

March 18, 2021

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Monday, March 15th, the Goffstown School Board voted to shift phases and welcome students back into Mountain View, for in-person instruction, five days per week. We will begin this transition by first welcoming all 5th and 6th grade students, for in-person instruction, on Monday, April 5th. On Monday, April 19th, we will then welcome our 7th and 8th grade students into the building, five days per week, for in-person instruction. All students that are currently attending MVMS in a hybrid learning environment will be automatically scheduled to be in attendance at MVMS five days per week beginning on the dates listed above. Please note: We will no longer have a hybrid option available for families. If your student is currently accessing their learning in a fully remote learning environment and you wish to have your student return to the building for in-person instruction, please contact our Assistant Principal, Josh Lewis, at Joshua Lewis@sau19.org by Thursday, March 25th. We also have a limited number of seats available in our remote learning environment for those families that wish to move their student to a fully remote learning environment. These seats will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Inquiries in regard to remote learning should also be made to Josh Lewis, Assistant Principal, at the email address listed above.

Our arrival and dismissal procedures will remain the same as they have throughout the 20-21 school year when the shift occurs in April. Please note: With the influx of students attending each day, it is imperative that parents do not arrive earlier than their designated timestamp. This is especially true if your student is dismissed in the second wave of pick-up, from 2:50-3:00. If families arrive too early, it blocks traffic at all of our designated pick-up spots and causes traffic concerns. As a reminder, a detailed explanation of the arrival/dismissal procedures are below.

In other, exciting news, we have set the date for Grade 8 promotion. The promotion ceremony will be held at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium (home of the Fisher Cats) on Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. The ceremony will take place at either 2:00 or 3:00 (we are still awaiting time confirmation). Please note: the ceremony is scheduled for the afternoon due to Goffstown High School using the same venue, on the same day, later that evening. A secondary date has also been established, in case of inclement weather, for Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. More information, including ticket information, will be communicated as we get closer to the month of June.

As always, I appreciate and am thankful for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Wendy Kohler, Principal

# **Important Dates**

April 5 <sup>th</sup> (Mon.)	All 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> grade students return for 5 days per week, if student is accessing an in-person learning environment
April 19th (Mon.)	All 7th and 8th grade students return for 5 days per week, if student is accessing an in-person learning envionrment
April 26-30	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
June 10th (Thursday)	Grade 8 Promotion Ceremony at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester, NH (home of the Fisher Cats). Time: TBD (Rain Date: Tuesday, June 22 <sup>nd</sup> )
June 16 <sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)	Last Day of School for all students

#### We are HIRING!

As SAU 19 evaluates a phase change to bring more students into the buildings, our need for support and coverage in the buildings continues to be critically important. If your schedule allows, please consider applying to be a teacher and/or paraprofessional substitute. Training is provided. Any substitutes who commit to regularly substitute on a weekly basis will be paid \$100 per day for those days through the end of this school year. You can commit to as little as one day per week or as many as 5 days per week. To apply, please visit <a href="http://goffstown.k12.nh.us/SAU19">http://goffstown.k12.nh.us/SAU19</a> and click on "Resources" then "Employment".

For additional information please contact Kate Magrath, Human Resources Director at <a href="magrath@sau19.org">kate.magrath@sau19.org</a> or 603-497-4818. We appreciate your support!

#### **Arrival and Dismissal**

Morning Arrival – Parent/Guardian drop-offs will occur from 8:00-8:20. Please follow the updated traffic pattern (utilizing the back bus loop around the building). Bus Drop-offs will occur from approximately 8:20-8:30 AM, and will utilize the same entrances. If your son/daughter walks to school, or if you are dropping your child off after 8:20, please use the front entrance only. The back bus loop is only available until 8:20 to allow for busses to arrive safely and efficiently to continue their routes.

All 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will report directly to homeroom while all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will report directly to Period A.

**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 2:40-3:00 PM.

- Monday/Wednesday Cohort: Students who have the last name beginning with A-D will be dismissed at 2:40. Parents are asked to arrive between 2:40-2:50 PM to keep traffic flow. Students with the last name letters E-K will be dismissed at 2:50. Parents are asked to arrive at MVMS between 2:50-3:00 PM. Cars may not enter the back of the building after 3:05 PM. The pick-up time listed above will stay the same when students move to five days per week of instruction next month.
- Tuesday/Thursday Cohort: Students who have the last name beginning with L-P will be dismissed at 2:40. Parents are asked to arrive between 2:40-2:50 PM to keep traffic flow.
   Students with the last name letters Q-Z will be dismissed at 2:50. Parents are asked to arrive at MVMS between 2:50-3:00 PM. Cars may not enter the back of the building after 3:05 PM. The

pick-up time listed above will stay the same when students move to five days per week of instruction next month.

