



PAWS News

December 16, 2021

Respect, Responsibility, & Pride

Office of the Principal

Dear MVMS Community:

On December 6, 2021, the Goffstown School Board approved a plan for distance learning days to be utilized during the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. A “Distance Learning Day” will take place when in-person school is not feasible due to an emergency closing, which may include heavy snow fall or icy road conditions. The Superintendent will make the determination on whether the emergency closing is a Distance Learning Day or a traditional closure. He will communicate this messaging with families via our School Messenger Alert System. Today, students watched a video, created by MVMS Administration, which explained the expectations for all students if a distance learning day is called. It is important to note; each school within SAU 19 has a different and specific plan for distance learning based on what is considered developmentally appropriate for the school’s population of students. The MVMS plan can be found on our school [website](#). The video created about distance learning, utilizing student friendly language, can also be accessed on the school website.

As part of our winter celebrations, Team 8-1 has raised nearly \$1,000 for their “Adopt-A-Family” fundraiser. We are grateful for the contributions of our community and all of the students and staff who have dedicated time to this worth cause.

Please note on Thursday, December 23, 2021, all Goffstown Schools have an early release. For MVMS, this means parent pick up will begin for students with last names beginning A-K at 12:45. Parent pick for students with last names beginning L-Z will be dismissed at 12:55. Those students who are taking bus transportation will be dismissed at 1:10. Please call the main office with any questions. I hope everyone enjoys a refreshing and relaxing winter break!

Sincerely,
Wendy Kohler
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
December 16 & 17	Drama Production: Seusspeare: Romeo and Juliet's Restaurant Wars
December 23	Early Release: Winter Break
January 3	1 st Day back after Winter Break

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

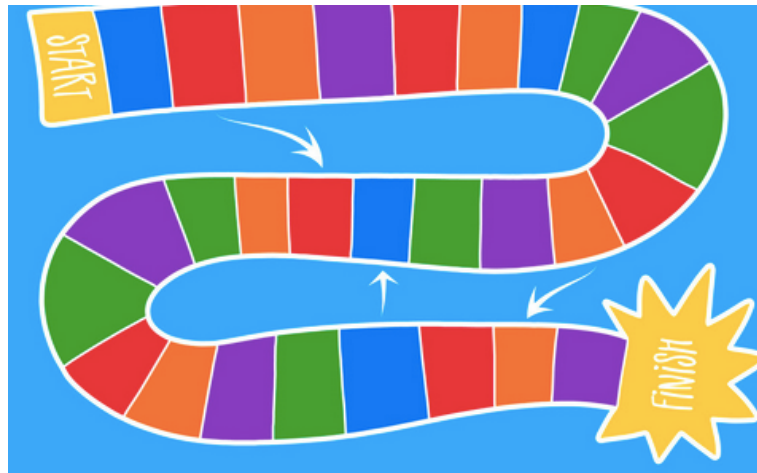


Stream the MVMS Theatre Production

This week, stream the MVMS Theatre production of Seusspeare: Romeo and Juliet's Restaurant Wars on Thursday and Friday, December 16th and 17th at 5:30pm. Fill out the Google Form to receive the link the day of the performance. Each stream costs \$5. Enjoy the show! <https://forms.gle/59h4qy53CzsZRUxt8>

Board Game Club

We are excited to offer a board game club after school for 7th and 8th grade students! The club will meet on Mondays from 3:20- 4:20 beginning on January 10th and ending February 21st. Permission forms are located in the main office. Space is limited to 10 students, so return your forms to the main office as soon as possible!



Kindness Club

Mountain View Middle School is excited to offer an enrichment activity in the coming weeks with the intent to highlight school positivity and kindness. Kindness Club will occur after school on Thursdays from 3:20-4:20 PM. This is a great opportunity for students to actively participate in a schoolwide initiative that leverages student voice to enact a positive school culture. The days of these sessions are January 6, January 13, January 20, January 27 and February 3. Students should plan to meet at Mrs. Nault's office in the library promptly at 3:20pm. Permission forms are located in the front office.

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](#).

Purchase your 2022 Yearbook TODAY!

Click the link below to order the 2021-2022 MVMS yearbook TODAY!

[ORDER YOUR 2021 MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK](#) (CLICK THE LINK)

PBIS Theme of the Month - Honesty

Each month the MVMS community focuses on a specific aspect of character development. December's theme is honesty. Honesty is defined as being truthful and sincere. Honest people are trustworthy, dependable, and respected by others. Being honest is the right thing to do. Be sure to chat with your student about what he/she is learning about honesty.

Chess Club: Session 2

Chess Club: Session 2 will begin following winter break. Students must sign up with a permission slip to join. Chess Club: Session 2 will focus on continued instruction and skills for the game. Once again, Mountain View's very own Mr. Howard McDowell, will be the instructor for this course. There will be two groups, so that we can drill down and deeper dive into the learnings from Session 1. We hope to leverage the elements of Session 1 to increase the student-centered bursts of learning. There will be two separate groups during Session 2

- Grade 5/6: Tuesdays from 3:20 - 4:20, on the following dates: January 4, 11, 18, and 25
- Grade 7/8: Thursdays from 3:20 - 4:20, on the following dates: January 6, 13, 20, and 27

Permission forms are located in the front office if you are interested. Chess clubs will be capped at 15 participants. All completed permission forms should be returned to the front office.

