

Dear Students and Parents,

I want to take a moment to thank the generosity of the MVMS Community as we raised \$642.55 for the Goffstown Food Network during the 'Orange Out Day' fundraiser held during the last week in October. It is events like Orange Out Day that remind me how fortunate I am to work in such a generous and caring community.

A couple of reminders for parents – we are still waiting to receive paperwork from the 'back to school' packet students received in the mail during the month of August. This packet included paperwork for the nurse, parental consent for internet access as well as other important documents. If you could please check to make sure all paperwork has been completed, and returned, it would be much appreciated!

Thank you for continuing to be being cautious drivers during arrival and dismissal. I appreciate everyone driving slowly around the back of the building and watching for merging cars at each of our drop-off/pick-up locations. Please also remember to have your child enter/exit the passenger side of your car vehicle.

The Crispin's House is running a Scavenger Hunt Fundraiser November 13-November 22. This is a great opportunity for a little competition with friends or family to see who can complete the scavenger hunt first while supporting a local organization who helps our youth in the Goffstown community. Please see the attached brochure for the link or QR code to participate!

Sincerely,

Wendy Kohler Principal

Important Dates

November 16 (Mon.) to November 29 (Sun.)	Online Scholastic Book Fair
November 25 (Wed.)	Early Release
November 26 (Thu.) & November 27 (Fri.)	Thanksgiving Break – NO SCHOOL
December 4 (Fri.)	Parent/Teacher Conferences – NO SCHOOL
	**Information in regard to conferences will
	be sent out soon!

Arrival and Dismissal

A friendly reminder to please drive <u>slowly</u> around the back-bus loop while picking up/dropping off your child. All students should also exit and enter the car from the passenger side of the vehicle. Thank you for reminding your student to exit the vehicle with their cloth mask covering on.

Fully Remote Students in Grade 7 and Grade 8

Please make sure your student repeatedly checks their email for the links to our 'live' instruction for social studies, language arts and science each week. All fully remote students are offered two live instructional blocks beyond their "team" Friday Zoom sessions. Please make sure your student makes every effort to attend!

Attendance Phone Calls

Please remember to call the MVMS absence line (497-8288 and when prompted press 2) if your child will not be attending their scheduled in-person day prior to 8:15.

Fully remote students, who will not be attending, should also be called into the absence line as well.

Health Corner

Dear Parents & Guardians:

We truly appreciate all of your efforts in reducing the risk of COVID-19 transmission in our schools. As a reminder, if your child is exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19, even mild, we ask that you keep your child home from school and contact your child's primary care provider. Many of the symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to the common cold, the flu, and other illnesses. While it may appear that your child just has the common cold or the flu, **healthcare providers cannot rule out COVID-19 without testing for it**. The MVMS nurses have been, and will continue to send children home who are symptomatic at school. As a reminder the symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sore Throat
- Runny nose or nasal congestion
- Muscle or body aches
- Fatigue
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

As a reminder we still require all students wear a cloth face covering while on the bus and in while at school, **gators and valved masks are not allowed**. Also, continue to reinforce social distancing guidelines, as well respiratory and hand hygiene with your children. Please contact the MVMS nurses if your child experiences any of the above symptoms or you have questions about COVID-19 exposure **before sending them to school**. We are a resource for you and your family. We are happy to assist you during this unprecedented time. Together we can keep our families healthy and our schools open.

Thank you,

Sara Matatall RN &Sussara.matatall@sau19.orgsus660-5623660

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Scholastic Book Fair

MVMS is sponsoring an Online Scholastic Book Fair. The book fair will run from Monday, **November 16th through Sunday, November 29th**. All orders will be submitted online and merchandise will be shipped directly to your home. Books are set to arrive before December 25th. There is also FREE shipping offer on **book-only** orders over \$25.

Here is the website to access the online Book Fair: https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mvmsgoffstown



Please reach out to Amy O'Riley (<u>amy.oriley@sau19.org</u>), our Library Media Specialist, with any questions in regard to the book fair. Thank you.

Food Service Information

\sim This year <u>all</u> school meals are FREE to ALL students! \sim

We ask that parents/guardians pre-order meals, following the instructions below, to help us with the delivery to the classrooms.

Ordering Meals

You need to either download the NutriSlice App from your app store or go through the food service webpage for the menus.

