Dear Metcalf Families,

Greetings from this year's Wildcat Student Council. We hope that you are having a great start to your school year and your fall season. We know that we are excited as ever to get this year going!

This letter is to inform you about this year's Spirit Week! Every year, Metcalf celebrates ISU or U-High's Homecoming by having Spirit Days where students (and faculty and staff!) get to dress up or down to fit the day's theme. This we are celebrating U-High - Go Pioneers! As always, feel free to consult our handbook pages 7 and 8 for what is considered to be school appropriate. A link to the handbook is provided for you: <u>http://goo.gl/llpzWS</u>. This year's spirit week is from **September 22 - 26** (next week!).

We are trying something a little bit different this year. Our lower primary grades (Pre-K - 2) and our upper grades (3-8) will have separate Spirit Days to better accommodate the learning needs of the students. As a result, do understand that older and younger siblings may have separate themed days. This may be a bit confusing and we do apologize for that - but it will be best for all involved to have separate days so that all students can fully enjoy participating in Spirit Week.

Below are the spirit days for your *<u>Pre-K through 2nd grade</u>* student:

Monday 9/22- (K, 1, 2) Pennant Day: Each primary student will make a Metcalf spirit week paper pennant to hang on his/her locker or cubby for the week. Students will learn about our school and how to spell Metcalf.

Pre-K will be doing their own spirit day this day. Please consult your child's Pre-K teacher for your theme Monday.

Tuesday 9/23- Sports Day-Wear a shirt from your favorite sports team or even wear a shirt from a sport or activity that you have participated in!

Wednesday 9/24- Funny sock day! Show off your crazy or mismatched socks!

Thursday 9/25 - Color Day - Show your spirit by wearing your grade's assigned color this day!Pre-K: RedKindergarten: YellowFirst Grade: BlueSecond Grade: Green

Friday 9/26 - Red/Green/Spirit Day: Have your student show their Metcalf or U-High Pride by wearing Red, Green and yellow, or Spiritwear on this day. This is U-High's homecoming!

Each day, homerooms have the chance to win the Spirit Stick from a random drawing based on their homeroom participating. Spirit stick winners will get to have the Spirit stick for the next school day. Each day that a homeroom has some participation among students (and teachers!) will get their homeroom put into a drawing for a special grand prize.

If you have any questions about Spirit Week - please let Mr. Andy Goveia know. He can be reached at (309) 438-2485 or by email at <u>agoveia@metcalf.illinoisstate.edu</u>.

Thanks for your support! Let's have a great Spirit Week! -The Wildcat Student Council