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GREETINGS FROM MR. WALLACE!

I can't believe winter is here already! The students at Crestview have been making tremendous strides in their education this semester and I am very proud of all of their hard work.

As we approach winter, I would like to take the time to remind everyone about the district's inclement weather policy and procedures. School may start two hours late; students may be released early; or classes may be canceled entirely due to inclement weather. North Kansas City School District will communicate these changes with parents via the following:

- District Website: www.nkcschools.org
- School Messenger: Phone, email, and or text message
- Social Media: Facebook and Twitter
- Radio & TV: Local stations will announce changes

Also remember that students go outside for recess unless the temperature is 25 degrees or below. Please remember to dress your child warmly with a coat, hat, and gloves.

Arrival and Dismissal Reminders

1. There is no adult supervision nor are students allowed to enter the building until our doors open at **8:45am**. Students should not be dropped off or left unattended prior to this time.
2. Parents should remain in their cars in the car rider line for arrival and dismissal.
3. **Transportation changes** need to be communicated to the front office **no later than 30 minutes prior to dismissal** so that students are in the correct dismissal area.

Attendance

Regular school attendance is not only important to ensure that your student is getting the instruction time that is needed, it is an expectation of the school district that all students have an average attendance percentage of 95%.

A big thank you to our staff and PTA for supporting student attendance with daily, weekly and monthly attendance incentives. Students with 100% attendance for the month of December will be invited to participate in a "Pie The Principal" Party!

Thank you,
Mr. Wallace, Principal

CHARACTER FOCUS FOR DECEMBER

DO THE RIGHT THING

The Positive Behavior Supports (PBS) character focus for the month of December is "**Do The Right Thing.**" During the month, students will get to have lessons on behavior that demonstrates this focus. At the end of December classrooms will select two students to be honored at our PBS assemblies! These students will also get to have a donut breakfast with the principals!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 4 – PTA Roasterie Fundraiser Due
- December 5 – Individual Picture Re-Takes
Be sure to bring your originals to exchange!
- December 6 – Early Release @ 3:35pm
- December 11 – PTA Fundraiser Pick-up
- December 11 – PTA Winter Wonderland
Join us for a fun filled night – 5:30 – 7:30pm!
- December 12 – STUCO Meeting @ 4:10-5pm
- December 13 – Early Release @ 3:35pm
- December 13 – PTA Skate Night @ 6-8pm
Join us at the Winewood Skate Center
- December 20 – NO Early Release
- December 20 – PTA Meeting @ 6pm
- December 21 – Atten-DANCE Party @ 9:15am
Be here on time to join in the fun!
- December 21 – Early Dismissal @ 12:30 pm
- December 22-January 6 - NO SCHOOL
- January 7, 2019 – SCHOOL RESUMES

CHECK US OUT!

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FACEBOOK @CrestviewCheetahs



COUNSELOR CORNER

This time of the year is filled with good food, friends, family and memories. As adults we understand the stress the holidays can bring. Our children can experience stress as well during this time. This can cause temper tantrums, interrupted sleep and even illness.

Here are a few tips to help your children enjoy the holidays:

- **Talk to them:** Explain plans for the day in advance, so kids know what to expect
- **Stick to a routine:** It can be hard to stay on schedule, but when possible, try to follow your normal routine.
- **Let Children help:** Children are less likely to meltdown if you include them in your plans
- **Plan ahead:** A big part of the holiday stress involves traveling, and that can mean long waits. Plan ahead to have games and other activities on hand for children.
- **Remember that many children and adults experience a sense of loss, sadness or isolation during the holidays**
- **Kids still need to brush their teeth twice a day!**
- **Don't feel pressured to "over-spend on gifts."**
- **Most important of all, enjoy the holidays for what they are:** A time to enjoy with your family and friends!

As always, if you every need to talk to one of the counselors feel free to call or email:

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Cold vs. Flu

Flu and the common cold are both respiratory illnesses, but they are caused by different viruses. Because these two types of illnesses have similar symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between them based on symptoms alone.

Signs and Symptoms	Influenza	Cold
Symptom onset	Abrupt	Gradual
Fever	Usual	Rare
Aches	Usual	Slight
Chills	Fairly common	Uncommon
Fatigue, weakness	Usual	Sometimes
Sneezing	Sometimes	Common
Stuffy nose	Sometimes	Common
Sore throat	Sometimes	Common
Chest discomfort, cough	Common	Mild to moderate
Headache	Common	Rare

Above info compiled from the CDC

If you have additional questions/concerns, please feel free to call: Joan Mashburn 816-321-5073 - School Nurse