

PAWS News

March 24, 2022 Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Office of the Principal

Dear MVMS Community,

This week, MVMS began administering the Statewide Assessment System (SAS). Our students will be applying their skills in the areas of reading, math, writing, and science. These assessments provide us with important data regarding the students' learning as well as data that may guide curricular decisions. Please see the post below for testing dates for your child and please note that the Science assessment is only administered in grades 5 and 8.

I would like to request all families help to support our students by reminding them to get a good night's sleep and to eat a healthy breakfast. Additionally, we will be providing students with snacks during testing days to help ensure that our students have the fuel they need to work through these assessments and to perform their best.

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 will affect your performance.
- Wear comfortable clothing.
- Bring an independent reading book in case you finish early.

Testing Schedule:

<u>Grade 8</u>		Grae	Grade 7		<u>de 6</u>	Grade 5		
Reading	3/23	Reading	3/28	Reading	4/11	Reading	5/4	
Writing	3/24	Writing	3/29	Writing	4/12	Writing	5/5	
Math	3/30	Math	4/5	Math	4/14	Math	4/19	
Science	3/31					Science	4/20	

Sincerely, Wendy Kohler Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
Today	Staff & Student Basketball Game
April 25-29	April Vacation: No School
June 8	8 th Grade Promotion, Time: TBD

MVMS ADMINISTRATORS

Ms. Kim Rivers

Ms. Wendy Kohler Principal

Ms. Brandy Williams **Assistant Principal** Mr. Lyle Hamel **Curriculum Coordinator**

Special Education Facilitator Dean of Students Mr. Josh Lewis



Spring 2022 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 (Click Here) regarding SAS assessment information and federal and state requirements. Please continue to check teachers' website for more detailed information regarding test administration as it becomes available.

MVP Spring Fundraiser

Your Mountain View Partnership is happy to bring you something new and delicious for our spring fundraiser. NOTHING BUNDT CAKES are delicious Bundt cakes and "Bundlets" to bring some sweetness to your Easter or spring table! They're baked in MA and delivered fresh and delicious!

You can order online with the code below or by using the paper form and submitting cash or checks. We will also be sending forms home with kids so check the backpacks!

Deadline is April 5th and these are PICKUP ONLY on Friday 4/15 from 3-5 pm, just in time for Easter! Please contact us at mvpgoffstown@gmail.com with any questions and thank you for supporting our students!



2022 is a midterm election year. Goffstown's town committees and departments are currently preparing this year's budget. How can individual citizens make their voices heard and shape the policies which affect their daily lives? How can we as a community foster the common sense of purpose and belonging which enable effective representative governance?

Join the Goffstown Public Library for the 2022 Community Conversations focusing on Civics. We will investigate how citizens can and should work together to solve public problems. Our series of programs will include book discussions, trivia, events in partnership with the New Hampshire Institute of Politics at Saint Anselm College and the Geisel Library at Saint Anselm College, along with empowering explorations and conversations about how we the people can and should steer the ship of our democracy.

Lions Club International Peace Poster

Congratulations to 8th grader Keira Schaefer - Winner of the 2021 Pinardville Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest. She was recognized at a recent dinner meeting of the Club. She and her family were guests of honor, where she spoke about the theme of her entry "we are all connected". Keira was awarded a modest cash prize and her name has been added to a plaque of past contest winners outside of the 7&8 art room here at MVMS.



Distance Learning Day

Here is a short video on distance learning that was shared with students: https://youtu.be/q87c5z-6u5w. Specific information regarding the plan distance learning days for MVMS can be found on the MVMS website.

Bus driver shortages at the Goffstown Truck Center

Superintendent Brian Balke provided important updates on the challenges we are experiencing with school bus driver shortages to the Goffstown School Board this past Monday 01/24/22. If you are interested in the full

discussion, the link to the meeting is here. Our continued apologies for the disruptions in busing services as we know how difficult and challenging these circumstances are for families. Anyone interested in becoming a bus driver may contact Goffstown Truck Center at (603)497-3111. GTC offers a sign-on bonus and paid training.

