



PAWS News

August 17, 2022

Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Office of the Principal

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year. As the new Principal at MVMS, I am most looking forward to getting to know the talented students, dedicated staff, and supportive families in this wonderful community. We have hired several new amazing staff members this summer to complement our fabulous returning staff.

Together we will strive daily to provide a safe, engaging and challenging learning environment for your student where they are engaged in a rigorous and inclusive learning experience designed to meet social, academic, physical and intellectual needs. We believe every student at MVMS has the potential to grow and excel as an independent thinker, problem solver, effective communicator, respectful individual, and responsible and engaged citizen.

We pledge to you, our students and families, that this will be a year of meaningful and engaging instruction in our classrooms, many clubs and activities, exciting school and MVP sponsored events, and amazing athletic teams and co-curricular activities certain to encourage our students to be involved and stay connected! Research supports that students who are involved in activities beyond academics are more likely to be successful in their school career.

If at any time during the school year you have a concern regarding your student, we encourage you to contact the classroom teacher. If you still need assistance, please contact your student's grade level school counselor to share your concerns.

I would encourage you to visit our school [website](#) throughout the year to stay informed regarding activities and resources that are available at Mountain View. You will also find a school calendar on our website which includes important dates. In addition, you will be receiving the PAWS News bi-monthly newsletter.

I am looking forward to beginning our journey through this school year together on the first day of school, **August 30th**. I welcome your support, comments, and suggestions as we continue to grow as a community in the best interest of our students. Have a great year!

Best Regards,

Jessica Milligan



DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
August 22	Open Facilities
August 30	First of School Day for Students!
September 2	No School
September 5	Labor Day: No School
September 8	School Picture Day
September 13	State Primary/Teacher Workshop: No School
September 15	Open House: Grade 6 & 7
September 20	Open House: Grade 5 & 8

MVMS ADMINISTRATORS

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



Open Facilities

MVMS will be open on August 22nd to allow families to take a self-guided tour. We encourage grades 5 & 6 to come 8:30-10:30 and grades 7 & 8 to come 10:30-12:00. Maps will be available at the front desk. Teachers will not be available; however, administrators will be in the building and will be able to answer any questions you might have.

School Calendar

The school calendar is posted on the [SAU website](#).

2022-2023 Bus Routes

Bus routes for this school year are posted on the SAU19 website. Again this year, students will only be able to take their designated bus home. No passes will be accepted to ride a different bus. If you have any questions, reach out to Goffstown Truck Center at (603) 497-3111. Here is a link to the [bus routes](#).

Picture Day

MVMS will have Picture Day on Thursday, September 8th. Each student will receive a picture packet in homeroom. Students who are not purchasing a picture package will still have their photo taken for the MVMS yearbook.



Arrival/Dismissal

Please take a few minutes to watch a video about our new arrival and dismissal procedures: [Arrival & Dismissal](#)

Arrival:

- Student Drop-Off begins at 8:00 AM.
- Students who need to complete academic work can access the information center at 7:45 AM. Students **must** have a pass from the office.
- There is a **new traffic pattern** this school year:
 - Buses will go behind the building (left at the bottom of the driveway).
 - Families will use the front main entrance (right at the bottom of the driveway).
- All students will be dropped off at the front entrance.
- Walkers should enter the front of the building and report to their assigned area:
 - All 5th and 6th grade students will report directly to the playground.
 - All 7th and 8th grade students will report directly to the back parking lot.
- Parents should NOT drive around the back bus loop while dropping off their student.

Dismissal:

- All students will be dismissed at 3:10 PM.
- There is a **new traffic pattern** this school year:
 - Buses will go behind the building (left at the bottom of the driveway).
 - Families will use the front main entrance (right at the bottom of the driveway).
- All students will be picked up at the front entrance.
- Walkers should exit the front of the building and head to their assigned area.
- All 5th and 6th grade students will report directly to the playground.
- All 7th and 8th grade students will report directly to the back parking lot.
- Parents should NOT drive around the back bus loop while dropping off their student.
- MVMS offers a late bus that leaves MVMS at 5:00. Students must sign up in the office by 1:00 PM on the day they want to take the late bus.

Bus Pick Up/Drop Off

- Students will be picked up and dropped off at their assigned grade level area:
 - 5th and 6th grade students will be dropped off near the playground.
 - 7th and 8th grade students will be dropped off near the back parking lot.

