

# Mustang News

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## A Few Upcoming Events

- March 9-13, Spring PTA Book Fair.
- March 16-20, Spring Break.
- March 25, Spring Class Pictures
- April 16, Character Award Assembly
- May 21, Field Day
- May 25, Memorial Day. No School
- June 1<sup>st</sup>, Award Assemblies
- June 2<sup>nd</sup>, Award Assemblies
- June 3, Mustang Breakout
- June 4, Last Day of School. Early Release

If you have any questions, please contact us at 940-369-4500, [cleath@dentonisd.org](mailto:cleath@dentonisd.org), or stop by and say hello.

## A Note from Mr. Leath...

### Courage

In my last newsletter I briefly wrote about perseverance. I mentioned how important this habit is for us and our students. Another character quality that we think is important for our students to have is courage. I like how Angela Maiers defines this in the context of education. She states that "courageous learners understand that safe is risky. Success is the byproduct of taking risks, closing our eyes, saying I will not let fear hold me back, and taking the plunge. I want them to understand that it takes courage to address the voices in your head that echo doubts, questions, or other paralyzing thoughts." One of our teachers also put it this way "I think too that repeated failure and recovery build perseverance because you learn how great it feels to stick with something and succeed. Knowing that success is possible (by having stuck with something through to completion) will help to build courage. The excitement of working through a tough problem never gets old!"

### Inclement Weather Makeup

Thank you everyone for helping keep our students safe during this winter weather. As a result of two of the inclement weather days in February, Denton ISD will have school on April 3<sup>rd</sup> and April 6<sup>th</sup>.

### Closed Campus Days

Please be aware that due to state assessment test security procedures, we have to close the campus to all visitors on the following days. This includes parent volunteers and lunch visitors in all grade levels.

March 30. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Day 1  
March 31. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Day 2 & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading  
April 20. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math  
April 21. 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math  
April 22. 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science  
May 12. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading re-test

In addition to having a closed campus on the dates listed above, parents of students in grades 3-5, please do not schedule appointments for your children on the days of their STAAR test as we start administering the test at 8:00 am and they can last into the afternoon.