

PAWS News

May 20, 2022 Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Special Edition: 8th Grade Reminders

The end of the school year is rapidly approaching, and it is an exciting time for our grade 8 students. A number of activities are planned to recognize and celebrate our students' accomplishments at Mountain View Middle School. Below are some important dates and details regarding the end of the year activities. Please feel free to contact a member of the administrative team if you have any questions or concerns.

Grade 8 Recognition Dance/Celebration

Date: Friday, June 3, 2022
Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Where: MVMS Hilltop Cafeteria

- We encourage all of our MVMS Grade 8 students to attend the Grade 8 Recognition Dance/Celebration sponsored by Student Government.
- Admission to the Dance/Celebration is free and limited to currently enrolled MVMS Grade 8 students.
- Drop off 6:30 in back of the Hilltop/playground entrance.
- Pick-up 8:30 in the front of MVMS.
- As a gentle reminder, the recognition dance is not a formal event. Students are encouraged to dress comfortably. In the past, most students chose to wear khaki style shorts, polo shirts, short-sleeve button up shirts (with or without a tie), skirts or sun dresses.
- Students must be in attendance on June 3rd to attend the dance. Students may not be dismissed prior to 2:00.

Grade 8 Promotion Ceremony

Date: Wednesday, June 8, 2022 (Rain Date: Thursday, June 9, 2022)

Time: 2:00 (Students arrive at 1:15)

Where: Delta Dental Stadium, Home of the Fisher Cats, Manchester

- We welcome all of our MVMS Grade 8 students to attend our promotional ceremony.
- We recommend appropriate student dress for a promotional exercise. Please note: Stiletto style heels
 are not permitted on the baseball field. Students who are looking to wear high-heeled shoes must wear
 heels with a block or wedge-style heel only. Students are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and
 be prepared with sunscreen applied.
- At this time, we believe tickets for spectators are not required. If we receive information from the Fisher Cats personnel that limits tickets, we will contact all 8th grade families immediately.
- Specific student drop-off location (meeting spot) will be forthcoming to students.

- All students/families are responsible for transportation to/from the event.
- It is our hope to live-stream the event on GTV. As we get closer to the event, we will provide families with more information. If we are able to live-stream the ceremony, the link will be available on our website for all families to access.

PLEASE NOTE: Wednesday, June 8th will be an asynchronous learning day for all 8th grade students. Students will be encouraged to attend a Microsoft Teams meeting with their team teachers beginning at 9:00. This meeting will include reminders about the promotional ceremony, as well as a fun, virtual team activity. More information will be provided to students about this day by their team teachers.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date			
May 20	6 th Grade DARE Celebration		
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		
May 31	Field Trip: 7-2 to Camp Lincoln		
June 1	-Field Trip: 8-1 (Buses leaving promptly at 8:25 for Mt.		
	Washington Cruise)		
	-Spring Musical Performance		
June 2	-Field Trip: 8-2 (Buses leaving promptly at 8:25 for Mt.		
	Washington Cruise)		
	-Spring Musical Performance		
June 3	-Field Trip: 8-3 (Buses leaving promptly at 8:25 for Mt.		
	Washington Cruise)		
	-8 th Promotion Grade Dance		
June 6	Paws Pride Field Day		
June 7	Field Trip: 7-3 to Camp Lincoln		
June 8	8 th Grade Promotion, Time: TBD		
June 9	Step Up Day for current 5 th , 6 th , and 7 th grade students		
June 10	Field Trip: All of 6 th Grade – Canobie Lake		
	Field Trip: 7-1 to Camp Lincoln		

MVMS ADMINISTRATORS

Ms. Wendy Kohler Principal

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



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 <u>SAU website</u>.

PBIS Theme of the Month – Self-Control

Each month the MVMS community focuses on a specific aspect of character development. May's theme is self-control. Self-control means being able to resist immediate temptations and avoid acting on impulse in order to achieve more important goals, such as learning a new skill, being kind, and being responsible.



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

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

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

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

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.

Thank you to 6-1!

As a special thank, Team 8-2 hosted a pizza party for the students on 6-1 this week. Team 8-2 held a fundraiser to support Ukraine, and, as a team, 6-1 raised over \$600 of the overall generous total. Carly Gilman, Chloe Doumit, Emma Bird, and Noah Babin contacted Ray Street Pizza who graciously donated pizza for the celebration. We are so proud of the MVMS community and their support for each other.





Update from Food Service Department

Prepare for Next School Year!

- Breakfast and lunch <u>WILL NOT</u> be free for all students next year.
- Please complete a free and reduced meal price application <u>NOW</u> to avoid having a bill in the fall.
- Anyone can complete an application. Applications can be requested from your school, the food service director at megan.bizzarro@sau19.org or online at the Family Portal as a Guest https://goffstown.familyportal.cloud/
- Applying now and if approved, provides your child with a 30-day grace period for next fall and is strictly confidential.
- Other benefits include:
 - Discounted camp fees
 - College application and Admission Test Fee Waivers
 - The district can receive more state funds to offset the local tax rate

Artist in Residence

This week our 5th grade students have been participating in our Artist in Residence program. Theo Martey and the Akwaaba Ensemble have hosted a drumming performance and workshops for students to learn about drumming. We are thankful for this opportunity and to Mr. Martey and his team for sharing their talents. Below are pictures of some of their experiences:



Update from the Nurses:

Dear Parents & Guardians: COVID-19 case numbers are rising again. Despite all of us wanting it to be so, this pandemic is not over. We ask that all our students and staff remain committed to preventing the spread of COVID-19. Below are some COVID-19 guidelines for your review, when in doubt call the MVMS nurses for clarification, we are here to help.

 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/ vomiting, muscle/body aches, shortness of breath, or loss of taste/ smell. Students will still be sent home for any illness complaints and a COVID-19 test is required before they can return to school. This includes even mild or singular symptoms.

- If your **child tests positive** for COVID-19, **DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL** and contact the school nurse as soon as possible.
- If someone in your home tests positive for COVID-19, DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL and contact 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 cannot test out of quarantine. Students with household contacts who are Up to Date with COVID-19 vaccination are required to wear a mask in school, the school nurse will determine the duration of masking. 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, it is *recommended* they wear a mask in indoor public settings for 14 days after last exposure, including at school. You should monitor your student for symptoms, and seek testing if they exhibit any. Regardless of symptoms, anyone exposed to COVID-19 should consider a PCR test 5-7 days after the last exposure.
- SAU 19 is following CDC and NH DHHS guidelines in regards to COVID-19 vaccination. For any student aged 12 and over, to be considered "Up to Date" with COVID-19 vaccination, your child must be within 5 months of receiving the primary 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. If your child is not "Up to Date" they will be subject to quarantine as if they were unvaccinated. Students under age 12 must have completed the initial two dose series to be considered Fully Vaccinated/ Up to Date.

Sara Matatall & Susan Potvin 660-5623 660-5615

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

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
 - o Health Office
 - Guidance Department
 - Visual Arts
 - o Physical Education
- 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: <u>Volunteers</u> and <u>Volunteer Regulations</u>. 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.

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 <u>district employment</u> opportunities.

Art Pieces

Below are pieces of art work completed by our MVMS students with Ms. Staples.



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).

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.



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.

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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 whreless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you've ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46000, 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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Outdoor practices: Monday-Thursday 5:30-7:30pm Location:TBD

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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: 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
- TEAM OFFENSE + DEFENSE
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- TEAM COMMUNICATION
- TEAM + INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS
- LECTURES

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

NAME GRADE EMAIL PHONE HOMETOWN

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