

The Longhorn Way

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As you help your child navigate this school year, it is important to remember we are a team - parents, students, and staff. We are all working toward the common goal to ensure your child is successful at whatever they are doing. We can't do it alone and neither can you. We will hold your child to high expectations as you do. This partnership or team requires constant communication. I ask our teachers to communicate with you when there is a problem and when good things are happening. Parents it is important that you communicate with your child's teachers when you have questions or concerns. Middle school years can be bumpy and filled with lots of lessons. We are here to help and support. When you have a concern, reach out to your child's teacher to determine how you both can work together to find a solution, build a relationship, or offer support. I always operate on assuming best intentions. Success for all students is the goal, and a positive parent-teacher relationship is a key to that success. One way to create that relationship is Parent Teacher Conferences. **Sign-up will begin next week.** Directions will arrive via email on Monday evening.

Parkway-Rockwood Community ED Trek and Travel: This program has a few next trips next summer that might be of interest to our students, the Great Lakes Voyage for students currently in grades 5-7 and a brand new trip offering next summer for students currently in 8th and 9th grades called the Atlantic Coastal Quest. If interested, there are parent information meetings:

- Parkway Central Middle | Oct. 4 | 6 p.m.
- Rockwood Admin Annex | Oct. 10 | 7:30 p.m.
- Crestview Middle Theater | Oct. 18 | 7:30 p.m.

See the attached flyer about the trips and meetings. At the meetings, parents can learn more about the trips, meet some of the trip staff and get answers to whatever questions you may have.\4

West Time Wednesday: Wednesday will be a West Time Schedule-Students will have a West Time Lesson. See Parent Folder for lessons: [West Time Parent Folder](#).

PTO NEWS: West High Homecoming Parade is on Friday, October 13th. Join us at West High on Oct 13 at 4:30pm for the West Middle Row Tailgate! We will have snacks, games, and a GREAT spot to watch the Homecoming Parade. Bring the family, show off your spirit wear, and stay for the game if you want! See the flyer for more details: <https://www.parkwayschools.net/Page/6858>

Beyond Measure: The Mason Ridge PTO is proud to host a screening of Beyond Measure on Tuesday, October 17th the Mason Ridge Gym- 715 South Mason Road Town & Country, MO 63141. The doors will open at 6:30 pm and the movie will start at 7:00 pm with a discussion following the movie. Dr. Marty and a member of the school board will be in attendance. Bring your own chair or use one of our folding chairs. Please feel free to bring your friends to see this film. RSVP at this link: <http://beyondmeasurefilm.com/mason-ridge-elementary-pt0/#http://beyondmeasurefilm.com/mason-ridge-elementary-pt0/>. Tickets are free. or questions contact Michelle Francisco 619-309-9981 or Maria Spivey 314-749-5073.

Thanks for sharing your kids with us!

~Annie

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Mark Your Calendar

October 1: Parkway Family Day - St. Louis Cardinals Game at Busch Stadium

October 2: Custodian Appreciation Day

October 4: Late Start - West Time Schedule

October 4-5: Aspire Testing for 8th Grade Students

"We may have all come on different ships, but we're all in the same boat now."

-Martin Luther King Jr.