

PAWS News

November 4, 2021 Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Office of the Principal

Dear MVMS Community:

This year on Orange Out Day, the MVMS school community raised over \$2,000 to support the New Hampshire Food Bank. We are so incredibly thankful and proud of the generous students, staff members, and families in our community. Congratulations to the 8th graders who showed tremendous school spirit by wearing the most orange of any grade level on this day.

Our PBIS theme for the month of November is empathy. Empathy is defined as being able to share or understand the emotions and feelings of someone else. At the middle school level, our focus is on teaching students to think about other people's perspective and how it might differ from their own. Please talk with your student about empathy and the discussions we having as a school community.

On November 10th, MVMS will hold a school-wide virtual assembly to honor our country's veterans. I'd like to thank all of our nation's Veterans for their dedication and sacrifice. Please remember we will not have school on Veterans Day, November 11th.

Sincerely, Wendy Kohler Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
November 10	Assembly: Veterans Day
November 11	Veterans Day (No School)
November 15	Canned Food Drive begins!
November 24	Turkey Trot
November 24	Early Release: Thanksgiving Break
November 25 & 26	No School

MVMS ADMINISTRATORS

Ms. Wendy Kohler Ms. Brandy Williams Mr. Lyle Hamel Ms. Kim Rivers Mr. Josh Lewis

Principal Assistant Principal Curriculum Coordinator Special Education Facilitator Dean of Students



Pictures of Veterans

Call for pictures! Student Government will be sponsoring our Veterans Day celebration on Wednesday, November 10th. As part of our celebration, we put together a slide show honoring our veterans. How can you help? Complete the form and upload a picture of your favorite veteran to be included in our slideshow. You may submit as many pictures as you like. Please complete the form below by Friday, November 5, 2021. Thank you for your support! Link to Form: <u>https://forms.gle/BNiFzZ4n5fv39hBDA</u>

Purchase your 2022 Yearbook

Click the link below to order the 2021-2022 MVMS yearbook TODAY! ORDER YOUR 2021 MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOLYEARBOOK http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A01001308

Safer at Schools Screenings (SASS) COVID 19 Testing Program

We are pleased to announce that SAU19 is participating in Safer at Schools Screening (SASS) COVID 19 Testing Program. SASS is another tool that supports our efforts to mitigate the transmission of COVID-19. Participation in SASS is voluntary.

For those individuals who opted into the optional COVID-19 testing program, it will begin next week. MVMS students and staff will be tested on Monday mornings. Students will receive notification on where to report for testing from their first period teacher.

If you have any questions regarding testing, please reach out to our school nurses, Sara Matatall (<u>sara.matatall@sau19.org</u>) and Susan Potvin (<u>susan.potvin@sau19.org</u>).

Paraprofessional Job Opportunity

MVMS is seeking paraprofessionals for the 2021-2022 school year. The job predominantly consists of supporting small groups of students or individual students in Grades 5 through 8 throughout their day. If interested, please contact the MVMS Special Education Facilitator, Kim Rivers.

Email: Kimberly.rivers@sau19.org

Phone: 603-497-8288 ext. 5630

Sports Information

Congratulations to all of our fall sports teams on great seasons! All of our athletes worked hard and gave each game their best. Thank you for your dedication this season.

Sports Team:	Record (Wins-Loses-Ties):	Finished:
Soccer: Boys A	6-1-3	3 rd in their division
Soccer: Boys B	9-0-1	2 nd in their division
Soccer: Girls A	5-4-0	5 th in their division
Soccer: Girls B	6-0-0	1 st in their division
Field Hockey	5-3-0	4 th in their division
Volleyball: Girls A	10-2-0	3 rd in their division
Volleyball: Girls B	5-5-0	3 rd in their division

Thank you for supporting our MVMS athletes. Our team schedules can be found at this link: <u>https://goffstownathletics.com/main/calendar/</u>. As a reminder, there will be no athletic transportation to games or contests for the 21/22 school year. There is a significant shortage in bus drivers which impacts our ability to offer athletic transportation. Please note: Winter Sports registration is now live.

