



Midland Messenger

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January 1 - 4, 2019



Wednesday, January 16th
1:00 pm ~ Midland's
program honoring
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
 Please join us!



January is School Board Recognition Month

We want to thank Melanie Morgan, Rebecca Gallogly, Mark Baumgarten, Mary Sherman, and Board President Cole Roberts for the many hours they volunteer on behalf of every child in our school district. Their duties include setting the vision and mission of education in the district; establishing policy; adopting an annual budget; approving all expenditures; employment of personnel; curriculum, textbooks and courses; and deciding on school sites, building plans, and construction.

Jan 1 - Winter Vacation
Jan 2 - Full day - 3:20 dismissal
Jan 9 - 1:50 dismissal
Jan 16 - 1:50 dismissal
Jan 21 - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
(No school)

December 2018/January 2019						
Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
30	31 Winter Vacation	1 Happy New Year	2 Back To School! Full day 3:20 PM dismissal	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 1:50 PM dismissal	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 MLK Jr. Assembly 1:50 PM dismissal	17	18	19

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From the Principal:

Dear Parents and Families,

Happy New Year! I hope that you and your family had a very joyous holiday season and that you are looking forward to the coming year! At Midland, we have been preparing for this year in many ways. Immediately upon our return, our LAP staff will be doing our winter benchmark testing. The purpose of this quick assessment is to check the progress of our students' basic reading and math skills. Information gathered from our benchmarking will inform our instructional practices for the coming months.

One of the values of being a Kids at Hope school is that we "time travel" to our future to determine the skills we need to be successful. We want our students to know where they are with learning the standards, and then we help them to progress so they can be successful. Although our teachers do not send home "new learning" for homework, you can certainly help your student to achieve success by keeping or starting some new year habits. Midland students should be reading (or being read to) for at least 20 minutes each night. Additionally, kindergarten students should be counting to 100, first and second grade students should be learning their addition and subtraction facts, third grade students should know their multiplication facts, and our fourth and fifth grade students should be mastering multi-digit multiplication and division. Your support of these learning goals will help your child to succeed in the coming year!

Paula Dawson, Principal



Mr. Potato Head Challenge

Did you know that our Midland classes are participating in an attendance challenge? Each day a class has perfect attendance, a student will add a piece to the class Mr. Potato Head! Once a Potato Head is complete, the class will take a picture with their potato head for the poster in the school entrance AND receive a special treat!

PTA Corner

Most Fridays ~ Popcorn & Smencil sales ~ \$.25-\$1.00

Please join the PTA. Membership forms are in Midland's lobby.

The Midland PTA Board would love to hear from you with any ideas or suggestions:

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