As a friendly reminder, please stay alert and drive slowly while picking up/dropping off your student. All students should enter/exit the vehicle from the passenger side at arrival and dismissal. Please pull your vehicle forward when waiting or before having your student enter the vehicle to maintain traffic flow.



First Day of School

On the first day, each student will receive their schedule and important announcements from their homeroom teacher. Students in 7th and 8th grade will should report to their homeroom in 8:25 from the back parking lot. 5th and 6th will report directly to homeroom from the playground. Homeroom assignments will be available in PowerSchool beginning on the week of August 22nd.

Information Center

Beginning September 14th, the MVMS information center will be open for students to access resources before and after school. The library is open before school starting at 7:45 and will remain open at the end of the school day until 4:45, Monday-Thursday. The information center will close at 3:10 on Friday. Students dropped off at 7:45 or picked up after 3:15 from the library need to enter and exit through the front lobby doors.

The Late Bus

The Late Bus will run during the 2022-2023 school year. The Late Buses will pick students up from MVMS at 5:00. One bus will be for New Boston residents, and one bus will be for Goffstown residents. Students must sign up in the front office by 1:00 to ride the late bus each day. Please see the bus information that will soon be posted on the SAU website in regard to the stops associated with the late bus.



Label Your Student's Clothing

Every year our lost and found is overflowing with beautiful clothing, coats, lunch boxes, etc. Approximately 4 to 5 times a year we donate our lost and found to charity. Please take the time to label your student's clothing, backpacks, and lunchboxes, so we are able to return these items to your student. If your student is missing something, remind them to check the lost and found, located in the Hilltop Café.

"PAWS"itively News Letter

The "Paws"itively Newsletter is one way MVMS communicates with parents/guardians. This newsletter is emailed home to parents/guardians **every other Thursday** during the school year. To ensure you receive this newsletter, please verify your email address as listed in PowerSchool.

Grade Level Supply List

Grade level supply lists are located on our website at: [School Supply List](#)

Summer Reading Sign-Up

Sign up for the 2022-2023 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, at Amy.ORiley@sau19.org with any questions.

Book List Handout

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

Summer Reading Presentation

<https://tinyurl.com/MVMS2022SummerReading>

Parent Sign Up Form

<https://forms.office.com/r/Jke4ZAs6Xp>

School Resource Officer

Congratulations to Officer Crosby, our School Resource Officer, for winning Goffstown Police Department Officer of the Year for 2021! We are so thankful for her support within our building and her connections with our students.



Update from Food Service Department

- [SAU 19 Food & Nutrition Information](#)
- Sign Up for Titan: <https://family.titank12.com/>
- Breakfast and lunch will not be free for all students this year.
- Please complete a free and reduced meal price application now: [Free & Reduced Application](#)
- Anyone can complete an application. Paper applications can be requested from your school or from the food service director at megan.bizarro@sau19.org

- Other benefits for filling out the application include: Discounted camp fees, College application and Admission Test Fee Waivers, and the district can receive more state funds to offset the local tax rate

Update from the Nurses: Attention 7th 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 students receive this vaccine between ages 10-12. Many 7th graders are still missing documentation of this vaccine. If your student received this vaccine, we ask that you send in a copy of their immunization record. If your student has not had the Tdap vaccine, please make arrangements with your student'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,
MVMS School Nurses

Sara Matatall RN sara.matatall@sau19.org

Susan Potvin RN susan.potvin@sau19.org

Beginning of the Year Forms

SAU 19 will be using electronic versions for all of the beginning of the year forms. The required forms will be provided to parents through the parent portal in PowerSchool. Parents will need to log in and complete the necessary forms for each student. Forms will begin to be available on Wednesday, August 25th.

Text Message Alerts

Opt-in to receive school delay and cancelation alerts, as well as emergency notifications. To opt-in, text the word "Yes" to the code number 67587. *Please note: Mobile numbers must be on file in our database (PowerSchool) to opt-in. To update your mobile number contact the school office.

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

Paraprofessional Job Opportunity

MVMS is seeking paraprofessionals for the 2022-2023 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](#).

Sports Information

Goffstown School District Fall Sports Registration is now open! Registration must be done by a parent or legal guardian using your existing PowerSchool access account. Note: Parents cannot create a new account online through the portal. See below for how to request an account.

To begin registration:

1. Go to **sms.sau19.org** from a web browser.
2. Enter your username and password and click **Sign In**.
3. Click on **Forms** in the left Navigation menu.
4. Complete **all four** Athletic Registration forms per student.