PBIS Theme of the Month - Empathy

Each month the MVMS community focuses on a specific aspect of character development. November's theme is empathy. Empathy is described as being able to share or understand the emotions and feelings of another person. We can teach our students empathy through modeling and discussing other's viewpoints about daily events.

Canned Food Drive

Student Government will be running the MVMS Annual Canned Food Drive November 15th through November 22nd. Please help out by sending in non-perishable items such as canned food and boxed items. We really appreciate all your support in donations and making this drive successful! All donations will benefit the Goffstown Food Pantry.

Ski Club

Ski Club will begin on January 7, 2022! Students can sign up to head to Pats Peak for lessons and/or ski time. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information.

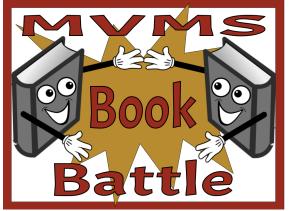
Turkey Trot & Early Release

MVMS will be holding its annual Turkey Trot race on Wednesday, November 24. Access to the school will be blocked at Lauren Lane from approximately 8:30am to 11:00am for the safety of the students participating in the Turkey Trot. If you need to drop off or pick up a student during this time we ask that you park on Lauren Lane and talk to the staff member that will be stationed there. Furthermore, please note that school will dismiss at 1:10PM on Wednesday, November 27. If you have any questions, please contact the Main Office.

MVMS Book Battle

Do you love trivia? Do you like to compete? Do you enjoy reading?

If you answered yes to any one of these questions, we have the activity for you! MVMS Book Battle is here! Gather some teammates and form a team. Read some books. Create some trivia questions. Complete in a final battle against other teams from MVMS. Starting at the end of November and running through the middle of April this enrichment activity will meet on Tuesday or Thursday mornings. For more information and a permission form, please stop by the front office or see Mrs. O'Riley or Mrs. Nadeau. Permission slips are due back to the main office by Friday, November 19th. We hope you will join us and as we battle over some books!



8th Grade Baby Photos: Extension

We have had many "8th Grade Baby Ad" photo submissions already turned in, but we have room for a few more in the 2021-2022 MVMS yearbook. If you missed the last deadline, we are **extending the SUBMISSION DEADLINE to November 19, 2021**. You will need to submit a baby picture with your child's first and last name on the back, a message addressed to your 8th grader, and the \$14 check or cash. Please include a self-stamped envelope if you would like the picture returned to you. Fill out the attached Baby Ad form to make your photo submission.

MVP Fall Fundraiser

MVP is excited to announce our fall fundraiser DECEMBER CALENDAR RAFFLE. *Our goal for this fundraiser is to purchase new outdoor recess and gym equipment for the playground and gym.*

Students will be coming home with a form, they can sell entries for \$15 each, online with the QR code below, or in person. Cash or check payments can be recorded on the form and dropped off in the office before November 28th. Each entry gives you 31 chances to win in December, daily winners go back into the "hat" for the next day's raffle! A copy of the form can be found at the end of this newsletter.

We have some great prizes for our winners but also some awesome **INCENTIVE PRIZES for our STUDENTS** including a pair of **AIRPOD PROS!** Everyone who sells 10 entries will win a piece of DUCT TAPE to participate in a future event. ;) You don't want to miss this, stay tuned for more information!

Share with friends and family via email, through social media, or at Thanksgiving dinner! Winners will be announced daily on school days and posted on our Facebook Page (Mountain View Partnership). Updates on top sellers and the weekly prize winners will also be announced on our page. Thank you for your support of our students and staff! - Your Mountain View Partnership Board

Update from the Nurses -Attention 7th Grade Parents:

