

**2017-18 MERIT Schedule**

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| **Month** | **MERIT RALLY** **DATE** | **Character Trait****Monthly Theme** | **Grade Level****5-min “presentation”** |
| August | August 11 | Off to a Good Start: Expectations |  |
| September | September 29 | Responsibility  | Staff |
| October | October 26 | Respect-Empathy | 2/3 |
| November | No Rally | Gratitude |  |
| December | December 15*Minimum Day* | Hard work & Determination | 4 |
| January | January 22*(Monday)* | Kindness Kick-Off*(GKC Jan 22-26)* | K/1 |
| February | February 22 | Honesty | 6 |
| March | March 30 | Confidence | M/S |
| April | April 27 | Citizenship & Cooperation | 5 |
| May | May 31*Minimum Day* | Self-respect & Self-discipline | ALLLeadership |

**Regular Day Schedule:** K-3 1:40-2:00 --- 4-8 2:10-2:30

**Minimum Day:** Whole School 11:30-12:00

* Mr. Ernest – Welcome! 1 minute
* Character trait introduction 5 minutes
* Grade level “*Character Trait*” awards (2-3 students per class) 5 minutes
* Leadership – M.E.R.I.T / New Character Trait activity/Game 5 minutes
* “I saw you being….” 10 names drawn for MERIT pizza day 5 minutes