



April 1, 2021

Respect ~ Responsibility ~ Pride

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Beginning next week, we are excited to welcome our 5th and 6th grade students into the building for in-person instruction, five days per week. As a friendly reminder, we anticipate heavy traffic at arrival and dismissal. Please continue to be mindful of your speed as you navigate the back loop of the building and be cognizant of merging traffic. We appreciate your patience!

Though our dismissal procedures will remain the same, it is critical for families to adhere to the timestamp we have established for pick-up, by last name. This is especially true if your student is picked-up between 2:50-3:00. Please be sure you do not arrive prior to 2:50 at MVMS. In having a pick-up “wave” system established, we will be able to keep traffic flowing smoothly, however, if even a few families come to MVMS too early, this can have a serious impact on our ability to have students picked-up without traffic concerns. A detailed explanation of the arrival/dismissal procedure is below. Please note: We anticipate an even greater amount of traffic when we welcome our 7th and 8th graders to in-person instruction, five days per week, beginning on April 19th.

The Statewide Assessment System (SAS) will begin next week! Our students will be able to apply and showcase their skills in the areas of reading, writing, math and in grades five and eight, science. Thank you for reminding your student to get a good night’s sleep, to eat a healthy breakfast and be confident in their ability to show-off what they know. Additionally, we will be providing students the option to have a school-supplied snack during each testing day to help ensure that our students have the fuel they need to work through these assessments and to perform at their best.

As always, I appreciate and am thankful for your continued support.

Sincerely,

*Wendy Kohler
Principal*

Important Dates

April 5th (Mon.)	All 5th and 6th grade students return for 5 days per week, if student is accessing an in-person learning environment
April 19th (Mon.)	All 7th and 8th grade students return for 5 days per week, if student is accessing an in-person learning environment
April 26-30	NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

June 10th (Thursday)	Grade 8 Promotion Ceremony at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium in Manchester, NH (home of the Fisher Cats). Time: TBD (Rain Date: Tuesday, June 22nd)
June 16th (Wednesday)	Last Day of School for all students

We are HIRING!

As SAU 19 evaluates a phase change to bring more students into the buildings, our need for support and coverage in the buildings continues to be critically important. If your schedule allows, please consider applying to be a teacher and/or paraprofessional substitute. Training is provided. Any substitutes who commit to regularly substitute on a weekly basis will be paid \$100 per day for those days through the end of this school year. You can commit to as little as one day per week or as many as 5 days per week. To apply, please visit <http://goffstown.k12.nh.us/SAU19> and click on “Resources” then “Employment”.

For additional information please contact Kate Magrath, Human Resources Director at kate.magrath@sau19.org or 603-497-4818. We appreciate your support!

Arrival and Dismissal

Morning Arrival – Parent/Guardian drop-offs will occur from 8:00-8:20. Please follow the updated traffic pattern (utilizing the back bus loop around the building). Bus Drop-offs will occur from approximately 8:20-8:30 AM, and will utilize the same entrances. If your son/daughter walks to school, or if you are dropping your child off **after 8:20, please use the front entrance only**. The back bus loop is only available until 8:20 to allow for busses to arrive safely and efficiently to continue their routes.

- All 5th and 6th grade students will report directly to homeroom while all 7th and 8th grade students will now, beginning April 5th, report directly to the gym.

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 2:40-3:00 PM.

- Students who have the last name beginning with A-D and L-P will be dismissed at 2:40. Parents are asked to arrive between 2:40-2:50 PM to keep traffic flow.
- Students with the last name letters E-K and Q-Z will be dismissed at 2:50. Parents are asked to arrive at MVMS between 2:50-3:00 PM. Cars may not enter the back of the building after 3:05 PM. The pick-up time listed above will stay the same when students move to five days per week of instruction next month.
- Please do not arrive any 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 child 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 child up between 3:10-3:25, in the front of the building, if the timestamp above does 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. Thank you for reminding your student to exit the vehicle with their cloth mask covering on, when arriving at MVMS in the morning.

Spring 2021 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 and Assistant Superintendent ([Click Here](#)) regarding SAS assessment information and federal and state requirements. Please continue to check your child's teacher's 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 may impact your performance.
- Wear comfortable clothing.
- Bring an independent reading book in case you finish early.



