

MES Family Update – November 18, 2021

Good afternoon MES Families,

We hope that you are having a good week with Parent-Teacher conferences and the early release days. A reminder that we have one more early release day tomorrow and then an early release day next Wednesday as we head off for the Thanksgiving break.

A few things for you this week:

*The adjustment in our lunch design where some students are eating in the Cafeteria and some are eating in the Community Room is a direct result of MES following the Screen & Stay guidelines. Students needed to be a minimum of 6 feet apart while eating - obviously with their masks off. We are unable to get 6 foot distancing in any of our classrooms based on the number of students in each class and the size of the classrooms. The guidance states 'temporary'. We are hopeful that our current lunch format is temporary.

*As we shared last week, Screen and Stay allows close contacts the opportunity to remain in school if families agree to daily monitoring of their children and a signature on the Screen and Stay Affirmation form. A reminder to review the 'Can My Child Come to School Today' documentation. The link is below:

<https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/cms/lib/CT02204190/Centricity/Domain/8/Can%20omy%20childcome%20to%20school%20today.pdf>

*Should your child be a close contact with a positive COVID-19 case outside of school, we would appreciate knowing that information so we can discuss the Screen and Stay guidance with you. It is also important that any students awaiting a COVID-19 test result stay out of school until the negative test result is received and shared with school. This would be a test that the school has asked you to get or a test that you've initiated on your own.

There are a number of new fliers on the website in the Community Section of Fliers. The fliers and links can also be found below:

- Marlborough Lions Club Blood Drive
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7167&FileName=Blood%20Drive.pdf>
- Girl Scout Children's Holiday Craft Fair
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7168&FileName=Girl%20Scout%20Holiday%20Workshop.pdf>
- AHM Holiday Auction
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7159&FileName=AHM%20Holiday%20Auction.pdf>
- AHM Mentor Program
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7164&FileName=AHM%20Be%20a%20Mentor.pdf>
- Connecticut Food Share
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7170&FileName=Connecticut%20Foodshare%20November%2021.pdf>
- Toys for Tots
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7171&FileName=Toys%20for%20Tots%20December%2011.pdf>

- Marlborough Food Bank - Liberty Bank & Rotary Club Thanksgiving Drive
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7169&FileName=Liberty%20Bank%20Rotary%20Thanksgiving%20Drive.pdf>
- Upcoming COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics
 - <https://www.marlborough.k12.ct.us/site/handlers/filedownload.ashx?moduleinstanceid=253&dataid=7161&FileName=COVID%20Clinics.pdf>

We hope everyone has a terrific evening, a nice Friday and a great weekend.

Dan & Kim