



University Elementary
Monday Minute - February 4, 2019

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9. Elementary High Ability Identification Timeline (Grades 3-8)

1. The February Newsletter will be sent out in an additional email tonight - FYI.
2. Monday, February 18th, we will have school as this is a make up day. On this date, we will have Interstate Studios (the company that does our school pictures) here to take club pictures, class pictures, and to take any pictures of students that have moved in since our original school picture day in the Fall. This is NOT a picture retake day. The forms that will go home with your children will have a sticker placed on them with the correct date (February 18th) as they were printed with the wrong date. You may order a class picture using this form. Club pictures are for the yearbook only.
3. We are looking to spruce things up a bit around our schools by adding in some pictures of our students and staff! This Wednesday, Mrs. Killion (kindergarten teacher) will be going around the school to take some candid pictures of students and staff that we will be framing in various sections of the building. We ask, if possible, that your children dress in solid or basic pattern clothing on Wednesday as this will help us to gather some "timeless" pictures for the school.
4. Our 5th grade students will be going to the Musical Arts Center (MAC) this Wednesday to see the orchestra. Other grade levels will be attending at later dates over the next month.
5. The MCCSC and FMCCS will host our third annual Girls in Engineering, Math, and Science (GEMS) conference on Saturday, March 23 and registration is now open!



The conference is for girls in grades 5th and 6th in Monroe County. Girls will have the opportunity work with female role models and enjoy the wonders of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM)! For more information, visit

<https://www.mccsc.edu/gems>. To register, visit

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSerk2-nlnq9hfDSih7fh64huwIODLIdLIZrUrVKwEKyOxldNw/viewform>. Registration closes March 8th.

6. Kindergarten Registration opened today! Please ensure that you have the appropriate paperwork before coming to school. Learn more at www.mccsc.edu/kreg
7. There will be a Kindergarten Open House on Tuesday, February 12th from 6:30-7:30 here at University School where families can meet the principal and current teachers, tour the school, explore a typical day in kindergarten, and get some answers to those pressing questions. Learn more at www.mccsc.edu/kreg
8. The MCCSC Office of High Ability Education has begun the middle school high ability identification/application process for the 2019-2020 school year for incoming 7th grade students. Notification letters have already been mailed out to current sixth grade students who automatically qualify for middle school high ability services (advanced ELA or ALPS) based on scores on the In View and NWEA assessments. Application materials for students who want to appeal for placement in middle school high ability programs are due to the Office of High Ability Education on or before Friday, February 8, 2019. Placement in advanced math classes is a separate process and will occur later in the semester. Information about high ability programs may also be found on the MCCSC website at www.mccsc.edu.
9. The Elementary High Ability process will begin in March. If you want to get a jump on dates, you can access the timeline here: <https://www.mccsc.edu/cms/lib/IN01906545/Centricity/Domain/62/HA%202018-19.pdf>



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