If you have forgotten your username and/or password, click on the "**Forgot Username or Password**" link:

Forgot Username: Click on the Forgot Username tab and enter your email address and click Enter. An automatic email will be sent to your email address as long as it finds a match in our system.

Forgot Password: Click on the Forgot Password tab and enter your username and email address and click Enter. An automatic email will be sent to you with a link to reset your password as long as it finds a match in our system. The password reset will expire in 24 hours. Check your junk mail if you don't get an email.

If you complete the above steps and still have issues or you would like to request a PowerSchool access account, please email debra.vallee@sau19.org. If your email address is already connected to an existing access account, you will be resent the directions to reset your password. The district processes new account requests within five business days.

Email Justin Hufft for any athletics questions at justin.hufft@sau19.org. Thank you,

Justin Hufft, CAA
Director of Athletics
Goffstown School District

Reporting an Absence

Parents and guardians should call (603) 497-8288, when prompted press 2 to report a student absence. Parents and guardians should be prepared to record their name, their student's name, and the name of their student's teacher(s). A note from a parents and guardians 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.

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:

Erin Sakolosky	Grade 5	Erin.Sakolosky@sau19.org
Jessica Jordan	Grade 6	Jessica.Jordan@sau19.org
Rachel Nault	Grade 7	Rachel.Nault@sau19.org
Ryanne Roy	Grade 8	Ryanne.Roy@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>.

Welcome to a new school year from the Board of
MOUNTAIN VIEW PARTNERSHIP (MVP)
your PTO at Mountain View Middle School.
Before the school year starts we have a couple of items for
you...

1. Our **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** is now online! Simply scan the QR code below or go to mvp-membership.cheddarup.com to pay your \$10 dues and enroll in our MVP School Directory. Membership is a simple way to support our students and staff, there are NO membership requirements or obligations.

2. School Supply Lists are now available! We are again offering to make your shopping easy with **SCHOOL TOOLBOX**. Scan the QR code below, or visit www.schooltoolbox.com to customize your supply box and have it shipped straight to your home.

3. Find us on Facebook at "**Mountain View Partnership**" to stay up to date with all of our events, volunteer opportunities and more!

Pay Membership Dues and join
the Student Directory



Shop supplies with
School Toolbox



Thank you so much for supporting our students and staff!

Food Service Updates

ATTENTION

FREE MEALS ARE NO LONGER AVAILABLE

Our current guidance from the USDA does not allow us to serve free meals to all students in the 2022-2023 school year. Pricing will be:

	Breakfast	Lunch
Maple/Bartlett	\$1.50	\$3.00 or \$0.40 reduced price
Mountain View	\$1.50	\$3.25 or \$0.40 reduced price
Goffstown High School	\$1.75	\$3.50 or \$0.40 reduced price

THE IMPORTANCE OF FREE AND REDUCED MEAL FORMS

We encourage families to complete the free and reduced meal application. Families who fill out these forms can be eligible for additional benefits including reduced college testing & application fees as well as helping to provide essential funding for our school. Applications can be found at the Family Portal <https://family.titank12.com/NT69TS> or at www.Goffstown.k12.nh.us or call the school for a paper application.

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO FEED YOUR CHILDREN

We will continue to serve convenient, high quality, nutritious meals that students enjoy. We greatly appreciate your support.

Megan Bizzarro, Food Service Director,
megan.bizzarro@sau19.org



This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



SAFE STOP™

Giving you peace of mind

Lighten your daily load.

Parents have enough to worry about. SafeStop puts key information at your fingertips so you won't lose time or energy wondering "where's the bus?".

Set up SafeStop:

1. Download the SafeStop app from the App Store or Google Play.
2. Enter the school access code provided below.
3. Enter your child's unique Student ID.
4. Select the (bus or route name based on school communications preference) you wish to track.
5. Create alert zones around drop-off and pick-up points.

You're all set! You will be able to track the bus's movement during active route times and receive notifications when the bus enters your custom alert zone(s).

Trust that your information is secure.

Security is priority one, especially where student information is concerned. All parent information is password protected within the app to prevent unauthorized people from accessing any student bus information.

Key Features:

- View a real-time, map-based bus locator
- Guarantee parent and student information privacy
- Create custom zones for each stop and school
- Receive email alerts and push notifications
- Available on smartphones and tablets

Your School Access Code:

403007



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