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The State of NH requires all students entering 7th grade receive the **Tdap** vaccine (Tetanus and Pertussis) prior to the first day of school. Many current 7th graders seem to be missing this vaccine. If your child received this vaccine, you must submit a copy of their immunization record to the MVMS nurses prior to 11/1/21. If your child has not had the Tdap vaccine, make arrangements with your child's health care provider for him/ her to receive this vaccine as soon as possible. Please notify the health office when your child is scheduled to receive this required vaccination and submit in an updated immunization record to the MVMS nurses once vaccine is given. Feel free to contact the MVMS Health Office with any questions or concerns. Thank you,

Sara Matatall RN sara.matatall@sau19.org 660-5623

Susan Potvin RN susan.potvin@sau19.org 660-5615

Chess Club Wrap Up

Our first round of chess club was such a success! The students enjoyed learning the basics of chess and playing each week. Chess helps players learn patience and thoughtfulness. Special thank you to Mr. McDonnell for leading this for the MVMS students.



Information Center: Before and After School Hours

The Information Center opens at 7:45 am every morning. In the morning, students can get a pass from a bus duty teacher or the main office. After school, the Information Center is open 3:10 pm - 4:45 pm, Monday-Thursday. The information center is NOT open after school on Friday. If a student plans to come to the Information Center after school, they need to sign up in the main office by 1:00 pm. Students need to have a reason for coming to the Information Center, for example, using a computer for schoolwork, printing, checking out a book, independent reading, etc. If you have questions, please connect with Mrs. O'Riley at amy.oriley@sau19.org.

Featured Art

Please see below for detailed art created by our 6th graders during the month of October!



Arrival and Dismissal

Entrances by Grade Level – Students will enter the building through their assigned grade level door.

- 5th and 6th grade students will enter and exit through the door near the softball field.
- 7th and 8th grade students will enter and exit through the door near the back parking lot.

Morning Arrival – Parent/Guardian drop-offs will occur from 8:00-8:15. Please follow the updated traffic pattern (utilizing the back bus loop around the building). Bus Drop-offs will occur from approximately 8:15-8:25 AM, and will utilize the same entrances. If your student walks to school, or if you are dropping your student off **after 8:15**, **please use the front entrance only**. The back bus loop is only available until 8:15 to allow for busses to arrive safely and efficiently to continue their routes.

- $\circ~$ All 5th and 6th grade students will report directly to their homeroom.
- All 7th and 8th grade students will report directly to the gymnasium.

Afternoon Dismissal – Parent/Guardian pick-up will occur during the following timestamps. Parents will continue to use the back bus loop and students will exit the building using the same assigned grade level doors as morning arrival. Parent or guardian pick-up will occur from 2:45-3:05 PM.

- A-K: Students who have a last name beginning with A-K will be dismissed at 2:45. Parents are asked to arrive between 2:45-2:55 PM to keep traffic flow. Cars may not enter the back of the building after 3:05 PM.
- L-Z: Students who have a last name beginning with L-Z will be dismissed at 2:55. Parents are asked to arrive between 2:55-3:05 PM to keep traffic flow. Cars may not enter the back of the building after 3:05 PM.
- Please do your best to arrive no earlier than the prescribed time above so we are able to keep the traffic flow safe and efficient. If you are unable to pick up your student before 3:10, please communicate this with your student so they do not exit the building early for dismissal. Families are welcome to pick their student up between 3:10-3:25, in the front of the building, if the timestamps above do not meet your family needs.
- All students taking the bus, students who are 'late' pick-ups and walkers will be dismissed beginning at 3:10 PM. Walkers should exit the front of the building.

As a friendly reminder, please drive <u>slowly</u> around the back-bus loop while picking up/dropping off your student. All students should also enter/exit the car from the passenger side of the vehicle at arrival and dismissal.

PowerSchool Access

Families that are new to MVMS will receive an email to sign up for PowerSchool access. Those families that already have a PowerSchool account will have access to their account using their username and password from last year. As a reminder, all 7th and 8th grade students have access to view their classes and grades in PowerSchool too!

