# MILLER SCHOOL

January 5, 2024



## January Character Trait—Be a Problem Solver

## **Dates to Remember**

Jan 10: Early Release Day- Dismissal @ 1:10 pm

Jan 15: No School- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Feb 7: Early Release Day- Dismissal @ 1:10 pm

Feb 19-23: No School- Winter Break

March 6: Early Release Day- Dismissal @ 1:10 pm

March 15: No School- Workshop Day

# Miller School Values

Treat others the way you want to be treated

Keep things neater or better than you found them

Do your best

Be safe

# **Principal's Desk**



Cold and flu season is upon us, and Miller School students and staff have felt the effects of various illnesses. Our attendance in December shows an average of only 89% of students attending, with students in grades Pre-K to 1 having the lowest attendance rate at 85%. While we always prefer that students attend school every day, it is important that children stay home when they are unable to learn due to feeling unwell or are contagious.

There are simple procedures we can all take to limit the spread of illness during this time. Please remind your child to wash their hands often and cover coughs and sneezes, and talk to your child's health care provider about getting any recommended vaccines. Some guidelines from our health staff for attending school include:

Vomiting, diarrhea: A child with these conditions must be kept at home until symptoms have resolved for 24 hours and the child is able to keep down food and liquid. Consult your doctor if fever and stomach pains persist or your child appears dehydrated.

Cold, sore throat, cough: Children average six to eight colds per year. If cold and cough symptoms are associated with a fever or they do not readily improve, call your doctor. Your child may attend school if they have no fever and are able to participate in instruction.

Fever: Your child may attend school with a temperature less than 100 degrees F. A child must be fever free, without the use of medication, for 24 hours before returning to school.

If a student attends school with any of the above symptoms, school personnel will call their parent and ask that the child be taken out of school.

Please furnish the office with the name and telephone number of two people the school may contact in an emergency if parents/guardians cannot be reached. Update this information as needed

After an illness, please do not request that your child remain indoors during recess or PE unless a doctor's note is provided. When a child is well enough to come to school, they should be able to participate in all regular school activities, unless a physician's note restricts activity.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school nurse, Miranda Jandreau, at 832-2103 or your child's doctor. Together, we can keep Miller School students and staff healthy and in school.

## **Medomak Middle School Wrestling**

MMS Wrestling begins on Wednesday, January 17 and is open to all RSU 40 students grades 5-8. Students interested in participating should sign up in the MMS main office. A current sports physical is required to start on January 17. Sports physicals are good for two years. Forms required: Sports Participation form, Concussion Information sheet, and COVID Consent form. Go to <a href="https://www.rsu40.org">www.rsu40.org</a>, click on "Programs", "Athletics", and then "Athletic Forms". FMI or to sign-up, contact Mr. Lash at 542-1475 or <a href="matthew\_lash@rsu40.org">matthew\_lash@rsu40.org</a>.

# Snack Donations Needed



Ideas: individually-wrapped crackers, granola bars, dried fruit, healthy chips, pretzels, popcorn, goldfish crackers, & animal crackers







When using ParentSquare to contact the office, please use "miller office" (no quotes) so all office staff will receive the messages.



**Changes to Dismissal Plans?** 

Please call the Office <u>BEFORE</u> 2:30 pm @ 832-2103

# **More Parent Reminders**

Student Drop Off @ 8:30 am
Classes Begin @ 8:45 am
Afternoon Pickups @ 3:10 pm
Dismissal to Buses @ 3:15 pm



NO last-minute office pickups after 2:45 unless emergency



#### **SEEKING**

## Big Brother/Big Sister Miller School Site-Based Mentoring Coordinator

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mid-Maine's (BBBSMM) Site-Based Mentoring program (SBM) matches high school students (Bigs) in one-to-one relationships with elementary school-aged youth (Littles).

They spend time together on Tuesdays from 3:15 - 4:15 at Miller School for one hour after school.

BBBSMM requires that these matches/after-school programs are supervised and supported at all times by a screened and trained adult volunteer known as the **Site Coordinator**.

What do coordinators do?

- Supervise weekly meetings between Bigs & Littles to ensure match quality, healthy relationship development, and child safety.
- Arrive approximately 15 minutes early to greet all Bigs & Littles and record attendance, distribute snacks, and supplies.
- Communicate with BBBS program staff weekly to share details of the program, attendance, questions, success, etc.

If interested, please contact BB/BS Program Manager Katelyn Robbins 207.518.8396 katelyn@bbbsmidmaine.org

## Our school district partners with Tooth Protectors, Inc. to offer preventative dental care here at school to students

### When:

During the last two weeks in January 2024 (Dates to be announced)

#### For Who:

Services are available for students with or without dental insurance

#### Cost:

Services are FREE to those with active MaineCare Insurance (be sure to provide insurance information on the permission form)

Fees available for self-pay patients

Tooth Protectors can bill other dental insurances

Tooth Protectors currently do not accept the following insurances: Harvard Pilgrim, Humana and Martins Point

Your child will receive the dental services you select on the permission form Please remember to pay or send in payment to the school PRIOR to the date of the clinic

If you would like your child to receive this dental service, please complete and sign the Tooth Protectors Dental Permission Form, one per child, and return to the school as soon as possible

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You can fill out the Electronic Permission form and pay for services at this link below https://www.toothprotectors.org/permission-form/

Important: Be sure to complete the permission form, including providing insurance information.

Be sure to sign and date the form at the bottom

There are also Tooth Protectors Permission Forms in the Main Office of your child's school

Sign up today to help keep your child smiling!



#### **Tooth Protectors Inc.**

## School Dental Care Program Permission Form 2023-2024 School Year

Patient Consent & Medical/Dental History

P.O. Box 314 Lewiston, Maine 04243 Office (207) 513-1111 ToothProtectors.org

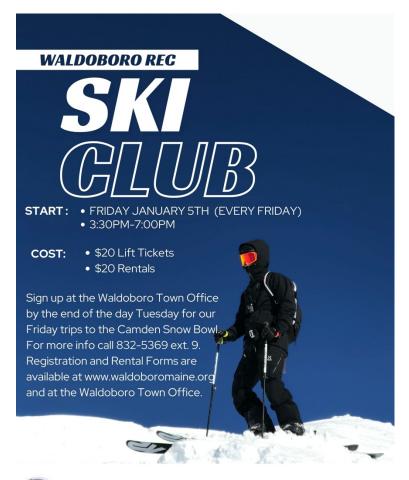


## THIS FORM PROVIDES PERMISSION FOR YOUR CHILD TO BE SEEN TWO TIMES DURING THIS 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR FOR DENTAL CARE. PLEASE FILL OUT ONE FORM PER CHILD TO BE SEEN

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Parent/Guardian PRINTED Name

Parent/Guardian SIGNATURE





Waldoboro Recreation More info at www.waldoboromaine.org

207-832-5369 ext. 9 rec@waldoboromaine.org



## **Lunch Calendar- January**

Milk is **FREE** for students who bring their own lunch



