

Elementary Rustler News

December 2023

Christmas Concerts

Here is the schedule of our school's Christmas concerts-

Friday, December 1 at 7:00 pm Grades Kinderstart through 4th Grade

Monday, December 4 at 7:00 pm Grades 5-6

Students should arrive and be in their seats with their classmates and school staff before 6:55 pm.

I am looking forward to great events, as the students have been working hard on their performance pieces.

Merry Christmas!

It is hard to believe we are nearly halfway through our school year! We have had an amazing first semester, and I am looking forward to the promises of a new calendar year. As we embrace the Christmas season, I want to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for your support and active involvement in your children's education. Thank you for being valued members of our Elementary Rustler Team!

Food Drive

I am writing this newsletter after Day 2 of our Elementary Food Drive. So far, we have collected 366 items. Thank you so much for your donations and generosity!

Midterm Report Cards

Midterm report cards will be sent home this week.

Important Upcoming Dates

- December 1 at 7:00 pm Grades Kinderstart through 4th grade Christmas concert
- December 4 at 7:00 pm Grades 5-6 Christmas concert
- December 21 at 2:00 pm Dismiss for Christmas break
- January 4 Semester Two begins

Winter Gear

Please make sure your child brings winter gear to school each day, as the days have gotten colder. Winter gear includes hats, gloves/mittens, a winter coat, and snowpants/snowboots (when there is snow on the ground).

If your child is in need of any items, please let Mrs. B-K know. There are several organizations that donate winter gear to our school each year.

Snack Drive

As we enter the second semester, our supply of snacks for students who may not have any is getting smaller. If you would like to donate individually packed healthy snacks such as Goldfish, Rice Krispie bars, fruit snacks, cereal or granola bars, etc. please contact the school. We appreciate your support of our students!

BoxTops for Education

Remember cutting out box tops to help the school get free items such as playground balls? The program has become much simpler. Here are the steps-

Download the BoxTops app on your phone

Choose Miller Elementary School (look for Miller SD)

Scan your receipt on the app

Earn cash for the school!

You can go to BTFE.com for more information. You can enter to win \$1,000 for your family and \$1,000 for your school! On the BTFE website, go to Cash For You to see how you can enter!

Good luck and thank you for time and participation!

Giving Tuesday

Today is called Giving Tuesday when people "pay it forward" to help others. If you know of anyone that would like to help families, one way to do this is to donate funds toward unpaid lunch balances. This is a need that not many people may know about. If any organization or person would like to help out families in this way, please contact Mrs. B-K.

Students' generosity and behavior

I want to commend you on raising children who are generous and often thinking of others. I have witnessed several acts of kindness and groups of students who work together to donate toward good causes.

I am blessed to get to come to work every day to work with such great children, and I don't say this lightly. We have really good students who are good people. Thank you!

I am also blessed to work with such a great staff. Each team member cares about your children and works hard each day to help them be successful. Our 2023 Report Card from the South Dakota Department of Education can be found on our school website under District/District Reporting. I am very proud of the work put in by our students, staff, and parents to help our students achieve such good scores!

However, this is just one snapshot of student success. The other part is what I mentioned above- these students are great individuals, and I am very proud of them.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Contact us

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