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Dear MJMS Families,

We have had a busy, great week at school. With only two weeks until Thanksgiving break, we are trying to really buckle down to ensure students are on track and caught up. Please help us by checking grades in Skyward and communicating with teachers if your child is out due to sickness (there is a lot of it right now!). Also, remind your child that it's always a good idea to wash hands and use hand sanitizer. We need them well and present!

Here are a few updates:

- **Literacy Month:** We kicked off literacy month this week, and we will continue to have activities and talk about literacy all month. I completed my book reading, for anyone interested in listening. My reading is a hot mess in places, but I so enjoyed sharing one of my favorite middle-school books. In fact, I immediately started on another favorite, *Good Old Archibald*. You can find my channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@DrAngleMJMS> for all the videos.
- **Food Drive:** We are doing a joint food drive with West Wilson, leading up to our game against them Monday. 6th MJ/WW is competing against 7th MJ/WW and 8th MJ/WW for the most cans per grade level. The competition is to JOIN our schools together for a common purpose, supporting our larger community. Please consider sending in some canned goods Monday. I love that we are doing this together!
- **Pep Rally:** Please remember that we have our school-wide pep rally Monday. Eighth graders will be bussed over to the main campus and **will be dismissed from the middle school campus**. Be prepared for extra traffic, and use the bus this day if at all possible.
- **Happy MJ Holiday:** Our Drama Club is presenting its holiday performance on December 2 and 3. Doors open at 5:30 and show is at 6:30. Please come and support our students. I've seen some rehearsals, and it's going to be a fun evening!
- **Limo to CiCis:** We are aiming for early December to celebrate with students who sold 20 boxes of cookies. When we have confirmed the date, I'll let you know and we will send home permission slips.

- **Activity Bus:** Parents of 8th grade athletes, please talk to your students about behavior on the athletic bus. I have worked VERY hard over the past 2+ years to get this service consistent for our students, and we already have some problems with rowdy behavior. The buses are crowded with athletes, club members, and regular riders. It's a short drive, and they all need to sit down, be quiet, and behave on the trip over.

Have a great weekend. We have two more weeks to bear down before Thanksgiving, so help us keep the momentum going!

Bear Pride in the Middle,

Candis Angle

Looking Forward:

- Purchase a yearbook! They are now \$50 at https://yearbookforever.com/schools/mount_juliet_middle_school_buy_yearbook_332898/jEmMYu3aQoB7rropP5PIbE70
- Sports dates and times are on our website at www.wcschools.com/mjms
- November 7: Pep Rally - 8th grade will shuttle over and end their day at MJMS campus. BOLO for more traffic at pickup.
- November 8: No school for students
- November 15: Math materials review at the district office
- December 2-3: Happy MJ Holiday drama club event
- December 8: Coming Home basketball game
- December 13: Band/Choir Concert at GHHS