

MooseTracks - April 2018

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Important Dates

- April 10 - Late Start
- April 10 - PTO meeting 7 PM

Clarification of Attendance Process and Procedures

With the added access to Powerschool for elementary parents and the introduction this year of HB410 we'd like to clarify attendance process and procedures.

Homeroom teachers only have the option to mark students UT (unexcused tardy) or UA (unexcused absence) in the attendance system of Powerschool. UT means the student came in late, but before attendance was taken. UA means the student is not at school when attendance is taken. At 9:30 a.m., Mrs. Anderson listens to the attendance line. It is the policy of the school that all parents call by 9:30 when a student will be late or absent. At that time, she is responsible for coding all tardies and absences appropriately in Powerschool. An unexcused tardy will change to an excused tardy if the parent has called. All absences are changed to the correct coding per the message on the attendance line. Some codes may change during the day if a student is signed in or out for appointments, because House Bill 410 now requires schools to count the minutes students miss instruction time, not the past system of using partial days. All parents with students who are still marked UA are contacted to confirm the absence. If we are unable to reach a parent or guardian the police are called to do a well child visit to confirm the student's safety.

In compliance with House Bill 410, parents/guardians will now be notified when the following thresholds are met:

- 38 or more hours in one school month with or without legitimate excuse (approximately 6.5 school days)
- 65 or more hours in one school year with or without legitimate excuse (approximately 10.5 school days)

If you have any questions regarding the attendance process or HB410, please call.

LEGO Club Spring Session

Lego club is open for spring session only. Please return the permission form to Mrs. Reiser or your child's teacher by April 9th. Spring Lego club runs for 6 weeks after school on Tuesdays in the Montrose Library. April 10th ,17th, 24rd, May 1st, 8th & 18th.

There is also a new Lego club t-shirt. Your child does not need to be in Lego club to order a t-shirt. It is available to any student who would like one. Order forms for both Lego club and to order a t-shirt can be downloaded from the Montrose PTO webpage from the [virtual backpack](#).

Original Works

Orders are being processed by Original Works and will be in by the Montrose Arts Festival on May 10th. Thank you to all who supported the Artist-in-the-School fund with this fundraiser.

Key Club Carnival

The Bexley High School Key Club is having a carnival April 28, from 5-8pm on the Bexley football field. The carnival is a fundraiser for Buckeyethon. The mission of Buckeyethon is to create awareness and raise funds for children with cancer. 100% of the money we raise from the carnival will go to Buckeyethon.

Home And School Connection

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