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Dear Grizzly Families,

Wednesday, October 4, 2023, is Count Day!

At YCS, it is important for us that each of our students attend school daily. School attendance is extremely important for learning outcomes to be met and counts every day, but on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, attendance counts for something more– it counts for 90% of our school funding.

Wednesday, October 4, 2023, is the first count day of the academic year as required by the State School Aid Act to determine state funding for Michigan's public school districts. Funding is based on the total student participation and attendance on these two days (fall and spring).

It is important that all students attend school on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 for their attendance to be recorded. If a child is sick or unable to attend, families are reminded to call the school's main office and report an excused absence. A student can still be counted if the student has an excused absence and attends within 30 calendar days (following count day) or if the student has an unexcused absence and attends within ten school days (following count day).

YCS is asking parents, students, and our community supporters to spread the word about the importance of Wednesday, October 4, 2023 count day via email, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and word of mouth.

Can we count on you to be present on Count Day?

Respectfully,

Dr. Carlos Lopez,
Assistant Superintendent