



Mansfield Elementary School Take Home Notices Week Ending August 29, 2025

Dear Families,

A warm welcome back to school! We've had an incredible start to the year and are thrilled to collaborate with you to foster a supportive and engaging learning environment for your child. Each week, we'll share our digital take-home notices, so please take a moment to review them to stay informed about school and community events. Let's make this year one filled with growth, discovery, and shared success!

Warmly,
Kate and Becky

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MES Save the Dates 2025-2026



Date	Time	Event
August 26	Grades K & 1: 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM Grades 2, 3, & 4: 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Teacher Meet and Greet
August 28	8:55 AM - 3:35 PM	First Day of School for K-4
August 28	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	Pre-K Visit Day
August 29	8:55 AM - 3:35 PM	First Day of School for Pre-K
September 01	N/A	No School
September 10	During School	Picture Day
September 10	Last Name A-M: 5:30 PM - 6:10 PM Last Name N-Z: 6:20 PM - 7:00 PM	Open House
September 19	N/A	No School
September 29	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	PTO Meeting
October 13 & 14	N/A	No School
October 18	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Harvest & Heritage Festival
October 28	During School	Picture Retake Day
November 04	N/A	No School
November 10	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	PTO Meeting
November 24 & 25	November 24: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM November 25: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Fall Conferences
November 24, 25, & 26	8:55 AM - 12:45 PM	Early Dismissal
December 12	During School	PJ Day for the Kids
December 23	8:55 AM - 12:45 PM	Early Dismissal
December 24 - January 02	N/A	No School



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Date	Time	Event
January 12	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	PTO Meeting
January 19	N/A	No School
January 24 Snow Date: January 31	Pre-K, K, & 1: 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Grades 2, 3, & 4: 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Snow Ball Dance
February 11	5:30 PM & 6:30 PM	Grade 2 Music Concert
February 13 - 17	N/A	No School
March 11, 12, & 13	8:55 AM - 12:45 PM	Early Dismissal
March 11, 12, & 13	March 11: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM March 12: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM March 13: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Student Led Conversations and Celebrations (SLCCs)
March 30	8:55 AM - 3:35 PM	PTO Meeting
April 08	5:30 PM	Grade 3 Music Concert
April 13 - 17	During School	No School
May 02	1:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Book Festival
May 04 - 08	During School	Staff Appreciation Week
May 21	5:30 PM	Grade 4 Music Concert
May 25	N/A	No School
June 08	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM	PTO Meeting
TBD	During School	Field Day
TBD	TBD	4th Grade Promotion
June 12	8:55 AM - 12:45 PM	Last Day of School & Early Dismissal Tentative, will change with any school closures



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MPS Calendar



Morning Drop Off Procedures

Please review our drop off expectations below. Please share these expectations with anyone who may drop off your student(s). These are designed to keep all students and staff safe. If for any reason you need to have different accommodations, please contact the office @ MESOffice@mansfieldct.org

Morning Drop Off Procedures for Families and Students:

- **Drop-Off Window:** The drop-off period will begin at 8:40 and end at 8:55 a.m. *Students should all be out of vehicles by 8:55.*
- **Stay in Lane:** Please stay in the designated car line and ***do not pass vehicles.***
- **Students Exit on the Sidewalk Side:** For student safety, students will be required to exit vehicles on the sidewalk side only. If possible, ***please install car seats behind the passenger seat.***
- **Adults remain in Vehicles:** For all other students, we request that adults remain in the car to maintain the flow of traffic and prioritize safety. *Our staff will support students that need assistance in exiting their vehicles.*
- **Readiness for Drop-Off:** All school belongings should be prepared and accessible to the student before arriving at the drop-off point.
- **Assistance for Small Children:** Families needing assistance with small children (**PreK**), may have one adult exit the car. **Students in K-4 should be exiting the vehicle without family assistance.** Staff will support students.
- **Maximizing Drop-Off Space:** Pull to the furthest point staff direct you to.
- **Keep the Crosswalk Clear:** Please keep the crosswalk clear.
- **Be attentive to surroundings:** Please stay off phones or other distractions while in the drop off line.
- **Be patient:** The safety of our drop off depends on you- be patient with staff and families as we adjust to our routines.