In-Person Testing Schedule:

<u>Grade 5</u>		<u>Grade 6</u>		<u>Grade 7</u>		<u>Grade 8</u>	
Reading	4/12	Reading	4/7	Reading	5/10	Reading	4/21
Writing	4/13	Writing	4/8	Writing	5/11	Writing	4/22
Math	4/15	Math	4/14	Math	5/12	Math	5/4
Science	4/20					Science	5/5

Remote Student Testing Schedule

Please review Principal Kohler's letter sent to parents/guardians of remote students for more information.

<u>Grade 5</u>		<u>Grade 6</u>		<u>Grade 7</u>		<u>Grade 8</u>	
Reading	5/13	Reading	5/6	Reading	5/19	Reading	5/17
Writing	5/13	Writing	5/6	Writing	5/19	Writing	5/17
Math	5/14	Math	5/7	Math	5/20	Math	5/18
Science	5/14					Science	5/18

Full Remote Students in Grade 7 and Grade 8

Please make sure your student checks their email/Google Classroom for the links to our 'live' instruction for social studies, language arts, grade level math and science each week. An update and information in regard to remote only instruction for our 7th and 8th grade students will be sent to all families during the week of April 5th. Stay tuned!

Attendance Phone Calls

Please remember to call the MVMS absence line (497-8288 and when prompted press 2) if your child will not be attending their scheduled in-person day prior to 8:15.

Students who are accessing their learning in a fully remote learning environment, who will not be attending, should also be called into the absence line as well.

School Picture Pick-Up

As a friendly reminder, all parents of students who are accessing a remote only environment – we still have a fair amount of school pictures that were ordered and are waiting to be picked up in the front office. Please stop by MVMS anytime between 8:30-4:00 to pick them up!

PBIS Theme of the Month – Responsibility

March's PBIS Theme of the Month is Responsibility. Staff and students are focused on what being responsible looks like here at MVMS and how one should go about being responsible in their everyday lives. Be sure to chat with your student about what he/she is learning about Responsibility.

Yearbook

Purchase your 2021 Yearbook TODAY!

Click/copy & paste the link below to place your order for your 2020-2021 Mountain View Middle School Yearbook TODAY!

https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/catalog/1010121/Mountain-View-Middle-School/YEARBOOK_CATALOG/Yearbooks/

Guidance Department Corner

Middle Years

Please click/copy paste the link below to view this month's edition of Middle Years. If you're unfamiliar with the Middle Years publication, the purpose is to provide busy parents with practical ideas that promote school success, parent involvement, and more effective parenting.

http://www.rfecustomer.com/ViewPDF.cfm?RequestType=WebSite&CustNum=477194&PdfFilename=MY0421_E.pdf&HtmlPdfPath=http://rfecustomer.com/Pubs/202104/477194_MY0421_E.pdf

Guidance Counselors

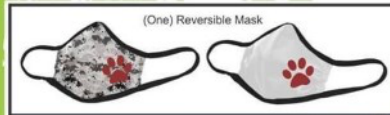
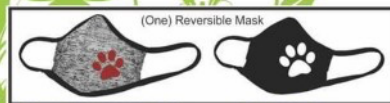
If you need to consult with a counselor for advice/information for your student, please contact one of the following:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Ryanne Roy	5 & 6	(603) 660-5616
Melanie Cali	7	(603) 660-5607
Erin Sakolosky	8	(603) 660-5606

MVMS Spring Spiritwear

MVMS SPIRITWEAR

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Deadline to Order is
Sunday, April 4 at Midnight
Orders can be Picked Up at
Brown Graphix
27 Main Street



From the Goffstown Library

Community Conversations: Can We Talk About the Environment?

March 22, 2021 -Join the Goffstown Public Library as we separate fact from fiction and foster a dialog to improve our town and planet for the future. The Library's Community Conversations initiative is back with a full schedule of events for April and May 2021, exploring the impact of our changing environment on the Goffstown community. Topics will include trash and recycling, stormwater, weather, global climate change, birds, bees, and much more!

A full schedule of events can be found at www.goffstownlibrary.com/communityconversationand include opportunities for engagement for all ages, along with book lists, resources for further learning, and links to informational websites. Experts in their fields have been invited to present at virtualevents including the New Hampshire State Climatologist Mary Stampone, Ph. D., State Representative Peter Somssich, Ph. D., Adam Jacobs, Director of Goffstown Department of Public Works, Dr. Pamela Hunt, Avian Conservation Biologist of the NH Audubon, pollinator expert and beekeeping educator Jodi Turner, and others.

