



Four Mile Elementary
Family Zone
 October 2023



ONE TEAM, ONE DREAM

Four Mile Attendance Update

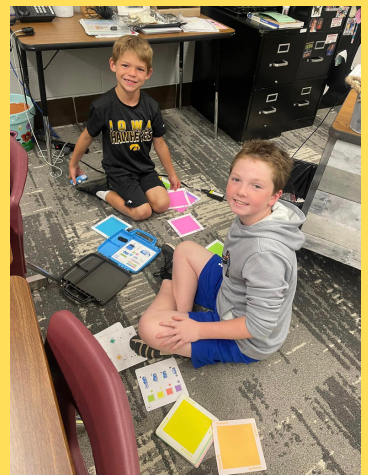
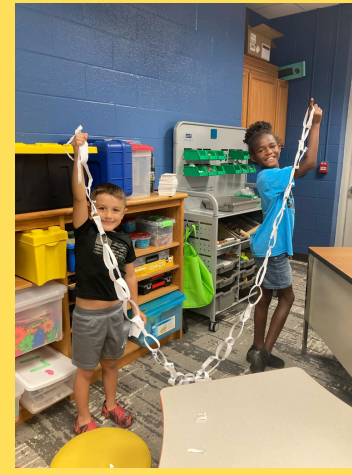
As we have shared in multiple Four Mile communications, we are working hard to increase student attendance at Four Mile this year. Our 2023-2024 goal is to increase the percentage of PK-5 Four Mile students demonstrating "on track attendance." On track attendance is attending 90% or more of school days. In '21-22, 78% of our students achieved "on track attendance." Last year, we increased that number to 80%. With families' help, we really believe we can meet that 90% mark!

By grade level, here is the current percentage of students who have "on track attendance:"

- PK 80%
- K 66%
- 1 90%
- 2 88%
- 3 88%
- 4 90%
- 5 81%

S.T.E.A.M. Buddies

We started a new monthly program this year called S.T.E.A.M. Buddies. Classes are partnered to participate in STEM/ STEAM activities once per month. Students are loving this cross grade level learning experience!



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Important Information

Parent-Teacher Conferences are on October 10 and 12! The Scholastic Bookfair is open during conferences. We look forward to seeing our Four Mile families.



WATCH D.O.G.S.

Fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father figures are invited to sign up to be a Four Mile Watch DOG. Watch DOGS volunteer for a half day at school working with students. Watch DOGS are welcome to have lunch with their child/ren. An adult lunch costs \$4.85. You can pay for the lunch when you serve as a Watch DOG or the cost can be taken from your child's lunch account. We will begin scheduling Watch DOGS the first week of September. For more information or if you are interested in being a Watch DOG, please contact Michele Simpson at michele.simpson@southeastpolk.org. or 515-265-1972 ext 5452.

Important Dates

- Monday, October 2-Friday, October 6 Grade Level Rep Elections (grades 2-5)
- Monday, October 2- National Custodian Appreciation Day
- Thursday, October 5- Kindergarten Field Trip to Jester Park
- Friday, October 6 - 3rd Grade Smokehouse with PHFD
- Monday, October 9-Wednesday, October 11-Hearing screenings
- Tuesday, October 10 - Parent/Teacher conferences 4:00-8:00pm
- Thursday, October 12 - Parent/Teacher conferences 12:30-7:30pm
- Friday, October 13 - No school
- Tuesday, October 17 - Picture day
- Wednesday, October 18- RAMS Assembly Grades 3-5
- Thursday, October 19- Kindergarten Field Trip to Howell's
- Wednesday, October 25- RAMS Assembly Grades K-2,
- Monday, October 23-Hearing screenings
- Monday, October 23-Friday, October 26- Red Ribbon Week
- Friday, October 27- Science Fair Day! Simpson College is coming to lead a full day of science for our students at Four Mile! (This event takes the place of traditional fall/Halloween parties).



- Our next Four Mile PTA Meeting is on Monday, October 9 at 6pm. Free childcare! Zoom is available.
- Thank you so much to all of the families who helped raise money for the Four Mile Fun Run event for our students!
- We provided an apple bar for Four Mile on the day of the Fun Run. We heard great feedback from the staff!
- Four Mile PTA will receive 20% of all car wash sales every Tuesday in October at Squeaky Clean in Pleasant Hill!
- We have Four Mile Spirit Night on Thursday, October 26th at Panda Express. 28% of sales gets donated back to PTA