

PAWS News

May 2, 2022 Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Special Edition: Cubbies of the Students

Dear MVMS Community,

Staff appreciation week is this week! We would like to thank them for all that they do. Teachers are the key to a school. They make learning fun, are flexible with due dates, always help when needed, and are dedicated to what they do. Imagine you are in class and it's the big test day. But, the thing is you don't understand the topic you're learning. When teachers make fun lesson plans, most students end up engaging and actually understanding the topic. So, on the day of the test you are more prepared. This includes UA teachers and paraprofessionals. Our staff help organize some things around the school, such as concerts, art club, chess club, and sports teams, which are all run by staff and helpful volunteers.

There are also lots of people who help out the classroom teachers and support them through thick and thin. When the teachers are in trouble with technology, Mr. Smith and Mr. Forsythe are always there to help. In the library, Mrs. O'Riley has set up activities to do, such as the makerspace. This is where you can play games, code, and create. There are also other organizations that she handles, like the book fair. If you are ever feeling sad, mad, unsure, or just want to talk, there are wonderful school counselors there to help! The school nurses also help out by taking care of our wounds and battlescars.

Our custodians work so hard that they received the 2022 a Cornerstone award. It recognizes excellence in the job that they are doing. They do lots for us at MVMS like, staying late to clean classrooms, sweeping the halls, and keeping our school clean. The kitchen staff make sure we have a full stomach to last the day. The awesome thing is, there is not just one option! They set up a variety of things like salads, subs, fruits, vegetables, and the main meal of the day!

Another group of people that help out around the school are parents and volunteers. They work to make MVMS better. For example, when staffing gets low, they can sign up to sub in for teachers. These volunteers also set special events, like Strings Fest, school dances, the bookfair, and more. We appreciate all the help!

Ms. Kohler, Ms. Williams, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Hamel, and Ms. Rivers are all a part of administration. They help enforce rules and keep our school showing it's PAWS PRIDE. These people are the final pieces to a great school. The staff at MVMS do so much for us and we would like to recognize that! You could thank a staff member by writing a card, sending an email, helping out, smiling (which would make their day!), or just simply saying thank you. You all make MVMS the way it is!

Sincerely, Kaelyn Boisvert, Emily Caouette, and Aubrey Caron MVMS 7th Grade Students

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date			
April 25-29	Spring Recess: No School		
May 2-6	Scholastic Book Fair		
	Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week		
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 12	Field Trip: All of 5 th Grade		
May 24	Spring Music Concert (Band & Strings: All Grades)		
May 25	Spring Music Concert (Chorus: All Grades)		
May 27	Memorial Day Assembly		
June 3	8 th Grade Dance		
June 8	8 th Grade Promotion, Time: TBD		
TBD	8 th Grade Excellence Night (Invitation Only)		

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 was made available to parents on Tuesday April 19, 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.

2022 Summer Reading Sign-Up

Sign up for the 2022 Summer Reading Program. All parents should sign up their student for a summer reading book! In the fall, students will participate in discussions and activities with their peers and teachers about the book they choose. Please reach out to Amy O'Riley, our school librarian, with any questions.

Book List Handout

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1aFTJ2W5hU7wLIDxIjZkhR4iwxBNPX73U8Wk0DRcer1Y/edit?usp=sharing

Parent Sign Up Form https://forms.office.com/r/Jke4ZAs6Xp

Summer Reading Presentation https://tinyurl.com/MVMS2022SummerReading

Scholastic Book Fair at MVMS

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at MVMS from Monday, May 2nd through Friday, May 6th in the MVMS Information Center. The fair will be open during the school day. Students will have the opportunity to visit the fair during their ELA classes or ask for permission for a pass to come on their own. The fair will also be open on Tuesday and Thursday evenings during the Transition Nights for incoming 5th and 7th grade students. Book Fair flyers and more information have been sent out to students during ELA classes this week. We encourage families to create an eWallet for students to use as a payment option. We also have teacher wishlists and teacher eWallets set up for families and students to donate to the library and our teacher's classroom libraries. Please visit our online Book Fair website for more information, links to the teachers wishlists and eWallets for donations. Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts during our Book Fair. Please reach out to Mrs. O'Riley (amy.oriley@sau18.org), our library media specialist, with any questions. Here is the link to our online

fair: https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mvmsgoffstown



Update from the Nurses: Attention 6th Grade Parents

The State of NH requires all students entering 7th grade to receive the **Tdap** vaccine (Tetanus and Pertussis) prior to the start of 7th grade. Most children receive this vaccine between ages 10-12. Many current 6th graders are still missing documentation of this vaccine. If your child received this vaccine, we ask that you send in a copy of their immunization record prior to the end of the school year. If your student has not had the Tdap vaccine, please make arrangements with your child's health care provider for him/ her to receive this vaccine before the start of school in September and submit a copy of your student's vaccine record to the MVMS nurses once completed. Feel free to contact the MVMS Health Office with any questions or concerns.

Thank you, Susan Potvin RN & Sara Matatall RN MVMS School Nurses

Transitional Information

- Click [here] for informational videos about transition topics or you can view them on the Mountain View Middle School website:
 - MVMS School Tour
 - Information Center
 - School Sports
 - Music
 - Food Service
 - Health Office
 - Guidance Department
 - Visual Arts
 - Physical Education
- An online course selection form has been made available to parents. Parents and students will choose
 which music and/or world language class they would like to take. This form has been made available
 digitally and we are asking that it be completed by Thursday, May 5, 2022.
- Team Placements will be released by August 1, 2022. Thank you for understanding that we do not accept requests for teams, teachers, or peers.

If you have any questions or concerns throughout this process, please reach out to your student's school counselor or a member of their current team.

Volunteering for Field Trips

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:

<u>A completed Criminal Record Release Authorization Form</u>. 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 <u>website</u>. 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.

Art Club Pieces

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



Eagle Project Fundraiser

One of our MVMS students is completing an Eagle Project for our MVMS school grounds. He is collecting soft goods, textiles, and houseware items to raise money for his project. Please check out the link below for more information: https://fundrive.savers.com/e/scoutsbsafundrive042422

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.

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.

- 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

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.

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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: qsecheer@qmail.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
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