- 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 child 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 child 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. Thank you for reminding your student to exit the vehicle with their cloth mask covering on, when arriving at MVMS in the morning.

# **Spring 2021 Statewide Testing Information for MVMS:**

Students in grades five through eight will be participating in the Statewide Assessment System (SAS) summative assessments this spring. Please read the letter from the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent (<u>Click Here</u>) regarding SAS assessment information and federal and state requirements. Please continue to check your child's teacher's website for more detailed information regarding test administration as it becomes available.

# **TEST TAKING TIPS**

- Eat a good breakfast the morning of the test. High-protein foods like scrambled eggs are often best for aiding concentration and minimizing fatigue.
- Get a full night's sleep before the test. A lack of sleep may impact your performance.
- Wear comfortable clothing.
- Bring an independent reading book in case you finish early.



# **In-Person Testing Schedule:**

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Reading	4/12	Reading	4/7	Reading	5/10	Reading	4/21
Writing	4/13	Writing	4/8	Writing	5/11	Writing	4/22
Math	4/15	Math	4/14	Math	5/12	Math	5/4
Science	4/20					Science	5/5

# **Remote Student Testing Schedule**

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Grade 5		Grae	Grade 6		Grade 7		<u>Grade 8</u>	
Reading	5/13	Reading	5/6	Reading	5/19	Reading	5/17	
Writing	5/13	Writing	5/6	Writing	5/19	Writing	5/17	
Math	5/14	Math	5/7	Math	5/20	Math	5/18	
Science	5/14					Science	5/18	

# Full Remote Students in Grade 7 and Grade 8

Please make sure your student checks their email/Google Classroom for the links to our 'live' instruction for social studies, language arts, grade level math and science each week.

### **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.

Students who are accessing their learning in a fully remote learning environment, who will not be attending, should also be called into the absence line as well.

# **School Picture Pick-Up**

As a friendly reminder, all parents of students who are accessing a remote only environment – we still have a fair amount of school pictures that were ordered and are waiting to be picked up in the front office. Please stop by MVMS anytime between 8:30-4:00 to pick them up!

### **PBIS** Theme of the Month – Perseverance

March's PBIS Theme of the Month is Perseverance. Staff and students are focused on what perseverance looks like here at MVMS and how one should go about perservering through life's toughest challenges. Be sure to chat with your student about what he/she is learning about Perseverance.

#### Yearbook

# Purchase your 2021 Yearbook TODAY!

Click/copy & paste the link below to place your order for your 2020-2021 Mountain View Middle School Yearbook TODAY!

https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/catalog/1010121/Mountain-View-Middle-School/YEARBOOK CATALOG/Yearbooks/

# **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.

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## **Guidance Counselors**

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

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

# **Health Corner**

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact every aspect of our lives and the MVMS nurses would like to provide you with some additional information to keep your family and our school community safe and healthy as now that we have returned from vacation. In order to ensure our schools stay open, and our students stay well, we continue to ask that all students, parents, and staff remain diligent in adhering to the SAU 19 COVID-19 guidelines (see attached). Below are some reminders for everyone to keep in mind as we embark on vacation week.

- Social distancing, the use of cloth face coverings, monitoring for symptoms, and avoiding those who are sick are still important public health measures that we should all be following both in school or out.
- If any of your family members develop symptoms of COVID-19, even mild, call your PCP and seek COVID-19 testing.
- Travel outside of New England carries an increased risk for contracting COVID-19, all students who travel outside of New England will be required to quarantine for 10 days upon return home and may not attend school.
- If your child has had close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 they must quarantine for 10 days after the last exposure to that person and may not attend school.
- If a household member has been diagnosed with COVID-19 (parent, sibling) your child must remain in quarantine for an additional 10 days after the infected person has completed their 10 days of isolation and they may not attend school.
- Although persons may be released from quarantine after 10 days, COVID-19 has an incubation period of 2-14 days, your child could still become symptomatic and spread the virus for up to 14 days after exposure. It is important to monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for a full 14 days after exposure and seek testing if symptoms develop.
- If you attend gatherings with persons outside of your immediate household you significantly increase the risk for COVID-19 exposure, these types of gatherings are strongly discouraged by public health officials.
- Prior to sending your child to school each morning please assess your child for COVID-19 symptoms and
  consider your child's COVID-19 exposure risk, if you are questioning sending your child to school please
  call the MVMS nurses and we can assist you.
- As always, if your child presents to school with any complaints of illness, they will be sent home and be required to isolate for 10 days or seek COVID-19 testing.

The MVMS nurses truly appreciate all of your continued cooperation as we navigate this pandemic. We are here as a resource for you and your family and encourage you to reach out with any questions or concerns.

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

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

# **Food Service Information**

# ~ This year all school meals are FREE to ALL students! ~

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.