“New Hampshire's wilderness is one of its defining characteristics, a source of pride and distinction for the state. We at the Goffstown Public Library are devoted to providing our community with information about how the impact of climate change on our environment could change this place we live in and what we love about it.” –Elizabeth Weilbacher, Adult Services Librarian

The Goffstown Public Library Community Conversations series is designed to help us understand issues affecting our community and provide a starting point to open up conversations. Community Conversations bring together resources, experts, and concerned community members to discuss complicated issues in a gracious, safe space. For more information about the events scheduled at the Goffstown Library, please visit www.goffstownlibrary.com/communityconversationor call Dianne Hathaway at 603-497-2102. All online events are free and open to the public.

Message from Health Office

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Allergy season is fast approaching. The pandemic presents additional challenges during allergy season as we are not able to distinguish between COVID-19 symptoms and allergy symptoms. 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. Also, if your child has a history of seasonal allergies, we must have written documentation from their PCP stating they have a diagnosis of seasonal allergies. If your child presents to the MVMS Health Office with allergy symptoms that could also be a symptom of COVID-19, and we do not have a documented diagnosis of seasonal allergies, we will have to assume it could be COVID-19 and your child may be subject to dismissal from school and be required to have a COVID-19 test. Thank you for your understanding and continued cooperation.

Sara Matatall RN
Sara.matatall@sau19.org
660-5623

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Food Service Information

~ This year **all** school meals are FREE to ALL students! ~

We ask that parents/guardians pre-order meals, following the instructions below, to help us with the delivery to the classrooms.

Ordering Meals

You need to either download the NutriSlice App from your app store or go through the food service webpage for the menus.

1. Select MVMS.
2. Select the appropriate menu.
3. Pick your child's meal on the day he/she will be attending school.
4. Choose from the optional items then click Add to Order.
5. You may pick another day your child is attending school or you may check out for that student.
6. Click on the lunch bag on the top left of the screen.
7. View your cart and confirm it is correct, then click Checkout or Create an Account. You will need to create a Parent account and then add students with their lunch number in order to Checkout.
8. Choose who the order is for.
9. Select Pickup: Choose grade level; enter your child's homeroom in the box on the right above the submit button.
10. Click submit.
11. If you have additional children to order for you will need to click on Start Another Order.

A student ID number is necessary, for bookkeeping purposes. You will **not** be charged.

If you need further help either contact the MVMS kitchen or food service by emailing Megan Bizzarro, megan.bizzarro@sau19.org.

Goffstown Parks and Recreation Programs

Parks and Rec ESports

Registration for the ESports Spring Season is open! GPR is excited to be joining GGLeagues for another 6-week season. We are offering the following games from last season: **Rocket League**, **Super Smash Bros**, and **Madden21**. We have also added **Fortnite** to the list of games!

Gamers will play in the NH Recreation ESports League, beginning April 12. At the end of the season, players will participate in a single elimination tournament to be crowned the Champion!

You must have the specific game/console to play in these leagues. To find out what consoles are needed please visit the link below!

For more information please visit: <https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/new-esports>

To register please visit:

https://app.ggleagues.com/organization/goffstown?fbclid=IwAR0XUiXuWBhrEI0atIFZn9kk9zvzu193h0rXj2mIIK5k52Iqs_pD7OOHW7M

Parks and Rec Summer Playground

The Summer Playground Program is a fun-filled, 8-week program held at Barnard and Roy Park. This program offers arts and crafts, card and board games, outdoor games, sports, and various other activities. Campers will have daily access to the swimming pools and playgrounds available at both parks.

Additionally, every Friday both sites will come together at Barnard Park for a special event. Weekly special events can include tie-dye day, summer survivor challenge, pickleball tournaments, dodgeball tournaments, candy bar Olympics, and more!

This program takes place Monday through Friday from 8:30am-4pm. Participants may register for as many weeks as they desire and at whichever location they prefer, given that spots are available.

Registration will begin March 1st

For more information please visit: <https://www.goffstown.com/dept/pr/parks-and-recreation-programs/parks-and-recreation-summer-playground>

To register please visit: <https://goftstown.recdesk.com/Community/Program>