1. Select MVMS.

- 2. Select the appropriate menu.
- 3. Pick your child's meal on the day he/she will be attending school.
- 4. Choose from the optional items then click Add to Order.
- 5. You may pick another day your child is attending school or you may check out for that student.
- 6. Click on the lunch bag on the top left of the screen.

7. View your cart and confirm it is correct, then click Checkout or Create an Account. You will need to create a Parent account and then add students with their lunch number in order to Checkout.

8. Choose who the order is for.

9. Select Pickup: Choose grade level; enter your child's homeroom in the box on the right above the submit button.

10. Click submit.

11. If you have additional children to order for you will need to click on Start Another Order.

A student ID number is necessary, for bookkeeping purposes. You will not be charged.

If you need further help either contact the MVMS kitchen or food service by emailing Megan Bizzarro, megan.bizzarro@sau19.org.

Ski Club

This year, all students will have to be driven by parents. You will be able to sign your child up online until midnight on January 3rd, which gives ample time to figure out transportation. Please know that volunteers will not be available at Pats Peak. Lessons will be on Mondays because Pats cannot handle that many students on Friday nights. They are trying to social distance as well. Mondays will be our ski night just for this year. Things will go back to normal next year. Their lessons will be from 4:30-5:30pm followed by free skiing for the night-January 4th-February 8th, 2021. PLEASE go to patspeak.com/healthandsafety to read about what is expected on the mountain before signing up. Brochures can be picked up by students in the MVMS Main Office.

Please reach out to Paola Gomes if you have any questions: <u>mespourquoi@aol.com</u> 674-9418

Yearbook

Yearbooks are now available to purchase online now for \$22 until 11/20. They then go up to \$24 until 1/29 and finally \$26 until 5/21.

Click the link to the yearbook ordering

site: <u>https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1010121/Mountain-View-Middle-School/2021-Yearbook/20201007042455977156/CATALOG_SHOP/</u>

Eighth Grade Parent(s),

Looking for a creative way to tell your child, "I love you and I'm proud of you"?

Place a recognition ad in the yearbook.



A recognition ad is always a great idea. In the future, seeing your message will bring a smile as students remember your love and support during these important years. It's easy to create a recognition ad. Just send us your favorite baby photo and compose your message. You must have your son/daughter's name on the back of the picture. Please supply a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like the photo returned in June 2021.

We will try to keep the ad a secret until the yearbook is distributed. If your son or daughter is on the yearbook staff this may not be possible.

Reserve a space for your recognition ad today. Like the yearbook, your message will be a permanent memory.

Thank you!

Sincerely, The Yearbook Staff

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RECOGNITION AD ORDER FORM--- MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY!

Student name	Team
Parent name	Phone
Cost \$14.00 (Checks made out to MVMS – Yearbook) Message: Limit 35 words or less!	
Signature	Check #
MUST BE RETURNED TO MS. SINCLAIR, ROOM	212 BY NOVEMBER 30, 2020.

PBIS Theme of the Month – Empathy

November's PBIS Theme of the Month is Empathy. Staff and students are focused on what empathy looks like here at MVMS and how one should go about living their life with empathy. Be sure to chat with your student about what he/she is learning about empathy.

Remote, Friday Zoom Sessions

Please be sure your student is attending their 'live' teaching sessions in each of their core subjects, World Language (grade 7/8) and Unified Arts (grade 7/8) each Friday. It is an expectation that students will attend all scheduled sessions. Please reach out to your student's teacher, in advance, if your child will be unable to attend.

Guidance Department Corner

Middle Years

Please click/copy paste the link below to view this month's edition of Middle Years. If you're unfamiliar with the Middle Years publication, the purpose is to provide busy parents with practical ideas that promote school success, parent involvement, and more effective parenting.

http://www.rfecustomer.com/ViewPDF.cfm?RequestType=WebSite&CustNum=477194&PdfFilename=MY1120 E.pdf&HtmlPdfPath=http://rfecustomer.com/Pubs/202011/477194_MY1120_E.pdf

Guidance Counselors

If you need to consult with a counselor for advice/information for your student, please contact one of the following:

Name	Grade	Phone Number
Ryanne Roy	5&6	(603) 660-5616
Melanie Cali	7	(603) 660-5607
Erin Sakolosky	8	(603) 660-5606