Text Messaging Opt in Process

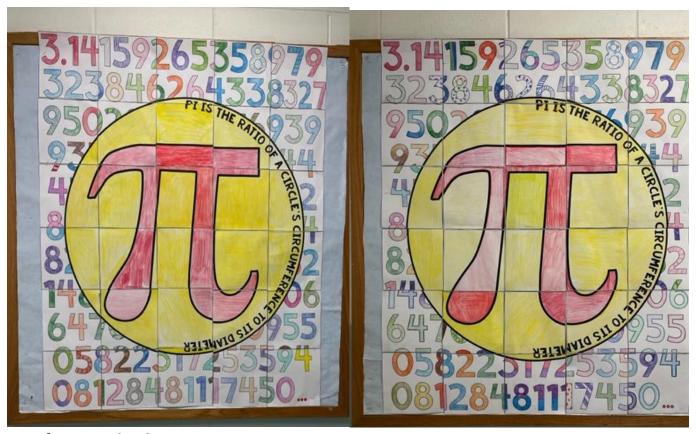
We continue to strive to deliver timely messages to parents, guardians and staff utilizing our School Messenger service. Superintendent Brian Balke is purposeful in what methodology he uses to communicate various messages. In order to opt-in to text messaging, send a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number 67587. Refer to the attached document for more information. Mobile numbers must be in our PowerSchool system for parents, guardians and staff to receive text messages. Please reach out to the individual schools if you have additional questions about our School Messenger service.

Thank you,

SAU 19 Technology Department Goffstown and New Boston School Districts

Artwork

Below are collaborative pieces of work completed by our 7th graders on March 14th in observation of Pi Day!



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 our main office at 603-497-8288 or apply through our <u>district employment opportunities</u>.

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

PBIS Theme of the Month – Perseverance

Each month the MVMS community focuses on a specific aspect of character. March's theme is perseverance. Perseverance is defined as persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

Update from the Nurses:

Dear Parents & Guardians:

Although COVID-19 case numbers are dropping, we ask that all our students and staff remain committed to preventing the spread of COVID-19. Here are some things to keep in mind as we continue to navigate the everchanging pandemic:

- Please DO NOT send your child to school if they are exhibiting any new or unexplained symptoms
 including: headache, runny nose, cough, fever, sore throat, fatigue, diarrhea, nausea or vomiting, muscle
 or body aches, shortness of breath, and loss of taste or smell. Students will still be sent home for any
 illness complaints and you will be required to get them a COVID-19 test before they can return to school.
 This includes even mild or singular symptoms.
- If your **child tests positive** for COVID-19 please contact the school as soon as possible.
- If someone in your home tests positive for COVID-19, DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL and call the MVMS nurses. Quarantine is still required for unvaccinated students or those not **Up to Date** with vaccination when there is a household contact. Students who are **Up to Date** with COVID-19 vaccination must be masked in school. (See below for updated guidance on vaccination).
- If your child has had contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 **outside of the home,** regardless of vaccination status, they must be masked in indoor public settings for 14 days after last exposure. You should monitor for symptoms, get your child tested if they exhibit symptoms and consider a PCR test 5-7 days after the last exposure.
- SAU 19 is following guidelines from both the CDC and NH DHHS in regards to COVID-19 vaccination. In order to be considered "Up to Date" with COVID-19 vaccination, your child must be within 5 months of receiving the primary COVID-19 vaccine series, or if more than 5 months has passed since their second COVID-19 vaccine, they must receive a booster shot in order to be considered "Up to Date". If your child is beyond 5 months from their second COVID-19 vaccine please schedule a booster shot as soon as possible to maintain the "Up to Date" status.

The MVMS Nurses are here to help with any additional questions or concerns you may have. Please feel free to contact us as needed.

Sara Matatall & Susan Potvin 660-5623 660-5615

Sara.matatall@sau19.0rg susan.potvin@sau19.org

Purchase your 2022 Yearbook TODAY!

Please click the link below to make your yearbook purchase today. We will order a few extras, but there will be a limited supply of extra yearbooks this year. Please secure your yearbook by pre-ordering!! Don't miss out on this opportunity.

https://www.jostens.com/apps/jcom/router.mvc?affiliateId=1010121

Sports Information

Thank you for supporting our MVMS athletes. Our team schedules can be found at this link: https://goffstownathletics.com/main/calendar/. 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.

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.

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.

