



Newsletter

August 2017

Director's Corner

Parents,

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year at MDO!! I am so excited you are a part of the MDO Plus family. This is my eighth year at MDO and it keeps getting better and better. The summer was full of lots of fun and everyone in MDO and Construction Zone Elementary Summer camp stayed busy and active. I've been looking forward to starting our fall session and meeting all of our new families and seeing all of our returning families. The first week of school is always one of the craziest with new families, new teachers, and new routines. Thanks to our staff and families, it has been one of the smoothest.

Thank you to all of the families that came to our Open House on the 8th. We had a great turn out with 25 families coming to meet teachers and see classrooms. It was great getting to meet and see everyone. Our teachers and staff put in a lot of hours and hard work getting their classrooms ready for the Fall session.

This is your first newsletter of the school year. The newsletters are sometimes long but always contain a lot of great info for you. I hope you enjoy reading them and use it as a great way to stay informed about what is happening at MDO. Newsletters will be sent out via email and extra hard copies are available in the parent center, which is located outside my office diagonal from the staff photos/check-in computer.

If you did not make it to Open House or even if you did, a short bio about our staff will go out soon. I hope this will help you get to know our staff a little better. We have some

new staff and several returning staff. We have a lot planned for this year and hope that you jump in and participate.

MDO enrollment for the Fall/Spring looks great!! That is all in thanks to your "word of mouth" about our program. We do have a few openings left in Building Blocks class, birth month May 16, 2014-December 2014.

Please remember to clock your child(ren) in and out each day they are here and remember to observe the drop off and pick up times.

As always my door is open, please feel free to come by if there is ever a question, problem, or just to say hello!

Thank you for sharing your children with us!!

I look forward to a great school year!

-Ms. Amy

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Dates to Remember

August 9th-First Day of Fall MDO

**August 16th-First Day of School
for Rogers Public Schools**

**August 31st- Tuition Due
(because we started in the
middle of the month-ACH will be
done on the 15th and 20th like
usual)**

**September 1st- Scholastic Book
Order Due**

**September 5th-LABOR DAY-
Rogers Public Schools and MDO
CLOSED**

September 15th- Tuition Due

*****Looking Ahead*****

October

**School Pictures
Pumpkin Auction**

LABEL, LABEL, LABEL EVERYTHING!!!!

Everything your child brings to school needs to have his or her name on it. This includes sippy cups, blankets, sheets, lunch boxes, and back packs.

Label stations have been provided outside of classrooms for you to

label your child's belongings.



August BIRTHDAYS

7th-Aleyna Palos

8th-Emma Dell

9th-Evelyn Robinson

14th-Ms. Paula

15th-Ms. Laura

16th-Mr. Pablo

SCHOLASTIC

Book Orders due
September 1st

Check your mailboxes for order forms.

You can return completed forms with payment in the tuition box or you can visit

www.scholastic.com/readingclub

and use code **GY682** to order online.

All kids will go outside every day weather permitting. On extreme hot days, outside time will be limited or spent partly inside.

Please make sure your child has an extra change of clothes, season appropriate, at school. This should include a shirt, pants, underwear or panties, socks and an extra pair of shoes.

PLEASE APPLY SUNSCREEN TO YOUR CHILD BEFORE SCHOOL

REMINDER LATE CHARGES...

MDO hours are 9:00am to 2:00pm

MDO Plus hours are 7:15am-5:00pm

We do not accept children before 7:15am as teachers are preparing for the day.

Our late fee charge is \$3 per minute per child you are late picking up after 2pm or 5pm.

These charges will be added to your next bill

Please call or email if your child is going to be late coming to school or if you are going to be late picking up your child.

ARE YOU CLOCKING YOUR CHILD IN/OUT EACH DAY?

We are required by DHS to keep a record of all children present each day and who brings them to school and/or picks them up. This record is kept for 3 years. Everyone that checks in/out should have a fingerprint or a code. If you are not able to check your child in or out, please see Ms. Amy. The time clock is located outside Ms. Amy's office and looks like the picture below.



Have you turned in your Fall Packet of paperwork??

Even if you are a returning family, you still need to turn in new paperwork.

You should have turned in a new enrollment form, child info sheet, updated immunizations if your child's are not current, and a signed Family Handbook Acknowledgement form.

If you have any questions about the fall packet, please see Ms. Amy.



Per licensing, your child **MUST** have the following: a lunch following USDA guidelines **WITH** icepack, a full change of clothes, sheet **AND** blanket for nap everyday your child attends MDO.

In regard to lunches, your child **MUST** have the following: a protein, a fruit and/or veggie, a whole grain and a milk. A list of lunch ideas can be found in the parent center.

If your child does not have the above things when they are at MDO, you will be called to provide these items.

If we cannot get ahold of you and have to provide these items for your child, there will be a \$5 charge to your account.

Because we are a state licensed program, these items are essential to avoid any bad reports from licensing.



Our three older classes, Building Blocks, Stepping Stones and Kingdom Kids participate in Chapel on Wednesdays each week. Chapel for this fall will begin on August 30th. Each month has a theme and a chapel memory verse. Along with chapel, a "talk about" or recap is sent home with children each week. This year we are going to send home the "talk about at home" sheet with all of our families as a great devotional/prayer time. We hope you take the time to share the "talk about at home" with your family.

August will focus on **CHAPEL BASICS**

Be sure to check us out on the web @

www.fumcmdoplus.org

Our website has information about our program, copies of monthly newsletters, a Google calendar of dates, and pictures of our staff. Check it out!!

and

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Join us...

Worship Opportunities at FUMC:



Sunday Services are at 8:15 am & 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.

Weekly Wednesday night dinner begins at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall



We need pictures of our parents and authorized pick-ups. As part of our Risk Management plan for MDO, we include child information sheets for each classroom listing who can pick up and we would like to add pictures of our parents to go along with each child. These will just be candid photos and can be taken at drop off or pick up. We will be taking these pictures over the next couple of weeks. Thank you for helping us with this project!

Child Safety Recalls...

As a licensed facility we are required to keep up with all child safety recalls for toys, equipment, etc. If you would like to check out the recalls you can view them online at www.childproductsafety.com