

# Four Mile Elementary Family Zone



May 2024

# May is a BUSY Month at Four Mile!

- Thursday, May 2- First grade Blank Park Zoo field trip
- Monday, May 6 Friday, May 10- Teacher Appreciation Week!
- Monday, May 6- Friday, May 17- Spring FAST and aReading screening
- Monday, May 6- Kindergarten Doughnuts with Dads & Special Guests
- Tuesday, May 7- 4th Grade to Ames to see the production, Jungle Book
- Tuesday, May 7- 3rd Grade Field Trip- Yellow Banks Park
- Tuesday, May 7- Spring Creek RAMbassadors coming to visit FM 5th grade
- Thursday, May 9- Kindergarten Field Trip- Living History Farms
- Thursday, May 9-5th Grade Field Trip-Cinemark Movie Theater
- Monday, May 13- Kindergarten Muffins with Moms & Special Guests
- Thursday, May 16-5th Grade Field Trip- Meals from the Heartland
- Friday, May 17- Senior Breakfast
- Friday, May 17- ICE CREAM TRUCK DAY! Thanks PTA!
- Friday, May 17- Career Fair in the afternoon for grades 3-5
- Monday, May 20- Four Mile Olympics (K-5 @ 9:05)
- Tuesday May 21- PK End-of-Year Celebration in the gym
  - o AM-10:00-11:00
  - o PM- 2-3:00
- Wednesday, May 22-5th Grade Teachers vs 5th Grade Students Kickball game
- Wednesday, May 22- 5th Grade Tailgate with Mr. Steenhoek and Mr. Keuning
- Thursday, May 23- RAMS Celebration Stations at Four Mile
- Friday, May 24 Last Day of School and Report cards go home.
  - Special activities scheduled throughout the day
  - 12:30pm Kindergarten concert & graduation
  - 2pm 5th grade concert & celebration

# Four Mile Olympics Monday, May 20th 9:20-11:20 am

- \*Southeast Polk Stadium (located behind the junior high)
- \*Please remind your children to wear appropriate clothing/footwear.
- \*All Four Mile Families are invited to attend this event!

# Four Mile Elementary College and Career Week May 13-17

In response to National Decision
Day on May 1, we will celebrate
College and Career Week at Four
Mile during May 13-17. We will have
PK-5 Dress Up Days plus a Career
Fair during the school day on May
17 for grades 3-5. We thank our
Counselor, Mrs. Parrie, for planning
this fun week!

- Monday, May 13- We
   Dream to Succeed! (wear pajamas)
- Tuesday, May 14- You Can't Hide Our Potential (wear camouflage, browns, greens)
- Wednesday, May 15-College Spirit Day (wear a college, technology, Armed Forces shirt)
- Thursday, May 16- Career Dress Up Day (dress up as your future career)
- Friday, May 17- Your Future Starts Here! (Wear RAMS spirit wear)





# **Important Information**

# **Staff Updates**

#### Coming to Four Mile in 2024-2025

- Mrs. Rachel Davenport, School Administrative Manager, transferring from SEP Junior High
- Mrs. Cassie Farley, PE, transferring from Runnells Elementary
- Mrs. Whitnie Hutchinson, K-2 Special Education, transferring from Spring Creek
- Mrs. Amy Drake, Teacher Librarian, transferring from Mitchellville and Centennial Elementary. We will be sharing Mrs. Drake with the new Middle School.
- Mrs. Cayla Ringler, 1st grade, coming from Indianola Schools
- Ms. Maly Jordan, 1st grade, recently substituting at SEP, graduated from ISU in '23
- Ms. Funke is transferring from Four Mile Special Education to 1st Grade at Four Mile.
- Ms. Foster is transferring from Four Mile 2nd Grade to 4th Grade at Four Mile.
- Mr. Krause is transferring from Four Mile 3rd Grade to 2nd grade at Four Mile.

#### Leaving Four Mile at the end of our school year

- Mrs. Wandro, 1st grade, retiring
- Coach Kruse, PE, retiring
- Mrs. Danielson, 1st grade, transferring to Runnells
- Mrs. Bartels, transferring to Delaware and Clay
- Ms. Anna Wolvers, Floating Sub

# **Roster Requests**

MAY 1, 2024 is the deadline for parents/ guardians to make Roster Requests for the '24-25 school year. Even then, specific requests are not guaranteed. Thank you for understanding that rostering is complex process and the Four Mile staff works very hard to make sure that rosters are equitable.

# **Fall Dates**

Four Mile Fall Open House for PK-5 Families is Wednesday, August 21 from 4-6pm. The first day of school for K-5 students is Friday, August 23. The first day for PK students is Tuesday, September 3.

# PTA NEWS!

Our last meeting of the school year is Tuesday, May 14 at 6pm. Free childcare is provided.

We have a Spirit Day at The Cove in Pleasant Hill on Saturday, May 4. We have PTA volunteers working behind the counter and a portion of the proceeds will benefit Four Mile!

Our last Spirit Night of the school year is our annual tradition at Over the Top on the last day of school: Friday, May 24 from 4:00 - 8:00pm. We will earn a percentage of the proceeds, so we hope you will join us in celebrating the end of the school year and helping us earn more funds that directly benefit our staff, students, and families at Four Mile!

As always, if you have any questions or comments, feel free to email us at fourmilepta@gmail.com

# PTA Sponsoring BOGO Book Fair This Week!

We are so excited about our pop-up Buy-One-Get-One-Free book fair this week! Our generous and hard-working PTA is using this book fair to purchase a book for every Pre K-5th grade student. What a great way to start the summer by having a new book to read! The fair runs just on Tuesday, April 30th and Thursday, May 2nd. Your child may also take advantage of the BOGO book fair sales buy purchasing one book and getting the second book of equal or lesser value for free! Students may purchase items from the book fair before school starts and when their class is scheduled to attend the book fair. The book fair will not be open to them during their lunch recess. (This allows us to make sure we can get through all the classes that are scheduled to come and get their book from the PTA.) Students may bring cash or you may put money on an e-wallet. You may also purchase the books online with the BOGO sale from your home. The link below will take you to the website to create an e-wallet or to purchase books online.

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/fourmileelementaryschool3

Be sure to thank the PTA the next time you are given the chance for their generous support!



