mulvane, KS**

**Call 777-0256 to make an appointment for the August 14th 2019 clinic.**

**Call 777-0151 for all other clinic appointments**

August 14, 2019  
August 21, 2019  
September 25, 2019  
October 9, 2019  
November 13, 2019  
December 11, 2019  
January 15, 2020  
February 12, 2020  
March 25, 2020  
April 8, 2020  
April 22, 2020  
May 6, 2020

**MRC All Day Summer Program**

**Cat Trax Starts**

**May 28th for K-6th Grade**

Check out details on our Summer Guide on [mulvanerec.com](http://mulvanerec.com) or Call Kande, Brittani or Ashley for details: 316-777-0858





# Immunization Requirements for the 2019 - 2020 School Year

K.A.R. 28-1-20 defines immunizations required for any individual who attends school or a childcare program operated by a school. Below are the requirements for the indicated school year. Please carefully review the requirements. The usual number of doses required are listed; however there are exceptional circumstances that could alter the number of doses a child needs. If you have questions about your child's immunization status, contact your child's primary care provider or local health department.

**Proof of receiving the required immunizations must be provided to the school prior to the student attending the first day of school.**



## Early Childhood Program Operated by a School Ages 4 Years and Under

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	4 doses
IPV (polio)	3 doses
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	1 dose
Varicella (chickenpox)	1 dose*
Hepatitis A	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses
Hib (haemophilus influenza type B)	4 doses**
Prevnar (pneumococcal conjugate)	4 doses**

### KDG and Grade 1 - New Requirement!

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses ***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis A - <b>New Requirement!</b>	2 doses
Hepatitis B	3 doses

### Grades 2 - 6

Vaccine	Requirement
DTaP/DT (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis)	5 doses
IPV (polio)	4 doses ***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

### Grade 7 - New Requirement!

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)	1 dose~
IPV (polio)	4 doses ***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses
<b>NEW Requirement!</b>	
Meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W, Y)	1 dose

### Additional ACIP RECOMMENDED Vaccines Not Required for School Entry

- **Influenza (Flu):** Annual vaccine recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older.
- **HPV (Human Papillomavirus) Vaccine:**  
2 doses recommended at age 11 years  
*2 doses needed if started at 11-14 years*  
*3 doses needed if started at 15 years or older*

### Grades 8, 9, 10 and 12

Vaccine	Requirement
Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)	1 dose~
IPV (polio)	4 doses ***
MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)	2 doses
Varicella (chickenpox)	2 doses*
Hepatitis B	3 doses

### Grade 11 - New Requirement!

In addition to above vaccines for Grades 8, 9, 10 & 12:

Meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W, Y)	1 dose
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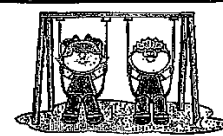
#### Notes

\* Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is not required if child has had chickenpox disease and disease is documented by a physician signature. Without physician signature, vaccine is still required even if you believe your child has had chickenpox disease.

\*\*Total doses needed are dependent on vaccine type and age the doses were administered.

\*\*\*All Students in grades K-8, all new students and students currently completing the polio series must have 6 months between the last 2 doses of polio vaccine, and one dose must be after the 4th birthday.

~All students in grades 7-12 must have one dose of Tdap regardless of the interval since the last dose of DTaP or Td.



**MULVANE USD #263  
2018 - 2019  
SCHOOL CALENDAR**

**\*Days missed due to weather/unforeseen circumstances will be made up at the discretion of the BOE**

**1 HR. LATE START EVERY WEDNESDAY**

July 2 - August 17.....	District Wide Enrollment
August 8 - 10.....	Teacher Professional Learning
August 13.....	1ST DAY OF SCHOOL
August 17.....	NO SCHOOL/Old Settlers
August 31.....	NO SCHOOL/Teacher Professional Learning
Sept. 3.....	NO SCHOOL/Labor Day
Oct. 12.....	End of 1st 9 weeks
Oct. 15.....	NO SCHOOL/Teacher Professional Learning
Oct. 25.....	NO SCHOOL/P/T Conf.
Oct. 26.....	NO SCHOOL/Comp Day for Conferences
Nov. 21 - 23.....	NO SCHOOL/Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 19.....	End of 2nd 9 weeks
Dec. 20 - Jan. 1.....	Winter Break
Jan. 2.....	NO SCHOOL/.5 Teacher Professional Learning / .5 Work Day
Jan. 3.....	Classes Resume
Jan. 21.....	NO SCHOOL/MLK Day
Feb. 15.....	NO SCHOOL/Teacher Professional Learning
Feb. 18.....	NO SCHOOL/President's Day
March 7.....	End of 3rd 9 weeks
March 8.....	NO SCHOOL P/T Conf.
March 11-15.....	Spring Break
April 19.....	NO SCHOOL/Comp Day
April 22.....	NO SCHOOL/Teacher Professional Learning
May 18.....	GRADUATION
May 21.....	.5 Student Last Day/.5 Teacher Work Day/End of 4th 9 weeks

**SCHOOL HOURS**

High School	7:45 - 3:00 pm
Middle School	7:50 - 3:05 pm
Grade School	8:10 - 3:20 pm
Munson Primary	7:55 - 3:15 pm

**STUDENT FEE: (Nonrefundable)**

MHS \$25.00 (Free & Reduced Fee)	\$20.00
MMS \$20.00 (Free & Reduced Fee)	\$10.00
MGS/MPS	\$10.00

**TECHNOLOGY FEE**

9 - 12	\$25.00 (Reduced Fee) \$7.50
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**TEXTBOOK FEE**

Grades K - 12	\$75.00 (Reduced Fee) \$22.50
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**BREAKFAST/LUNCH FEES**

**Daily Breakfast Fee**

K - 5	\$1.55
6 - 8	\$1.65
9 - 12	\$1.65
Adults	\$2.40
Milk	\$ .40

**Daily Lunch Fees**

K - 5	\$2.50
6 - 8	\$2.70
9 - 12	\$2.70
Adults	\$3.85
Milk	\$ .40



**Mulvane USD 263 Mission Statement:**

*The mission of the Mulvane Public Schools is to prepare all students with academic and life skills while respecting the diverse social, educational, and cultural characteristics of each individual student.*

*The core values of Mulvane students and staff are based on a foundation of:*

- *Respectful, positive relationships*
- *Safe learning environment*
- *Competent, knowledgeable staff*
- *Appropriate social skills and citizenship*
- *Professionalism with integrity*
- *Open and honest communication*

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*Board of Education meetings are  
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 District Office at  
 7:00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
 Monday of each month.*

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