

# MEAD MUSTANG MONTHLY UPDATES

## A FANTASTIC START

We have had a great kick off to the school year at Mead School! Students are learning their routines and expectations, building and strengthening friendships, and growing the skills they will need to be successful this school year.

It was so great to see so many families at our "Slice of Success" night last Thursday. Connections between home and school are so important. We will have several other family nights throughout the school year to give you even more opportunities to get involved with your Mustang's education!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- October 8: Vision Screening
- October 16: Parent/Teacher Committee Meeting @ 4pm in the Mead Cafeteria
- October 22: Picture Retake Day
- November 1: No School; Autumn Break

## MEAD SCHOOL HOURS

- ✓ Students can be dropped off anytime after 8:25 on Tuesday-Friday and 9:15 on Mondays
- ✓ School ends at 3:30, Monday through Friday.

## FALL CONFERENCES

On November 21st and November 25th, we will be scheduling our fall conferences with families. This will be a time when you can learn more about your Mustang's progress so far this year. Teachers will send out a sign up through Parent Square in early November.

**CHECK OUT WHAT ELSE IS  
HAPPENING THIS MONTH  
ON OUR COMMUNITY  
EVENTS PAGE**

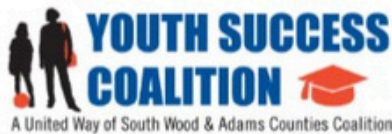
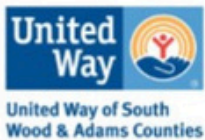


## Coalition Member Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes Provides Opportunities for Growth

Girl Scouts is the one activity where she can put on a play, go camping, explore the cosmos, and stand up for her beliefs—all with friends who share those values. Being a Girl Scout makes kids part of something bigger than themselves!

Girls can become Girl Scouts at any point from kindergarten through high school. For just \$25 plus any local fees, you'll join a group of girls and families called a troop and get a full year of adventures, including trips, events, and special programs. Troops in the Wisconsin Rapids area do exciting things like explore nature and the outdoors, camping, STEM, field trips, community service, travel abroad, and much more!

If you're interested in learning more, email [info@gsnwgsl.org](mailto:info@gsnwgsl.org) or [cvenzke@gsnwgsl.org](mailto:cvenzke@gsnwgsl.org), and come to the Girl Scouts Taylor Swift party on Monday October 22nd at Camp Sacajawea from 5:30–6:30pm!



## **MEAD SCHOOL** **TITLE I SERVICES**

Mead Elementary School offers school-wide Title I services to all students. Title I is a federal program providing funding to support intervention to students who are struggling to reach grade level standards. At Mead, intervention teachers work with small groups of students in need of additional support in reading and math. Our intervention teachers also work in classrooms with the classroom teachers. If you do not want your child to receive these services, please contact the office for a form to fill out to opt your child out of these learning opportunities.

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten



1. Stop in at the Children's Desk in the library to get started.
2. Read with your child! Have siblings read together! Have your child read to you!
3. Keep track of the books that are read. Color in each book on the provided bookmark for each book that your child has read or been read to. Each bookmark has 100 books in total.
4. Turn in each completed bookmark to the children's desk to receive a prize!







McMillan Memorial Library invites you to participate in this **free** program that encourages you to read 1,000 books with your child before they start kindergarten!

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The concept is simple: read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to have read 1,000 books (yes you can repeat books!) before your little one starts kindergarten. If you read just 1 book a night, you will have read about 365 books in a year. That is 730 books in two years and 1,095 books in three years. With most children starting kindergarten at around 5 years of age, you have more time than you think!

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- ★ Stop in at the Children's Desk in the library to get started.
- ★ Read with your child! Studies have shown that reading with your child provides a great opportunity for **bonding**. Reading together is fun and will create life-long memories for the both of you.
- ★ Keep **track** of the books that you read with your child.
  - Color in each book on the provided bookmark for each book that *your child has read or been read to*. Each bookmark has 100 books in total.
- ★ **Turn in** each completed bookmark to the children's desk to receive a prize.

## FREQUENTLY-ASKED-QUESTIONS

- ★ Who can participate in this program?
  - Any child from birth until they enter kindergarten can participate in the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program.
- ★ How long will the program take?
  - The program will take anywhere from a few months to a few years. The program is self-paced and will depend on how often you read together.
- ★ How many of my children can participate?
  - All of them (provided they have not yet started kindergarten). Make it even more fun and read as a family!

*Let's*

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OUR STUDENTS NEED:



JACKETS



SNOWPANTS



BOOTS



ITEMS MAY BE DROPPED OFF AT ANY WISCONSIN RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOL DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER - THANK YOU!