



red tailed hawks news

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Principal Wethers' Message:



Our students and staff continue to move through our second semester in the Virtual Learning environment. There is a lot of behind the scenes planning for when everyone can return to the site. The numbers are finally moving in the right direction, which gives us all hope that there is light at the end of the tunnel.

We need our students to remain engaged. As I personally visit virtual classrooms, most of our students are participating and turning in their work as required. Kudos to them for making the effort every day. Then, there are some of our students who will not turn on their cameras, or the students who come on for a few seconds and leave, or students who do not turn in any assignments. Our teachers need a way to evaluate student work so that they can give an honest assessment of the student's abilities. Parents, please check on your students and ensure they are doing their best. They need every bit of support we can give them. We are willing to accept pictures of work from the phone or drop offs at the front office. We can always put the work in the teacher's boxes and notify them as needed.

One of the most common things we hear from the students is how much they miss their friends. Our counselor has created Talk-Time Tuesdays and Thursdays for students to have supervised engagement with one another. It is not as fun as recess, but it is a way to see their friends and do something fun.

We miss you Red Tailed Hawks!

Mrs. Wethers and the staff at Rail

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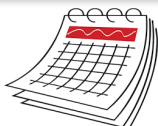
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Resource Links:

Community Flyers



Rail Ranch School Year Calendar

Parent/Student Handbook



Rail Ranch Website

Lunch Menu





Hawk Happenings



MATERIALS PICK UP DATES THIS MONTH:

Mon, 2/1- Kinder & Ms. Hensley
Tue, 2/2- 4th & Ms. Hamilton
Wed, 2/3- 1st & 5th
Fri, 2/5- 2nd & 3rd

MONDAYS- Curtis Karate Virtual Classes @ 3PM

2/1, 2/8, 2/15

TUESDAYS- Talk Time Tuesday grades 3-5 @ 12pm

2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23

THURSDAYS- Talk Time Thursday grades K-2 @ 12 pm MEAL PICK UP DAYS

2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25

2/2, TUESDAY- Latino Parent Advisory Council @6:30pm (see flyer for details)

2/9, TUESDAY- 1st GRADE VALENTINES PICK-UP DAY

2/9, Tuesday- Rail Ranch African-American Parent Advisory Council Meeting (AAPAC) @ 5 pm Virtual meeting (See flyer attached for details.)

FRIDAY, 2/12 - MONDAY, 2/15 - HOLIDAY PRESIDENT'S DAY WEEKEND

2/16, Tuesday- MVUSD AAPAC Black History Month celebration @ 6:30 pm Virtual meeting (see flyer attached for details)

Black History Month

Black History Month is the ancestor of "Negro History Week" which was started in 1926 by historian **Carter G. Woodson**. An intellectual of prodigious talent, Woodson attended such venerable institutions such as the University of Chicago (1907), the Sorbonne of Paris (1908), and received his Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1912. Through his research, he sought to recognize the accomplishments that Blacks had achieved in a variety of areas and was well-known for his work, *The Mis-Education of the Negro (1933)*. Over the years, Black history month has begun to take on a wider scope by including Blacks of the Diaspora. The saying goes, "Every month is Black History Month."



Daily Schedule:

8:00-12:00-

Live whole/small group instructional time- Times will vary based on individual teacher/class schedules.

Morning meeting (15-30 mins)

ELA Block (90-120 mins)

Math Block (90-120 mins)

12-12:45-

Teacher/Student Lunch Break

12:45-3:00-

Independent work, intervention groups, enrichment opportunities

Kinder Schedule:

AM

8-8:15-Beginning of Day Video

8:15-8:30- Meeting/check in

8:30-9:15- ELA whole/small groups

9:15-9:30- Break

9:30-10- Math Whole/small groups

PM

10-10:5-Beginning of Day Video

10:15-10:30-Meeting/check in

10:30-11:15-ELAwhole/small groups

11:15-11:30-Break

11:30-12- Math whole/small groups

12-12:45- Teacher Lunch



FEBRUARY 2021

Counseling Connection

Mrs. Nicole Vergara
nvergara@murrieta.k12.ca.us

Supports and Links

[Black History Month Virtual Library](#)

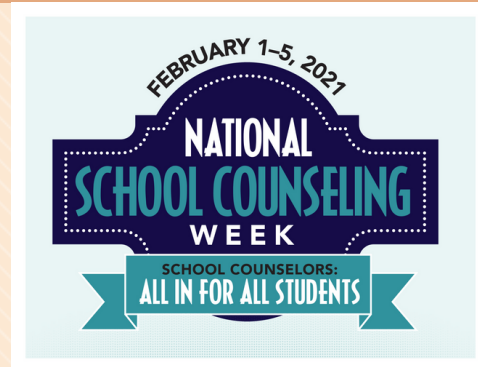
[February Affirmation Calendar](#)

[What Do School Counselors Do?](#)

[Counselor Check-In Form](#)

[Community Resources](#)

[Free Mental Health Concierge](#)



National School Counseling Week 2021, “School Counselors: All in for All Students,” sponsored by the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), will be celebrated from Feb. 1–5, 2021, to focus public attention on the unique contribution of school counselors within U.S. school systems and how students are different as a result of what school counselors do. National School Counseling Week highlights the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

The special week honoring school counselors provides recognition for school counselors who “implement comprehensive school counseling programs, a vital part of the educational process for all students as they meet the challenges of the 21st century.