- o All 5th and 6th grade students will report directly to their homeroom.
- o 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!

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.

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 predetermined 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 MVMS website.

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
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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

The Mountain View Partnership is your MVMS parent teacher organization. To become a supporting member, click the link below. You will be given an option to join the MVP Student Directory and will receive a copy in return. The link is https://my.cheddarup.com/c/mvp-membership. You will also be enrolled to receive emails on current fundraisers and events sponsored by MVP!

MVP meets on the first Monday of each month at 6:00pm in the Information Center/Library. Everyone is welcome, we'd love to have your input, it truly takes a village! To stay informed on our upcoming events and fundraisers you may also join our Facebook Group at https://www.facebook.com/mountainviewpartnership.

Order Your MVMS YEARBOOK

Today!



Buy your MVMS Yearbook TODAY!



Parents and Guardians

You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.*

You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number, 67587.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop".



SchoolMessenger is compliant with the <u>Student Privacy Pledge™</u>, so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.

Opt-In from your mobile phone now!



Just send "Y" or "Yes" to 67587



SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a "text message". Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchooliMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as "short code" texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wheless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

"Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See schoolmessenger.com/bit for more info.

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The Spring 2022 Season is here...

Registration is OPEN and will close on 4/3/22.

Team Shirt provided.

6U Division - \$35

8U Division - \$65

10U, 12U, & 16U Divisions - \$85

Register Online at: www.goffstownsoftball.com

Interested in coaching or have more questions?

Contact league President, Sean Sweeney at Sweeney16@comcast.net



Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at:

Goffstown NH Babe Ruth Girls Softball League

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



MVP SPRING FUNDRAISER!

"NOTHING BUNDT CAKES", baked fresh in Peabody, MA!

Delicious desserts for your Easter or Spring table! Buy one 8" Bundt cake, or perfect single serving "Bundtlets". With 2 sizes and 7 flavors, what will you choose?

DEADLINE 4/5. PICKUP ONLY at MVMS on Friday 4/15! Order form on back or scan code for online ordering.





STUDENT NAME:

HOMEROOM:

NOTHING BUNDT CAKES ORDER FORM: Cash & Check purchase only

Bundt Cakes can also be purchase online at https://nothing-bundt-cake-fundraiser-62586.cheddarup.com

8" Bundt Cakes \$28

Bundtlet \$6 each

Total	\$44.00					
Chip Cookie Bundtlet						
Gluten Free Choc Choc						
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Please Make Checks Payable to Mountain View Partnership

TOTAL ENCLOSED

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Join the Screamin' Eagles Cheerleaders!!

A competitive organization with many State, Regional and
National Championship Titles
Grades K-8
Ages 5-14 (as of 7/31/22)
Including the communities of Dunbarton, Goffstown, New Boston and Weare

First day of practice will be August 1st, 2022

Outdoor practices: Monday-Thursday 5:30-7:30pm Location:TBD

No Experience Required

Early Bird registration \$150/athlete until 5/31/2022

Registration after 5/31/2022 will be \$200 per athlete Includes uniform, Bloomers & sneakers for athlete

Register your athlete at <u>www.NHYFSC.org</u>

For More Information: Visit our Goffstown Screamin' Eagles Facebook Page
Contact: gsecheer@gmail.com

Lancer - Grizzly

Summer Hoop Camp 2022





July 11th - July 14th - Week 1 @ Londonderry High School

July 18th - July 21st - Week 2 @ Goffstown High School

For Girls In Grades 3 - 10

TIME: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

COST: \$225 per camper per week (\$400 for campers attending 2 weeks)*

- SKILLS AND DRILLS
- TEAM OFFENSE + DEFENSE
- DRIBBLE DRIVE
- PICK AND ROLL
- PASS + CUT
- TEAM COMMUNICATION
- TEAM + INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS
- LECTURES

This camp will focus on individual player development and fundamental skills, shooting and defense. Campers will get direct instruction from members of the LHS and GHS Basketball Coaching staff, as well as varsity players and alumni.

TO REGISTER PLEASE EMAIL THE FOLLOWING INFO TO lancergirlshoop@gmail.com:

NAME GRADE EMAIL PHONE HOMETOWN

^{*}Discounts also available for multiple sibling/same household campers