



Richard E. Miller Elementary School  
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# MILLER MESSENGER

The mission of Richard E. Miller School is to provide all students with the mental, physical and social skills that will enable them to reach full potential in a rapidly changing society.

## Principal's March Message

Hello Firebird Families,

Hard to believe we are so close to the final quarter of our school year, when there is still so much to enjoy and look forward to. Our construction on campus is scheduled to be complete shortly after spring break and our new parking lot will officially be open! This will extend parking all the way to our new Head Start and KidSpace building and will also change our drop-off and pick-up locations before and after school. Be on the lookout for those changes shortly after spring break. We are excited to see the final product! ☺

Also, Thursday, March 1 is our annual Millerville Seuss-a-bration! Please bring your family and prepare for a night of enjoyment filled with books, games, prizes, pizza and our Book Fair! This will be a fun event for all and we look forward to celebrating with all of our families.

Also, this time of year we are getting close to AZMERIT testing time. Every minute in the classroom is valuable and our teachers and students are working tremendously hard to prepare our students to be successful. It is extremely important that our kids are coming to school, arriving on time and staying throughout the day. Every instructional minute counts! Students entering the classroom late or leaving early are not only disruptive to the class, but also takes away valuable minutes of instructional time. When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chances for graduating. Please work with us on getting your students here daily and on time.

Your grateful principal,  
Amanda Wilber

## TEACHER INTERVIEW FAIRS

Interviewing and issuing contracts for the 2018-2019 school year.

**March 15**  
**4:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

Apply at: [jobs.wedschools.org](http://jobs.wedschools.org)  
Questions? Call 602-347-2622  
Email: [teach@wedschools.org](mailto:teach@wedschools.org)

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## Richard E. Miller Calendar of Events

**REMINDER: EVERY WEDNESDAY IS EARLY  
DISMISSAL AT 1:00 P.M.**

MARCH	
02/28-03/10	Girls Basketball Tournament TBD
03/01	Girls Basketball vs Sunburst 4:00 p.m. at Cholla Middle School
03/01	Title I Literacy Night 5:00-7:00 p.m.
03/01	Book Fair opens 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
03-01-03/09	Book Fair week
03/05-03/09	National Breakfast Week
03/02	Read Across America Day
03/08	Governing Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.
03/13	Site Council 4:00 p.m.
03/16	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip 9:00 a.m. Musical Instrument Museum
03/17-03/25	SPRING BREAK - NO SCHOOL
03/27-04/03	AZMERIT Testing



Millerville Seuss-a-bration!

Come join us on Thursday, March 1  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Listen to wonderful tales, take home a book of your own, play games, have fun and win prizes! You will be happy you didn't stay home!  
**FREE PIZZA, drink and a cookie!**



Thursday, March 1, 5:00-7:00 p.m.  
Monday, March 5, 7:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 6, 7:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, March 7, 7:10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.  
Thursday, March 8, 7:10 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Friday, March 9, 7:10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

For more information or to shop online:

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/richardemillerelemschool>  
If you would like to volunteer, please contact Renee

Morrison at: (602) 347-3009 or at  
[renee.morrison@wedschools.org](mailto:renee.morrison@wedschools.org)

Volunteers for 2+ shifts receive \$10 gift certificate to use at the Book Fair.

## ATTENDANCE LINE

602-347-3015

Available 24/7

Don't forget to call the attendance line when your student will be absent and please state the reason.



## REM Essential 32 Rules

The Richard E. Miller student and social services team are focused on a school-wide theme of **RESPECT**. . . . **respect for others, respect for self, respect for authority and respect for property**. To encourage RESPECT, Richard E. Miller has established "The REM Essential 32" using a modified version of Ron Clark's program. The REM essentials are rules that encourage social, oral and emotional development. The rules will be listed in each month's newsletter. We hope you will encourage the use of the rules at home and outside of school.

Rules covered during **March**:

**Rule 25:** No matter what the circumstances, always be honest.

**Rule 26:** Accept that you will make mistakes. Learn from the mistakes and move on.

**Rule 27:** Surprise others by performing random acts of kindness. At least once a month, go out of your way to do something kind and generous for someone.

## WESD Art Show

ASU West Fletcher Library

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

on display March 1 - March 27, 2018

Evening event March 27, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.



## Students of the Month

Congratulations to our January

Students of the Month!

### Kindergarten

Jannel D.

Neri B.

Kimberly S.

Alasia G.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Ferney L.

Kiera V.

Eric O.

Hazel-Rose C.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Kendall (KJ) S.

Mia A.

Adelissa T.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Adrenah M.

Alyzia R.

Jayla B.

Victoria G.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Gisselle O.

Devin Y.

Daiveion H.

Tai'shaun G.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Katelyn K.

Michael E.

Diego E.

## GIFTED SERVICES

Washington Elementary School District provides a continuum of services for students identified as gifted. Testing for placement in the gifted program takes place three times a year on ALL campuses. If you feel your child demonstrates the traits of a gifted learner, please complete the screening form found on the Gifted Services website ([www.wesdschools.org/Page/18](http://www.wesdschools.org/Page/18)) or contact your child's teacher to arrange for testing. A brochure describing services provided to gifted students and a list of common characteristics can be found on the website as well. Feel free to call or email the Coordinator of Gifted Services, Dr. Jason McIntosh, with any questions you may have ([jason.mcintosh@wesdschools.org](mailto:jason.mcintosh@wesdschools.org) / 602-347-2651). The gifted teacher on your campus can be reached by email at [Carolyn.King@wesdschools.org](mailto:Carolyn.King@wesdschools.org) or by phone at 602-347-3057 as well.

## GENERAL REMINDERS:

### Health Office

Parents, please do not send cough drops or medications into the health office without completing the health consent form. The consent form must be signed by parent and/or guardian.

Parents of K-2 students, please send an extra set of clothing with your child in their backpack for emergencies. Thank you very much.

**Immunization Reminder:** If you have a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student, please remember they need the Meningococcal and Tdap if their birthday is between January - August, 2018.

### Temporary ID Badges

If your student has used a temporary ID badge in the last several weeks, we ask that you PLEASE return it to the front office. You may need to purchase a new one for your student. They are \$5.00. Thank you!

### Breakfast

Breakfast is served daily in the classroom from 7:30 - 7:40 a.m. Please be sure student arrives at school on time to participate.

### Birthday Celebrations

We are happy to have our students celebrate their birthday at school.

Please remember:

\* Call the teacher and arrange ahead of time.

\* Cupcakes, cookies, single item treats are the easiest to share. Please no cakes - too hard to cut and serve, especially to our younger students.

\* Please no balloons - too much distraction in the classroom learning environment.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!