As an Elementary Counseling Team we couldn't be more thrilled to serve the students in MVUSD. We love our students, families and staff!

Black History Month

Every February, people in the United States celebrate the achievements and history of African Americans as part of Black History Month. It honors all Black people from all periods of U.S. history. Among the notable figures often spotlighted during Black History Month are Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who fought for equal rights for Blacks during the 1950s and '60s; Thurgood Marshall, the first African-American justice appointed to the United States Supreme Court in 1967; Mae Jemison, who became the first female African-American astronaut to travel to space in 1992; and Barack Obama, who was elected the first-ever African-American president of the United States in 2008.



Coping Skill of the Month: Love Yourself!

When was the last time you told yourself you are awesome? When was the last you gave yourself credit for ALL the hard work you do everyday? Well, look no further, because during February we are focusing on positive things about ourselves. Instead of someone else giving you a compliment or encouragement; you should always encourage yourself first! We are challenging you to complete an affirmation calendar to be YOUR best self every day.



Our Mission

We are dedicated to help Latino families who want their children to succeed in school and life.

Nuestra Misión:

Estamos dedicados a ayudar a las familias Latinas que desean que sus hijos tengan éxito en la escuela y en la vida.



When: February 2nd, @ 6:30pm

Presentation:

- ❖ Presented by Tiffany Lockhart, Behavioral Health Team Member
- ❖ Mental Health, its impact on student learning and how parents can support their student's emotional needs.

District Updates:

- ❖ Returning to in-person instruction
 - Small groups on campus/cohorts and athletics.
 - All students
- ❖ School reports and staffing
 - SARC (School Accountability Report Cards)
 - Bilingual staff added to departments and school sites.

Parent Feedback:

- ❖ Virtual learning, "What is going well, what is a struggle, and how can we help?"

Zoom Meeting Link:

- ❖ The link will be sent separately via email.

Presentación:

- ❖ Tiffany Lockhart, Miembro del Equipo de Salud Conductual
- ❖ Salud mental, su impacto en el aprendizaje de su hijo(a) y como puede apoyar las necesidades emocionales de su hijo(a).

Actualizaciones del distrito:

- ❖ El regreso a la instrucción en persona
 - Cohortes y atletismo
 - Todos los estudiantes.
- ❖ Reportes escolares y cambios de personal.
 - SARC (Informe Escolar anual, por sus siglas en inglés)
 - Personal bilingüe agregado a los departamentos y sitios escolares.

Comentarios de padres:

- ❖ "¿Qué va bien?, ¿Qué es una lucha y cómo podemos ayudar con aprendizaje virtual?"

Enlace para junta en Zoom:

- ❖ El enlace se mandará aparte en un correo electrónico.

Questions, concerns or comments made be sent to the LPAC Coordinators: Elizabeth Hudson ehudson@murrieta.k12.ca.us or Gabriela Sosa gsosa@murrieta.k12.ca.us

Para preguntas, preocupaciones o comentarios pueden mandarse a las coordinadoras de LPAC.

Our future meeting dates

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Fechas para las próximas juntas

Martes, el 2 de febrero, 2021

Miércoles, el 10 de marzo, 2021



Rail Ranch Elementary

Rail Ranch Elementary AFRICAN-AMERICAN PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL AAPAC

MEETING DATE:

WHEN: Tues., Feb. 9th, 2021 5:00pm
WHERE: Virtual Zoom Meeting

How can we help?

How can we support each other?

Parents, We Need
Your Input For:
*Future Meeting
Dates

All Families Welcome!
Learn Equity Plans/District
Let us know how you are
doing and how we can
support.



African-American Parent Advisory Council:

The mission of the African-American Parent Advisory Council (AAPAC) is to support the academic and social-emotional growth of African-American students.

- Meeting will be held virtually on Zoom (RSVP to receive the link in an email)
- All families are welcome
- Send questions: mrucker@murrieta.k12.ca.us

AGENDA

Welcome/Introduction

Open Discussion for Parent/Guardian Discussion

Needs You Have/How are you and your family doing?

