WARRIOR MONTHLY MAIL

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Coming in December:

4th-8th - Santa Shop 7th - Winter Wonderland 5:30 - 7:00pm 13th - K/1st to Peru Circus Building for Pacers Toy Giveaway 20th - 4th/5th Christmas Program at 1:00pm and 6:00pm 21st - Pack Party 1:30 22nd - Roxy Movie Day! PJs and Parties. 25th - Christmas Break Begins Jan. 9th - Classes Resume



Congratulations to our Integrity and Honesty Warriors of the Month!

JANUARY FOCUS: PERSEVERANCE

Our character value we will be focusing on for the month January is perseverance. Perseverance is a magnet for success: staying focused and working hard toward a goal is a sure way to be successful! Perseverance is the ability to not get frustrated or give up on anything, even when it is hard to do. Our quote for January is as follows: "Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again." ~ Nelson Mandela





If your family is in need of holiday assistance, please contact Mrs. Chelsea Smith, Wrap Around Coordinator, here at the school at 765-985-2251 x 4401.





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Santa Shop and Roxy Movie Day are back this year! Santa Shop will be the week of December 4th. Each class will have a time to visit the Santa Shop to purchase items for their families. Information concerning the shopping has been sent home. Please note when your child's class will be visiting the Santa Shop.



Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:40 - 9:20	Leslie Hendrix	Jennifer Ault	Maggie White		
9:25 - 10:05	Tracy Binnion	K Duff	Delaney		
10:10 - 10:50	Baleigh Hendrix	Wendi Piel	Susan Hanaway		
10:50 - 11:30	Britney Grant	Amanda Smith	Patience Hisey		
11:30 - 12:00			CLOSED		
12:00 - 12:40	Feller	Dannielle Jones	Deardorff		
12:50 - 1:30	Floyd	See			
1:35 - 2:15	Hovermale	Wendi Piel	Schindler-Smith		
2:20 - 3:00	Mr. Sayger	Starkey/Freeman	Snavely		



WEEK OF

DEC. 18TH

Thursday, December 7th will be our Winter Wonderland from 5:30 - 7:00pm. Come join us for "ice skating" to live carols from the MS/HS Choir, activities, free books, hot cocoa, snacks, and most importantly a visit from Santa and his reindeer! Santa Shop will also be open for any last minute shopping you would like to do with your child. This will be a great way to get into the holiday spirit!

SCHOOL DRESS UP DAYS

We will have school dress up days the week of December 18th.

- Monday: Don't Be a Grinch! (Dress like a Grinch or a Whoville Citizen)
- Tuesday: Pretty as a Present (Decorate yourself like a present)
- Wednesday: Sweet as a Candy Cane (Red/White)
- Thursday: Clash of the Carolers (Wear your pack color)
- Friday: Snug as a Bug (PJ Day)



Friday, December 22nd will be our annual PTO Roxy Christmas Movie trip. The K - 6th students will attend the Peru Roxy Theater for a movie. We will leave right after morning announcements and will return in time for lunch.



There will be a total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024 in Indiana! Due to this opportunity, we will be changing our school calendar so families can travel to see it if they would like. We will have the following calendar change:

- January 15th: School in Session
- April 8th: No School ~ Enjoy the eclipse!

North Miami Elementary's 4th and 5th grades present: Home for the Holidays Wednesday, December 20th at 1:00 and 6:00 PM



At North Miami we use the "I Love U Guys" Standard Response Protocol. The "I Love U Guys" Foundation's programs for crisis response and post-crisis reunification are used in more than 45,000 schools, districts, departments, agencies, organizations and communities around the world. They are created through the research-based best practices of school administrators, psychologists, public space safety experts, families, and first responders.

There are five safety protocols used in our school. Each protocol has a different scenario and reason for being used. On the following page you will find information about the five protocols and what they are used for. One important thing to note is that issues that require a "Hold" protocol would not trigger a parent notification, as "Holds" are used only for situations that do not affect the safety of the school. The "Hold" protocol is for situations where the personal privacy and/or dignity of an individual in the school is trying to be protected to the extent possible. All other protocols would include a parent notification.

The safety responsibility for our students is one that includes both the school and the parents. Here are some of the ways that we share our responsibilities:

School Staff Safety Responsibilities

- Annually review all safety protocols at the beginning of the year and periodically through the year so they are prepared.
- Practice specific drills during the year to ensure all are familiar with what would happen in an emergency.
- Keep parents informed of any situation that directly affects the safety of the school and its students.

Parent Safety Responsibilities

• Ensure all contact information, including emergency contacts, is always current in Alma. If you are not sure how to do this, please come to the school office so we can help you navigate this.

Emergency Reminders

• Stay Calm

- We discuss and practice emergency procedures numerous times throughout the school year, so we are prepared.
- Being calm in an emergency ensures that all involved remain safe and well cared for.
- Be Ready
 - Always keep your student's emergency contact information updated with the school. This includes ensuring the phone numbers are in working order.
 - When you get the alert through school messenger, be ready to listen to the instructions given and write down important information given in the message.
 - If we must evacuate and relocate to a new location, bring your driver's license or other form of ID to pick up your child. There will be emergency personnel helping in the event of an emergency, so this will be essential.
 - Do not try to call the school or your student's teacher, as all school personnel will be busy taking care of the students and ensuring their safety.
- Be Patient
 - Reunification with your student will take time in a true emergency.
 - Know we have a specific procedure in place for emergencies that we will follow.

School Safety Protocols

Protocol	Overview
Hold No Parent Notification	This protocol is used in a situation where privacy and/or dignity of an individual in the school is needed, such as a medical emergency or an individual student issue that other students should not witness. This protocol can also be used if there is an issue within the building that needs to be addressed before students can move about the building freely, such as a burst pipe. During this time students remain in their area and continue with their instruction or activities until the all clear is given by the office.
Secure Parent Notification	This protocol is used when there is a situation where students need to remain in or return to the building due to an outside threat. For example, this would be used if the school was alerted by law enforcement of an individual they are pursuing in the area. This protocol is used to ensure the school is secure and is monitored closely by school administration and NM police in the event the outside situation escalates, and the school must be placed on a lockdown. During this time students remain inside the building and continue with their normal instruction or activities until the all clear is given by local law enforcement.
Lockdown Parent Notification	This protocol is used when there is a situation that involves a direct threat to the school, such as an active shooter. During this time all building activity ceases and emergency personnel are alerted. No one is allowed in or out of the school building during a lockdown, and all information about the situation is transmitted to parents through the school police department and/or administrators only. During this time, staff members' primary responsibility is to care for the students, so they will not communicate with parents directly.
Evacuate Parent Notification	This protocol is used when there is a situation that requires students to exit the building, such as a fire where responders are called.
Shelter Parent Notification	This protocol is used when there is a situation where students must take cover in the building, such as a tornado directly approaching the school.