# **Goffstown Parks and Recreation Programs**

# Youth Lacrosse

Registration for Goffstown Parks and Recreation lacrosse is open now! This program is available to all boys and girls ages 7-14. Teams will be created based on players age and registration numbers, boys and girls will play separately. This is a competitive travel program that stresses skill development, sportsmanship, and fun. All abilities are invited to participate, there are no tryouts.

Games will be played on Sundays with practices throughout the week, beginning in April and going until June. Home games and practices will take place at Sarette Field in Pinardville; away games will be at varying locations in NH.

For more information please visit: <a href="https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/parks-and-recreation-youth-lacrosse">https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/parks-and-recreation-youth-lacrosse</a>

To register please visit: <a href="https://goffstown.recdesk.com/Community/Program">https://goffstown.recdesk.com/Community/Program</a>

# Parks and Rec ESports

Registration for the ESports Spring Season is open! GPR is excited to be joining GGLeagues for another 6-week season. We are offering the following games from last season: **Rocket League**, **Super Smash Bros**, and **Madden21**. We have also added **Fortnite** to the list of games!

Gamers will play in the NH Recreation ESports League, beginning April 12. At the end of the season, players will participate in a single elimination tournament to be crowned the Champion!

You must have the specific game/console to play in these leagues. To find out what consoles are needed please visit the link below!

For more information please visit: https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/new-esports

To register please visit:

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# Parks and Rec Summer Playground

The Summer Playground Program is a fun-filled, 8-week program held at Barnard and Roy Park. This program offers arts and crafts, card and board games, outdoor games, sports, and various other activities. Campers will have daily access to the swimming pools and playgrounds available at both parks. Additionally, every Friday both sites will come together at Barnard Park for a special event. Weekly special events can include tie-dye day, summer survivor challenge, pickleball tournaments, dodgeball tournaments, candy bar Olympics, and more!

This program takes place Monday through Friday from 8:30am-4pm. Participants may register for as many weeks as they desire and at whichever location they prefer, given that spots are available. Registration will begin March 1st

For more information please visit: <a href="https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/parks-and-recreation-summer-playground">https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/parks-and-recreation-summer-playground</a>

To register please visit: https://goffstown.recdesk.com/Community/Program

# **Agoge Wrestling Club**

Have an athlete who is interested in wrestling? Please see the attached flyer for more information if your student(s) is interested in joining the Agoge Wrestling Club.

# Girl Scout Discovery Zone, Mall of New Hampshire

Feeling a little bored at home and need to get some exercise? Join the Girl Scout Discovery Zone at the Mall of NH to participate in Zumba/dance and Karate classes. See the attached flyer for more details

# **Goffstown Junior Baseball**

Registration for Goffstown Junior Baseball is open now at <a href="www.GoffstownJrBaseball.com">www.GoffstownJrBaseball.com</a>. Available for boys and girls from ages 4-12. Email <a href="GJBBoard@GoffstownJrBaseball.com">GJBBoard@GoffstownJrBaseball.com</a> if you have any questions. See you on the field!



# The Spring 2021 Season is here...

Registration is OPEN and closes on 3/15/21. Team Shirt/Face Covering provided.

*6U Division* - \$30 8U Division - \$55

10U, 12U, & 16U Divisions - \$75

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Register Online at: www.leaguelineup.com/goffstownbaberuth/

Interested in coaching or have more questions?

Contact league President, Sean Sweeney at <a href="mailto:Sweeney16@comcast.net">Sweeney16@comcast.net</a>



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Goffstown NH Babe Ruth Girls Softball League

to stay up to date on all exciting league news & events

# **MAGNIFY VOICES**



# EXPRESSIVE ARTS CONTEST

2021 THIRD ANNUAL

Youth in grades 5 - 12 are invited to submit creative pieces about their experiences with mental health in New Hampshire. Winners will be chosen by a panel of judges with varied expertise according to their grade (5-8th and 9-12th). All creative pieces will be showcased to help raise awareness, erase stigma and effectuate change! To participate:

- Create a short film (2 minutes or less)
- Write an essay or poem (1000 words or less)
- Design another medium of expression such as a painting, song, or sculpture



# **DUE: MARCH 31**



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# LET'S GET MOVING!







# GIRL SCOUT DISCOVERY ZONE, MALL OF NH, MANCHESTER, NH

Let's get moving this spring! Join us for sessions in Zumba/dance and Karate at the Girl Scout Discovery Zone at the Mall of New Hampshire. Try something new and learn the basics in a 45-minute session or come for a glow session with low lighting and glowsticks!

Glow Karate

Friday, March 19 7:00 p.m. **Karate Demonstration** 

Saturday, March 27 3:00 p.m.

Glow Zumba/dance

Friday, April 2 7:00 p.m. Zumba/dance

Sunday, April 18 3:00 p.m.

To learn more, visit girlscoutsgwm.org/youreinvited



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