District-Wide Equity Update

Tamara Dewey (Coordinator of Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion at MURRIETA USD)

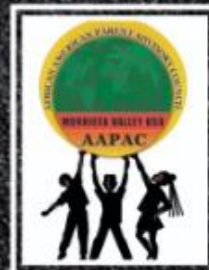
Tips for Finding Joy

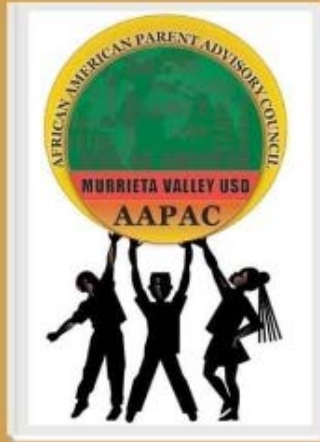
For more information on the Murrieta Valley USD AAPAC please go to:

<https://www.murrieta.k12.ca.us/AAPAC>

or Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/MVUSDAAAPAC>





**February 16, 2021, at 6:30 P.M.
Come Celebrate Black History Month
with
Murrieta Valley USD AAPAC**

**Join us as we announce
winners of the black history essay contest,
introduce the *AAPAC Family Cook Book*,
and
participate in the Black History Bowl!**

**Event will be virtual
RSVP**



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***Virtual Learning Meal Pack Information below, including:
Locations, Menu, Nutrition & Heating of items***

Meal Pack Pick-Up

FREE TO ALL ENROLLED MVUSD STUDENTS

Thursdays @ 12:15PM-6PM



Families may pick up meals from a single school site for all students in the family.

Reminder:

Student ID or ID number is required for all meal

**MEAL PACKS ARE FREE TO
ALL ENROLLED MVUSD STUDENTS...
WHY FILL OUT A MEAL APPLICATION?**

Filling out a meal application directly impacts the amount of funding the district receives, including computers & technology, support staff, and career tech programs

Benefits to families that qualify:

- Ensure benefits are in place the first 30 days of the next school year
- Allow fee waivers for some college application fees, SAT, ACT, AP testing fees, & transportation discounts
- May also be eligible for the Pandemic EBT from the State of CA
 - For more information on P-EBT, visit:
ca.p-ebt.org

**IF YOU THINK YOU MAY
QUALIFY, APPLY TODAY!**

To fill out an application, click below:

fma.murrieta.k12.ca.us



LOS PAQUETES DE COMIDA SON GRATUITOS PARA TODOS LOS ESTUDIANTES INSCRITOS EN MVUSD ...

¿POR QUÉ LLENAR UNA SOLICITUD DE COMIDA?

Completar una solicitud de comida afecta directamente la cantidad de fondos que recibe el distrito, incluidas las computadoras y la tecnología, el personal de apoyo y los programas de tecnología profesional

Beneficios para las familias que califican:

- Asegúrese de que los beneficios estén vigentes los primeros 30 días del próximo año escolar
- Permitir exenciones de tarifas para algunas tarifas de solicitud universitaria, SAT, ACT, tarifas de exámenes AP y descuentos en transporte
- También puede ser elegible para el EBT pandémico del estado de CA
 - Para obtener más información sobre P-EBT, visite: ca.p-ebt.org

SI CREE QUE PUEDE CALIFICAR, ¡SOLICITE HOY!

Para completar una solicitud, haga clic a continuación:

fma.murrieta.k12.ca.us





TUTORING OPPORTUNITY FOR 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS

PAPER - TUTORING SERVICE

MVUSD has partnered with a virtual tutoring service called Paper. This is a great opportunity for your student to receive extra support in their academics. Emails on how to register will be sent to your student's Office 365 email on Monday, November 2nd. Please review the videos linked below to learn more about Paper.

HOW DOES PAPER HELP STUDENTS - [CLICK HERE](#)

PAPER FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS - [CLICK HERE](#)

PAPER FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS (SPANISH) - [CLICK HERE](#)

PAPER FOR PARENTS WEBINAR - [CLICK HERE](#)

LIVE HELP IN SPANISH - [CLICK HERE](#)

**OPORTUNIDAD PARA
SERVICIOS DE TUTORÍA
PARA 4° Y 5° GRADO**

PROGRAMA DE TUTORÍA- PAPER

El distrito escolar del valle de Murrieta, MVUSD, se ha asociado con un servicio de tutoría virtual llamado Paper. Esta es una gran oportunidad para que su estudiante reciba más apoyo académicamente. Se le enviará un correo electrónico con instrucciones para registrarse al servicio a la cuenta Office 365 de su estudiante el lunes, 2 de noviembre. Favor de revisar los enlaces que se encuentran debajo de este mensaje para aprender más sobre el programa Paper.

¿QUÉ AYUDA LES BRINDA PAPER A LOS ESTUDIANTES? [HAGA CLIC AQUÍ](#)
PAPER PARA PADRES Y TUTORES- [HAGA CLIC AQUÍ](#)
PAPER PARA PADRES Y TUTORES EN ESPAÑOL- [HAGA CLIC AQUÍ](#)
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