

Miller Elementary School

Principal: Blair Klco Student Support Coordinator: Torian Billings

Dear Miller Families,

Congratulations on a very successful start to the school year. It was great to see so many families during the Meet and Greet afternoons over the course of the week and I know the teachers really enjoyed being able to see so many of you face to face.

This week there definitely was a learning curve for all of us as well as some adjustment time as we got used to being back at school. Next week teachers will continue to work with all of the students to get comfortable with the technology as well as get to know each other. You will also begin to see some more academic activities taking place with your children. As we move into next week please continue to have conversations with your children around digital citizenship and behavior during their live meetings.

<u>Digital Citizenship Resources</u>

- APA: Promoting Healthy Technology Use for Our Children
- Parents Ultimate Guide to YouTube

Zoom Meeting Etiquette

- Be ready to learn just like at school, have your materials ready, grab a snack and water bottle, and use the bathroom before the meeting starts.
- Stay in one spot during the meeting
- Find a quiet spot try to set up in a spot with limited distractions if possible or with headphones if sharing the space.
- Know when and how to mute
- Wait your turn the teacher has shared the signal to use when a student would like to speak or share their ideas. Such as raising their hand. Ask your child what the signal is for their class.
- Be respectful during your zoom meeting act like you would in your class at school.

Pre-Order Application for Meal Benefits

- The USDA has announced FREE breakfast and lunch for ALL children 0-18 years
 of age and up to age 26 for a student within the Individualized Education
 Program (IEP). Families will receive five breakfasts and five lunches at the
 following sites, while supplies last every Tuesday:
 - Starkweather Academy -10 am-12 pm
 - Discovery Middle School 1 pm-3 pm
 - Liberty Middle School 4 pm-6 pm
 - Salem High School 5 pm- 7 pm



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- Pre-ordering meals is strongly encouraged. Enrolled P-CCS Families can reserve their meals by completing the pre-order at: https://www.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome
- The online application for free and reduced benefits is https://frapps.horizonsolana.com/PLYC01
 - Benefits expire on 10-21-2020 if not renewed.

<u>Chromebook Distribution</u>

- Families are still able to obtain a district device (iPads for K-2nd grade students and Chromebooks for 3rd 5th grade students).
 - Log into MISTAR Parent Portal and look for the red "Back to School Registration" link in the upper-right corner of the home screen and then follow the prompts. Parents can sign up for a student device in one of the modules. Students must meet ALL of the eligibility requirements identified in the Chromebook/iPad Take-Home Participation Agreement
 - Email miller.technology@pccsk12.com for pick up arrangements. Devices will be available at Discovery Middle School. Be sure to include your student's name and ID number.

PCCS App on your Smartphone

• If you haven't downloaded the P-CCS APP on your smartphone yet, now is the time. Adding the app is fast and easy and will provide you with all the latest information about your school district. The app is free and provides several plug-ins designed with parents in mind. It gives you instant access to the P-CCS website, MiStar and other important resources. To download, just go to your respective app store and enter "Plymouth-Canton." One you have the app on your phone, you can choose to receive push notifications. This is the first place the district posts emergency messages and other necessary information, so you will want to be sure to get connected.

I hope you have a great weekend! We are Miller and We are Proud!

Sincerely, Blair Klco We are Miller and We are Strong