



PAWS News

April 9, 2022

Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Office of the Principal

Dear MVMS Community,

We are excited to share that many of our teams are busy scheduling field trips! Often, our teams will reach out for volunteer chaperones. In order to chaperone a school field trip, individuals need to complete the volunteer fingerprinting process and complete an online bullying training.

The Goffstown Police Department (GPD) has partnered with our district and will now accept SAU 19 volunteers at the police station during the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, Monday through Friday. You do not need to make an appointment but you will need to bring a photo ID with you, and tell them you are an SAU 19 volunteer. In the event you cannot make it during these open hours, you may stop by the GPD at any time, but the availability of an officer to take your prints may be limited and you may have to wait for an available officer or you may be asked to try again at a different date and time.

Once your fingerprinting is complete, GPD will provide you with an electronic receipt. This receipt needs to be sent to the SAU office along with the following forms. It is very important that you know your prints are only good for 30 days from the day they are taken to the day they are received in Concord. Please return all documents to the SAU office as soon after fingerprinting as you can:

[A completed Criminal Record Release Authorization Form](#). Payment of \$25 made payable to State of NH – Criminal Records (personal checks or money orders are the only form of payment accepted)

- [Volunteer Information Sheet](#)
- [Volunteer Application Agreement Form](#)
- [Volunteer Confidentiality Agreement Form #1](#) (Goffstown & New Boston)
- [Volunteer Confidentiality Agreement #2](#) (New Boston Only)
- [Verification of Bullying Training Form](#)

The Bullying Training can be found on our [website](#). Volunteers are required to watch the video annually and submit the bullying training form to the SAU office to stay current on the list. Once your fingerprinting record check is returned to the SAU office the schools will be notified that you are an approved volunteer. You should contact the school directly to confirm if you have been approved for volunteering.

SAU 19 Volunteer polices can be found on our website: [Volunteers](#) and [Volunteer Regulations](#).

Please note, this process is taking up to 30 days. It is critical that you complete this process in a timely manner if there is a particular event that you want to volunteer for. Any questions about this process can be directed to the SAU office at 603-497-4818.

Sincerely,
Wendy Kohler
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
April 25-29	Spring Recess: No School
May 3	Transition Night: Incoming 7 th Grade Students from NBSC
May 5	Transition Night: Incoming 5 th Grade Students from Bartlett and Maple Avenue
May 24	Spring Music Concert (Band & Strings: All Grades)
May 25	Spring Music Concert (Chorus: All Grades)
May 26	8 th Grade Excellence Night (Invitation Only)
May 27	Memorial Day Assembly
June 3	8 th Grade Dance
June 8	8 th Grade Promotion, Time: TBD

MVMS ADMINISTRATORS

Ms. Wendy Kohler	Principal
Ms. Brandy Williams	Assistant Principal
Mr. Lyle Hamel	Curriculum Coordinator
Ms. Kim Rivers	Special Education Facilitator
Mr. Josh Lewis	Dean of Students



Updated School Calendar

A revision was made to the 2021-2022 school district calendar due to the February 25th snow day. The last day of the 2021-2022 school year is now June 15, 2022. Also, the Board approved the 2022-2023 school district calendar at their last school board meeting. Both calendars are posted on the [SAU website](#).

Course Selection

MVMS online course selection will be made available to parents on Tuesday, April 20, 2022. This will allow parents and their student to select their preference regarding music, chorus, band, world language, etc. This form will be made available digitally and should be completed by Thursday, May 5, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact your student's teacher or school counselor. More information to follow soon!

PBIS Theme of the Month – Responsibility

Each month the MVMS community focuses on a specific aspect of character development. April's theme is responsibility. Responsibility can be defined as accepting that you are the cause and the solution of the matter. Our MVMS students show demonstrate responsibility by taking care of our school grounds, watching out for each other, and using appropriate language.

Update from the Nurses:

Allergy season is here. If your child suffers from seasonal allergies, please make sure they are taking their allergy medication daily, at home, as these medications will not be provided from the MVMS Health Office.

The pandemic presents additional challenges for children suffering from seasonal allergies as we are not able to distinguish between COVID-19 symptoms and allergy symptoms. If your child has a history of seasonal allergies, we must have written documentation from their PCP stating they have a diagnosis of season allergies. If your child presents with allergy symptoms that could also be a symptom of COVID-19 we cannot rule out COVID-19 without a documented diagnosis of seasonal allergies. Depending on symptoms, your child may be subject to dismissal from school and may be required to get a COVID-19 test. Thank you for your understanding and continued cooperation.

Susan Potvin RN & Sara Matatall RN
MVMS School Nurses

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.

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>		<u>Grade 7</u>		<u>Grade 6</u>		<u>Grade 5</u>	
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

After School Shore Bird Carving

A group of 7th grade students recently completed an enrichment activity – creating a hand carved and painted Shore Bird Silhouette that will be entered in the Youth Division of a World Carving Contest in April 2022. This year’s bird is the Spotted Sandpiper. Alas, the official Ward World Carving Championship in Maryland has been cancelled. No worry – we had of our own show and contest! This year’s Sandpiper carvings were judged by Don Combs of Auburn NH. Don is a Master woodcarver and has been a judge at the ‘Worlds’ for many years. While we did not have the nice ribbons that normally might be awarded – they were judged as an excellent display of artistry and craftsmanship by this group of talented young carvers. Bragging rights go to Lily Fedock who was awarded Best in show. Honorable Mentions go to Alexis Bird, Gracie Janowski, Ashlyn Langevin, Charlotte Small and Ava Tennett. The group is looking forward to carving and entering again next year! - Mark Kilmister, 7&8 Art Teacher



Art Club Pieces

Below are pieces of art work completed by our 5th & 6th graders during Art Club with Ms. Staples.



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

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 [district employment opportunities](#).

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).

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.

- 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 slowly 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 cancellations, 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

Food Service Information

Students in all grades are eating lunch in the Hilltop Café. All 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: [Forms](#)
Please complete them as soon as possible. If you need further help either contact the MVMS kitchen or food service by emailing Megan Bizarro, megan.bizarro@sau19.org.

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>.

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**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 [Student Privacy Pledge™](#), 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

 **Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:**

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, SchoolMessenger, 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 wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 40999, 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/bt 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 SSweeney16@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!



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 www.NHYFSC.org

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



**Sponsored by
Pinarville Lions Club and Goffstown Lions Club**

Saturday, April 9, 2022

Location – Roy Park

Times:

9:00 am	Ages 1 & 2
9:45 am	Ages 3 to 5
10:30 am	Ages 6 to 9
11:15 am	Ages 10 to 12

Parking is limited so we ask for cooperation with timing.

Together we serve.

