

SEPTEMBER 2022

TRAILBLAZER TIMES

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ON OUR HORIZON...

Month of September

- Beginning of the year STAR testing takes place in Reading and Math!
- Student & Family Handbooks coming home - parent signature will be required

September 5 - No School (Labor Day)

September 7 - FIRST LATE START WEDNESDAY

Every Wednesday beginning in September and running through the end of March is a late start. School begins at 9:05 (doors open at 8:50).

September 14, 21, 28 - LATE START WEDNESDAY

Thurs, September 22 from 5-7 PM OPEN HOUSE & Title I Parent Night!

Come meet your scholar's teachers, see his/her classroom and learn more about what to expect this year! All students who have a parent present will earn a Dress Down ticket Mark your calendar! More information coming soon!

Fri, September 23 - NO SCHOOL Staff Professional Development

WE ARE CLIMBING!

We have had a wonderful start to the 2022-23 school year where our Trailblazers are Climbing to New Heights! So far we have...

- 300 scholars enrolled across 14 classrooms
- Had all parents remain in vehicles and follow our car rider process daily! THANK YOU!
- 85% of our scholars have attendance above 90% for the month of August!
- Already assigned seating on buses so all students know where to sit.
- Distributed car rider signs for all regular car riders.
- Started beginning-of-the-year assessments.



HELP US GET OUR FOOTING...

There are a few things families can do to help us get this year's climb off to a strong start...

- Ensure your contact information is up-to-date in the SIS parent portal. We have many disconnected or nonworking numbers!
- Drop your scholar off at school between 7:50 and 8:05 AM!
 - Please do not leave students at the front doors before 7:50, as there is no adult supervision
 - After 8:05 is tardy - we already have an influx of tardy arrivals.... **PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME.**
- Call the school before 2:30 PM if you are changing students' transportation.
- Help your scholar pack up and pick out clothes the night before to get off to a strong morning start

Did You Know... ?

| In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By... | Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately... | or They Would Have Missed Approximately... |
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| 5 Minutes | 3.5 Days from School | 20 Lessons |
| 10 Minutes | 7 Days from School | 41 Lessons |
| 15 Minutes | 10 Days from School | 55 Lessons |
| 20 Minutes | 14.5 Days from School | 82 Lessons |
| 30 Minutes | 22 Days from School | 123 Lessons |

UNIFORMS

Thank you to the families who have sent their scholars in uniform daily. Incentives will be coming soon for students to earn Dress Down tickets! Please ensure scholars are in uniform daily. A few reminders:

- Jeans are not considered uniform pants
- Shoes should be close-toed with a back
- Any solid-colored polo shirt works!

Thanks again for sending your scholar in a uniform. It is appreciated!

MOLINE ELEMENTARY: SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

We started off the year at Moline learning and practicing expectations for various places in the building. Students have gotten off to a strong start demonstrating these expectations. Moline Trailblazer expectations are consistent across the building with all staff members.

LUNCH EXPECTATIONS

Our lunch spaces operate like a restaurant, as we want scholars to socialize with each other but also demonstrate good manners.

- Enter/exit lunch space on Level O
- Use Level 2 (restaurant voices)
- Stay in your seat; raise your hand for help
- Use your manners
- Clean up your area

RESTROOM EXPECTATIONS

We take whole class bathroom breaks three time per day to avoid scholars being in hallways or bathrooms unsupervised.

- Use the restroom quickly and quietly
- Flush the toilet!
- Wash hands and throw away trash

HALLWAY EXPECTATIONS

We require quiet hallways so all classrooms can continue learning.

- Hands down
- Eyes forward
- Voices off (Level 0)

BUS EXPECTATIONS

Bus behavior is taken seriously to ensure student's safety.

- **Be safe**
 - Stay in assigned seat
 - Keep hands, feet, and objects to yourself (and in your backpack)
- **Be respectful**
 - Use kind words and a quiet voice
 - Follow the bus driver's directions the first time

All Moline scholars are expected to be in uniform daily.

Moline Uniform Policy:

 *Any solid colored, collared shirt*

Khaki, navy, or black bottoms 
(No leggings)

 *Close-toed, rubber-soled shoes with a back* *(No flip flops, Crocs, sandals, etc.)*

LATE START WEDNESDAY: SEPT. 7

Every Wednesday beginning in September is a late start day. School begins one hour later than normal, doors opening at 8:50 AM. September 6 (the Wednesday after Labor Day) is our first late start day. Please plan accordingly. **Students MAY NOT be dropped off in front of the school without parent supervision.**

CLASSTAG

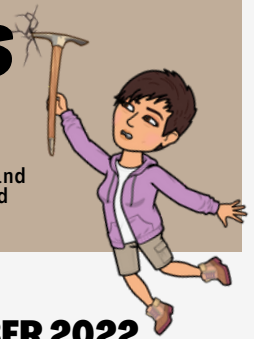
The ClassTag app is set up for each classroom teacher as our way of communication. This tool also allows me to send out mass texts and emails to families. Please make sure you have accurate parent contact information in SIS, as teachers will be setting up these class accounts in the next few weeks.



CLIMBING TO NEW HEIGHTS

Mission: Moline Elementary will become a community of critical thinkers and responsible, productive citizens, driven by resilience, self-motivation, and kindness.

Vision: Moline Elementary develops leaders in critical thinking and citizenship in a positive, safe school environment. Our Moline community fosters meaningful, trusting relationships and values collaborative partnerships with families and the community. Our educators model and facilitate a reflective mindset and culturally responsive instruction with engaging learning opportunities for all.



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