We know some mornings are more challenging than others, therefore, if on occasion, you need more time in the drop off line please pull into a parking space. Once your child is ready you may walk them across the crosswalk. **Working together we can ensure a safe start to the day for our students!**

*VEGETARIAN ITEM

SEPTEMBER 2025 LUNCH MENU

MANSFIELD ELEMENTARY



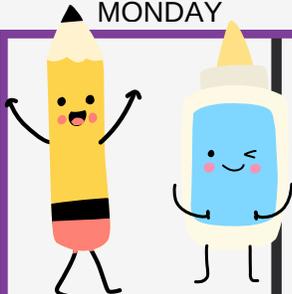
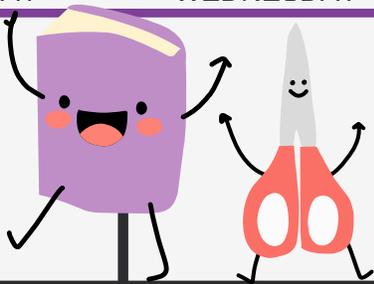
YOU CAN ADD FUNDS TO YOUR STUDENT'S ACCOUNT ONLINE (FEES APPLY) AT LINQCONNECT.COM OR AVOID THE FEES BY SENDING CASH OR CHECK IN TO SCHOOL.

COMPLETE LUNCH \$ 3.50
MILK ONLY \$0.50

ALL ENTREES ARE SERVED WITH:

- FRUIT (FRESH, CANNED AND DRIED) AND
- ASSORTED FRESH VEGGIES AND
- LOCAL MOUNTAIN DAIRY MILK CHOICES:
FAT-FREE CHOCOLATE FLAVORED MILK,
OR 1% PLAIN MILK

NO SAD LUNCHESES! PLEASE ENCOURAGE KIDS TO ASK IF THEY NEED SOMETHING. WE ARE HAPPY TO HELP!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		<p>AUGUST 28 CHEESE* OR PEPPERONI PERSONAL PIZZA AND FRESH VEGETABLE STICKS WITH OUR RANCH DIP</p>	<p>AUGUST 29 ALL BEEF OR VEGGIE BURGER* ON A BUN WITH ROASTED POTATOES</p>	
1 SCHOOL CLOSED	2 DEEPLY ROOTED VEGAN CHILI* WITH BAKED TORTILLA CHIPS AND SEASONED BLACK BEANS	3 OUR OWN MACARONI & CHEESE* WITH ROASTED LOCAL ZUCCHINI	4 PEPPERONI OR CHEESE* PIZZA SLICE WITH STRAWBERRY SPINACH SALAD	5 CT MAPLE FRENCH TOAST BAKE WITH OUR OWN SEASONED HOME FRIES
8 GRILLED CHEESE* WITH OUR OWN TOMATO SOUP	9 CHICKEN FAJITA WITH ROASTED PEPPERS & ONIONS MEXICAN INSPIRED GREEN BEANS	10 OUR OWN RAMEN NOODLE BOWL WITH CHICKEN OR STEAMED EDAMAME* AND BROCCOLI	11 CHEESE FILLED BREAD STICKS* AND MARINARA WITH LEMONY CHICKPEA SALAD	12 PULLED BBQ TURKEY SLIDER ON A WHOLE GRAIN ROLL AND RODEO CORN SALAD
15 CHICKEN TENDERS WITH BAKED SWEET POTATO AND BUTTERED NOODLES	16 BEEF OR JUST BEAN* CHILI & CHEESE WITH BAKED TORTILLA CHIPS AND CONFETTI CORN SALAD	17 PASTA & MEATBALLS WITH MARINARA SAUCE AND GARLIC GREEN BEANS	18 ALL BEEF HOT DOG WITH NEW ENGLAND BAKED BEANS	19 CHEESE PIZZA* BITES AND LOCAL LETTUCE SALAD WITH OUR RANCH
22 ALL BEEF OR VEGGIE BURGER* WITH LETTUCE & TOMATO ON A ROLL WITH LOCAL ROASTED CARROTS	23 JUST CHEESE QUESADILLA* WITH SALSA AND MEXICAN-STYLE ZUCCHINI AND CORN	24 OUR OWN MACARONI & CHEESE* WITH ROASTED BROCCOLI	25 CHEESE OR PEPPERONI PIZZA SLICE WITH HUMMUS AND VEGGIES TO DIP	26 MIDDLE EASTERN INSPIRED CHICKEN SHAWARMA WITH BROWN RICE AND GARLIC ROASTED POTATOES

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER.
DAILY ALTERNATES: SUN-BUTTER & JELLY, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY OR TURKEY & CHEESE SANDWICHES



