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Dear Families,

First of all, thank you for your continued support this school year. As of this writing, our building has stayed very healthy to date. We have every reason to believe the protections we have put in place and the fidelity with which our learning community has followed them, are the reason. Mask use, hand washing, physical distancing as possible, and keeping sick children home have been our primary strategies and they seem to be working, so again, thank you! It is our intention to continue in face to face learning as long as we can, but should that change, we will continue to provide our kids with high-quality learning experiences no matter the environment.

As the holiday season approaches, we will once again focus on **Empathy, Gratitude, Generosity, and Service** to others (EGGS) in our school-wide social/emotional learning. Our annual food drive is already underway. Our hope is to make this drive the most successful yet as we explore these ideas.

Finally, as we practice gratitude, we want to give our heart-felt appreciation to our Veterans, our active military, and all of the essential workers that make Mesa County and our country the safe and amazing place that it is. We are truly fortunate to live here.

Thank you for allowing us the privilege of educating your children and for working as our partners to ensure their success. We hope you have a peaceful, joyful and healthy holiday season!

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### **Important Dates:**

Nov. 2nd– Dec. 11th-Canned Food Drive

Dec. 21-Jan. 4– No School– Winter Break

Nov. 23-27– No School– Thanksgiving Break

Jan. 5– No School– Teacher Work Day

Nov.30– No School– Teacher Plan Day

#### Note From Our Counselor

Hey, Mesa View Families!

Wow, we are into the second quarter of school already. Hard to believe.

I want to take this opportunity to tell you thank you for allowing us to work with your awesome kids.

As usual, we will be doing our personal safety and child abuse prevention lessons sometime this school year. There is a video for grades k and 1, a video for grades 2-3 and another video for grades 4-5. If you would like to view the video(s) for your child's grade level, please let me know. I can be reached at [mnave@d51schools.org](mailto:mnave@d51schools.org) or at 970-254-7970 extension 52122.

In the classroom lessons that I have been doing with our students, we have been learning about our brains and what to do when they get "stuck," or stressed out and dysregulated. I bet your kids could tell you more about what they are learning. ☺

Have a great November!

Monica Nave

MVE School Counselor

## Outdoor Classroom Update:

Great news!

Our school board has approved an outdoor shelter. We hope this spring to get science stations installed and have a shelter for outdoor learning.



Mesa View is participating in the "Take a Bite out of Hunger" food drive, Nov.2nd– Dec.11th. Each class will be competing separately. Whichever class brings in the most nonperishable food items will get to be part of a virtual assembly and will get to silly string the specials teachers. Please bring non perishable food to the gym in the mornings.

## Behavior Support

*Hello, my name is Tiffany Addington and I am the new behavior coach/para at Mesa View Elementary.*

*I am available to all students who are in need of support. If a student is having a rough moment in class and is in need of a strategy or encouraging talk to get through it, I am there for that child. I can also give kids breaks outside of the classroom if they just need a moment and work on ways to face any challenge. The goal whenever I help out is to get kids back to learning.*

*I am excited to be here from Oklahoma! My husband and I have five children and are generally very busy with them. We love to spend time together doing activities outside such as sports, hiking, or camping.*

*I have been working with children since I started babysitting at age 12. Since obtaining my degree in Psychology in 2011 I have worked in elementary schools, with DHS, in care coordination and much more.*

*Thank you for sharing your children with us!!*

**We wish you all good health and happiness through this holiday season.**