Masks

On August 16th, the Goffstown School Board determined we will start the school year with masking being optional. Masks will not be required indoors or for outdoor classroom activities. A targeted mask model was presented to the Goffstown School Board (See the reopening plan on the SAU19 website for details). Targeted masking decisions may be made for unique school specific case data and may be made by based on a number of cohorts or configurations such as: busses, classrooms, grade levels, school(s), etc. As, we head into the school year, masking should be viewed based on a continuum from optional to targeted to universal and may be differentiated by (and possibly within) each school. Masks will not be implemented in a binary model where masks are 'required or they are not'. Rather a specific, targeted-model, based on case data (local cases, school transmission, etc.) and NHDHHS recommendations (if applicable) will be implemented. Targeted masking will allow the SAU to respond to specific case data. The Superintendent is authorized to change or alter mask expectations and will report to the School Board.

Text Message Alerts

Opt-in to receive school delay and cancelation alerts, as well as emergency notifications. To opt-in, text the word "Yes" to the code number 67587. *Please note: Mobile numbers must be on file in our database (PowerSchool) to opt-in. To update your mobile number contact the school office.

Reporting an Absence

Parent/guardian should call (603) 497-8288, when prompted press 2 to report a student absence. Parent/guardian should be prepared to record their name, their student's name, and the name of their student's teacher(s). A note from a parent/guardian should be presented to the homeroom teacher upon return to school.

Covid Emergency Operation Plan

On August 16th, the Goffstown School Board approved a plan for our upcoming school year. The approved plan can be found by clicking here: <u>2021/2022 SAU19 Covid Emergency Operations Plan</u>

Emergency Release

The Goffstown School District uses a district wide notification system called School Messenger. This system allows more effective communication with parents should an emergency issue arise. This includes school cancelations, delays or early dismissals due to poor weather or building emergencies such as loss of heat, water pressure or electricity. Every means of communication will be used to notify parents and guardians. In addition to School Messenger, any school closing or delay because of weather conditions will continue to be announced on WMUR-TV, Channel 9, as well as over the radio station 95.7 FM WZID before 7:00 a.m. Please refrain from calling the school. Parents should have an emergency plan in place with their student for the rare occasion they may need to be sent home early.

The Late Bus

The Late Bus will pick students up from MVMS at 5:00 and goes to preset stops. Students must sign up in the front office by 1:00 to ride the late bus each day. Students can sign up for the late bus to participate in after school activities or to access the library. Stops associated with the late bus are posted on the <u>MVMS website</u>.

Label Your Student's Clothing

Every year our lost and found is overflowing with beautiful clothing, coats, lunch boxes, etc. Approximately 4 to 5 times a year we donate our lost and found to charity. Please take the time to label your student's clothing,

backpacks, and lunchboxes so we are able to return these items to your student. If student is missing something, remind them to check the lost and found, located in the Hilltop Café.

School Counselors

If at any point during the year, you feel the need to consult with a counselor for advice for you or your student, please contact one of the following:

Jessica Jordan	Grade 5	Jessica.jordan@sau19.org
Rachel Nault	Grade 6	Rachel.nault@sau19.org
Ryanne Roy	Grade 7	Ryanne.roy@sau19.org
Erin Sakolosky	Grade 8	Erin.Sakolosky@sau19.org





Food Service Information

Students in all grades are eating lunch in the Hilltop Café. <u>All</u> school meals are FREE to ALL students! Breakfast will be available at kiosks at both drop off locations. No pre-ordering is needed since we will be using the Hilltop. For bookkeeping purposes, forms for free/reduced lunches can be found by clicking: <u>Forms</u> Please complete them as soon as possible. If you need further help either contact the MVMS kitchen or food service by emailing Megan Bizzarro, <u>megan.bizzarro@sau19.org</u>.

MVP Corner

Join Mountain View Partnership (MVP), our family partnership, by clicking this link for membership: <u>https://my.cheddarup.com/c/mvp-membership</u>

Join the Mountain View Partnership (MVP) Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/mountainviewpartnership

Mountain View Partnership (your PTO) is again offering an easy way to shop for school supplies and support MVMS at the same time. We are partnering with School Toolbox to offer custom supply lists for each grade, you can add or delete items, buy extras for the classroom and everything ships directly to you for free with any order over \$50! Just visit <u>www.schooltoolbox.com</u> and choose Mountain View Middle School. Thank you for supporting MVP!

