

MUHL TIMES

IT'S OCTOBER ALREADY!

Muhlenberg
Elementary Center

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It is hard to believe that it is already October. Cool fall weather will be setting in soon. Get your sweatshirts and coats ready for school.

Grandparents Week was a big success! Thank you to the teachers for putting in extra time to make our families welcome at MEC. Our students were extremely proud to share where they spend the greater part of their day with their grandparents.

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There are many new teachers here at MEC. You can learn a little more about your child's teacher in this issue.

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Our teachers are excited about learning and we hope our students are as well. There are new reading programs, Journeys and Wonders, and a new math program. Our students are being introduced to more technology in our engaged classrooms too.

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OCTOBER EVENTS

October 1 and 2	Lifetouch Picture Day
October 12	No School
October 15	Fall ESL Night 6:30
October 30	Career Day



NEW TEACHERS AT MEC

There are many changes here at Muhlenberg Elementary Center this school year! We have new classroom teachers, teachers that transferred from other Muhlenberg buildings, and staff changes. The Hallway of Higher Learning has added a few new pennants to keep up with our educators.

There are two new faces in Kindergarten this year. **Carley Antosy** She is a graduate of West Chester University . **Catherine Leonhard** She is a graduate of Kutztown University.

First grade long term substitute **Alyssa Roth** is Millersville University graduate.

In second grade, long term substitute **Leila Mesinger** is a graduate of Temple University. Also in second grade, is **Kelli Zimmerman**, an Albright graduate.

Chris Geddio, a Millersville University graduate, and **Kelcie Werner**, a Lycoming University graduate are new third grade teachers.

Ginny Hornberger is a new fourth grade teacher. She is a graduate of Millersville University and Wilkes University.

Theresa Diaz, our MEC librarian, is a graduate of Brown University.

Our new emotional support classroom is headed by **Brittany Dellaquila**. Brittany is a graduate of Gwynedd Mercy College.

Amy Arnold and **Amy Chiarelli** are in new positions this year. Amy Arnold, a former Kindergarten teacher, is one of our reading specialists. Amy Chiarelli, a graduate of Penn State, Kutztown, and Wilkes, is our reading program coordinator.

Ken Kemmerer is a member of the music staff. He teaches instrumental lessons. Millersville and Rutgers are his alma maters.

Amy Keith is our Progressions counselor and works out of the main office. She is a graduate of Moravian and Alvernia University.

Our new behavior specialist, **Megan Migliore**, is a Millersville University graduate.

Jessica Urenko joins the staff as an ESL instructional aide. She is a graduate of Penn State, Kutztown, and Widener University.

BUS SAFETY REMINDERS

Parents, here are a few reminders to discuss with your children about riding the bus. In just the fourth week of school, we have had a number of behaviors reported.

1. While at the bus stop, wait in a safe place. Do not run and play while waiting. Drivers have reported children in the street and not waiting safely on the sidewalk.
 2. Sit facing forward on bus at all times. Some students are sitting on their knees and moving in the aisle of the bus. These are major safety concerns.
 3. Talk quietly so the bus driver will not be distracted. Shouting and yelling can distract the driver.
 4. Keep your hands to yourself. We have had reports that students are playing tag on the bus.
 5. Make sure you have all of your belongings when you get off of the bus. Backpacks, lunch boxes, and clothing have been left behind on buses.
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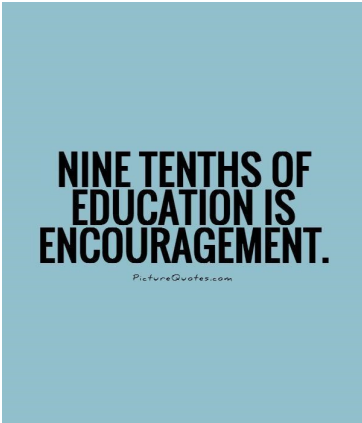
MORNING DROP OFF SAFETY REMINDERS

Ms. Lessie and Ms. Ortiz are outside in the morning at the drop off circle. They do a great job with cars and getting children safely to the curb and on their way inside the building. Please follow their directions to keep things flowing.

PARENT PICK UP REMINDERS

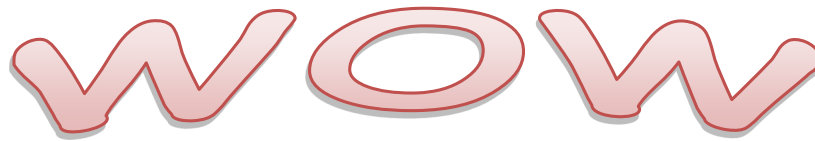
Many students are picked up by parents at the end of the day. We have staff working hard to make this process as quick as possible. There have been some difficulties. Parking is at a premium.

***PLEASE DO NOT DOUBLE PARK AND PARK OTHER CARS IN.**



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Words of the Week September & October

AUGUST 31- SEPTEMBER 4	INAUGURATE
SEPTEMBER 7-11	STERLING
SEPTEMBER 14-18	INSATIABLE
SEPTEMBER 21-25	ETIQUETTE
SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 2	CAPTIVATING
OCTOBER 5-9	AGILE
OCTOBER 12-16	PROFOUND
OCTOBER 19-23	COGNIZANT
OCTOBER 26-30	REPertoire

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our school, our classroom teachers, and most importantly our students are in need of volunteers. Please contact your child's teacher or call the main office to find out how to sign up. It takes a village to help our students be successful. Reach out and donate a few hours of your time to support our MEC kids.