BREAKFAST MENU

August to December 2025

Grab & Go Breakfast
\$ 1.50 (with Milk)
Milk only \$0.50

MON Zee Zee's Breakfast Bar

TUES  Muffin
Whole grain rich, choices such as blueberry, chocolate chip, banana and more

WED Glazed Honey Wheat Bar

THURS Warm Cinnamon Roll 

FRI Seasonal Breakfast Breads
Whole grain rich breakfast breads, choices may include lemon, pumpkin, banana and chocolate

Breakfast Includes:

1. Choice of Milk: Fat Free or 1%
2. Fruit Selection
3. 100% Fruit Juice



Menu subject to change without notice. This insitution is an equal opportunity provider

MES Family Pickup Badges



What

Badges to help us identify who you are picking up

Who

Whoever is picking up your child from MES should have a badge

When

During parent pickup at the end of the day

Where

Keep your badge in an easily accessible area in your car

Why

To help expedite the dismissal process

How

To get a replacement badge, send a request to mesoffice@mansfieldct.org

SUMMER!

MES APPAREL

T-SHIRTS, HOODIES, CREW NECKS, LONG SLEEVES, WATER BOTTLES, MUGS, & HATS

**ORDERS DUE BY 8/30/2025
DELIVERY ESTIMATE: 10/1/25**



[HTTPS://GIVEBUTTER.COM/MES-SHIRT](https://givebutter.com/mes-shirt)

Ssssaay HI to our new MES Rock Snake!



Paint a rock at home and bring it to school to add to our MES snake and help it grow!

Which snake head should we use?

Students will have a chance to submit their vote during our open house on **September 10th** to pick our MES snake head and name it as well. Results of the vote will be revealed during morning announcements and delivered to the campus the following day.



**LET'S GROW SOMETHING
AWESOME TOGETHER!**



MES FAMILIES
SAVE YOUR

PENNIES!



THUNDER THE TIGER'S

PENNY WAR IS COMING UP!

*PENNIES and paper money add points for your grade and
SILVER COINS sabotage other grades!*

Start Date:

**WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 10TH**

Finish Date:

**WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 24TH**

*All proceeds support MES PTO
programs & events*



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MES PTO

Harvest & Heritage Festival!

JOIN US

OCT. 18th

1pm - 4pm

Join us for a delightful celebration of the bountiful autumn season and celebrate the diversity among our school community at this years Harvest & Heritage Festival!

**Activities, Crafts, Face painting,
Food, Games, Raffles, & More**

**Together, WE
are MES!**



Kids can "travel the world" and get their passports stamped once they visit and complete an activity at each represented nation/destination.



MES Voulnteer
sign up

GET INVOLVED WITH THE

HARVEST & HERITAGE FESTIVAL!

Saturday, October 18 • 1-4 PM



**Our 3rd Annual Fall Celebration is getting a
global twist!**

**This year, we're combining our classic Fall Festival fun with
cultural stations that celebrate the amazing diversity of MES
families!**

**Students will "travel the world" with a passport and visit booths
where they can explore games, crafts, fun facts, and food
samples from around the globe.**

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

HOST A CULTURAL STATION

**Design and run a simple booth with a
fun craft, activity, display, or tradition
from your family's heritage. We'll
provide a table—just bring your ideas!**

VOLUNTEER AT THE FESTIVAL

**Help run games, activity stations, or
assist with setup and cleanup.**

DONATE EVENT SUPPLIES

We're looking for donations of:

- Apple Cider (gallon jugs)
- Bottled Water (cases)
- Apple Cider Donuts (dozens)

DONATE CULTURAL FOOD SAMPLES

**Bring a small dish (store-bought or
homemade) to share your culture
through food. Please label ingredients.**

PERFORM OR DEMO

**Dance, music, story telling, language -
whatever represents your culture best.**

SIGN UP HERE:



**QUESTIONS? Email the PTO
at mansfieldtigersPTO@gmail.com**

CONNECT WITH CLASSMATES! SCAN HERE TO JOIN THE FAMILY DIRECTORY



<https://forms.gle/5e1acdi7eMjSEtjYA>

1

OPEN YOUR
PHONE
CAMERA

2

SCAN THIS
QR CODE

3

FILL OUT FAMILY
DIRECTORY
FORM

4

WAIT FOR
DIRECTORY
RELEASE

The Family Directory is to help families connect and build community. It's great for playdates, birthday invites, and more. Participation is optional — just share what you're comfortable with.