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 2022.

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

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 19, 2021.

Order Your MVMS YEARBOOK Today!

Buy your MVMS Yearbook by November 19th for \$23.00

Purchase Link on Jostens.com: http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A01001308



2022 LEARN TO SKI & RIDE PROGRAM

We take great pride in holding the title, The Premier Teaching Mountain in New Hampshire. Our professional instructors gear every lesson toward the student's age and ability, while providing a fun learning environment. Everyone staying healthy is our #1 priority! Most up-to-date information at: patspeak.com/healthandsafety

PLUS: NH SKI & RIDE BONUS

FREE Full Day/All Lift ticket to THREE NH Mountains. Valid starting Monday, February 28, 2022 through the end of each mountain's respective ski season. Valid for students only.

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PATS PEAK



LEARNING AND FUN, IT'S WHAT WE DO BEST!

WHAT IS THIS PROGRAM?

- Weekday 5-Week Learn to Ski & Ride Series
- Participants receive a 1-hour lesson (if signed up for lessons) from a Pats Peak instructor and free ski/nde time.
- Program Dates: Fridays starting January 7th until Friday February 4th.

HOW TO REGISTER?

- It is open to Students grades 5-8
- Register online at www.patspeak.com/LTSR
 Access Code: Mountainview52022 Mountainview72022
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- Registration Ends: NO CUT OFF DATE
- Additional Registration info: If students want a season pass- it'll be under practice makesperfect, which students will be able to get when the season opens.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Paola Gomes Mespourquoi@aol.com 674-9418- please text me with any questions so I can get book to you right away.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION:

Bus transportation will not be available this year as the bus company cannot provide any due to lack of staff. Parents will have to provide transportation or can carpool up to the mountain. You can join the Facebook group- Goffstown ski club to connect with other parents, if needed.

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If this program doesn't work for your schedule, contact Pats Peak about their OPEN PROGRAM: For Individual Sign-Ups (Ages 6-17).

WHAT ABOUT EQUIPMENT?

- RENTALS: Full Rental Packages are available for the program, or for the season.
- BRING YOUR OWN: Mark equipment with NAME AND SCHOOL. Unsafe equipment will not be allowed on the mountain.

PEAK PERKS: (DISCOUNTED PRICING)

- CAFÉ CARDS
- PARENT/SIBLING FREQUENT USER CARD AND LIFT TICKETS
- HELMET, GOGGLES AND WATERPROOF MITTENS
- PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT SEASON PASS
 Unlimited Season Pass that is valid for the whole season-you don't have to wait until the program begins to use it! This discounted season pass is only available to the students of the Learn to Ski & Ride Program (must have minimum purchase of lessons. Nontransferable).

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Lessons will take place from \$:30pm-6:30pm. Free skiing can be done after until closing.



Every 10 entries sold gets you DUCT TAPE!! Stay tuned...

 Each "entry" purchased gives you 31 chances to win. Multiple entries MAY be purchased and winners names are returned for next drawing.. Must be 18 or over to enter. Prizes drawn
every day in December, winners notified by email. Product prizes will be awarded at the end of the raffle and can be shipped if winner is not local.

MVP CALENDAR FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM - Cash and Check Purchases

Entries can also be purchased online at https://calendar-raffle.cheddarup.com

NAME	PHONE	EMAIL (please print clearly)	# OF ENTRIES		TOTAL
				X \$15 EACH	
				TOTAL	

Please return form with payment to Mountain View front office by **Monday November 28th.** Raffle drawings start on December 1st. Checks should be made payable to **Mountain View Partnership.**

STUDENT NAME ______ TEAM _____ EMAIL _____ PHONE ______ PHONE ______
** Please complete to be included in totals for incentive PRIZES!! **