8th Grade Baby Photos: Extension

We only have room for **2 more** "8th Grade Baby Ad" photo submissions in the 2021-2022 MVMS yearbook. If you missed the last deadline, we are **extending the SUBMISSION DEADLINE to December 23, 2021**. You will need to submit a baby picture with your child's first and last name on the back, a message addressed to your 8th grader, and the \$14 check or cash. Please include a self-stamped envelope if you would like the picture returned to you. Fill out the attached Baby Ad form to make your photo submission. Don't miss your last chance!

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](#).

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.

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).

School Spirit Days

MVMS has been celebrating with “12 Days before Winter Break.” Below are a few pictures of some participated. We are so thankful for all the cheer and spirit our students and staff have shown as we head towards break.



Update from the Nurses:

Dear Parents and Guardians:

As we continue to see COVID-19 cases increase in our community and across the state we would like to remind you of the following:

- Please **DO NOT send your child to school if they are exhibiting any new or unexplained symptoms**, they will be sent home for any illness complaints, and you will be required to get them a COVID-19 test or have them stay at home for 10 days. This includes even mild or singular symptoms.
- If your child is exhibiting any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 such as headache, runny nose, cough, fever, sore throat, fatigue, diarrhea, nausea or vomiting, muscle or body aches, shortness of breath, and loss of taste or smell, keep them home, call their healthcare provider, and seek COVID-19 testing.
- Proof of a negative COVID-19 test may be required for return to school.
- If your child tests positive for COVID-19 please contact the school as soon as possible.

- If someone in your home tests positive for COVID-19, DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL and call your student's school nurse. Quarantine is required for unvaccinated students with a household contact, vaccinated students must be masked in school.
- If your child has had contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 outside of the home, regardless of vaccination status, they must be masked in indoor public settings for 14 days after last exposure. You should monitor for symptoms, get your child tested if they exhibit symptoms and consider a PCR test 5-7 days after the last exposure.
- If your family has traveled recently please review the CDC and NH DHHS travel guidelines, and contact your school nurse for further guidance.
- Below are some resources that may be helpful for you and your family.

We understand that these guidelines may seem difficult to adhere to, however, if we do not, as a community, commit to above the recommended COVID-19 guidelines, we jeopardize the health and safety of our students, our families, and facilitate the spread of COVID-19. The MVMS nurses are here as a resource for you and your family, please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Sara Matatall &
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Quarantine Guide for Unvaccinated People Exposed to COVID-19 in their Household

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-quarantine-covid.pdf>

Self-Observation Guide for People Exposed to COVID-19 Who Are Not Required to Quarantine

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-observation-covid.pdf>

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SCHOOL & CHILD CARE TOOLKIT 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR- revised 10/25/2021

<https://www.covid19.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt481/files/inline-documents/sonh/school-childcare-toolkit-2021-2022.pdf>

Ski Club

Ski Club will begin on January 7, 2022! Students can sign up to head to Pats Peak for lessons and/or ski time. Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information.

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.

Masks

On August 16th, the Goffstown School Board determined we will start the school year with masking being optional. Masks will not be required indoors or for outdoor classroom activities, with the exception of performing arts classes and while cooking in FACS. A targeted mask model was presented to the Goffstown School Board (See the reopening plan on the SAU19 website for details). Targeted masking decisions may be made for unique school specific case data and may be made by based on a number of cohorts or configurations such as: busses, classrooms, grade levels, school(s), etc. As, we head into the school year, masking should be viewed based on a continuum from optional to targeted to universal and may be differentiated by (and possibly within) each school. Masks will not be implemented in a binary model where masks are 'required or they are not'. Rather a specific, targeted-model, based on case data (local cases, school transmission, etc.) and NHDHHS recommendations (if applicable) will be implemented. Targeted masking will allow the SAU to respond to specific case data. The Superintendent is authorized to change or alter mask expectations and will report to the School Board.

Featured Art

Please see below for winter art created by our 6th graders!



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!

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.

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.

Covid Emergency Operation Plan

On August 16th, the Goffstown School Board approved a plan for our upcoming school year. The approved plan can be found by clicking here: [2021/2022 SAU19 Covid Emergency Operations Plan](#)

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. 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 Bizzarro, megan.bizzarro@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>.

Twelve Days Before Winter Break

It's already December, and Merry let's make.
As we count down the days until Winter Break!

Join in the fun; and come along for the ride
As we show our school spirit and all our Paws Pride.

12 Dec. 8 Lights, Garland, & Tinsel Day	11 Dec. 9 Twin Day	10 Dec. 10 Flannel Friday	9 Dec. 13 Crazy Hair Day
8 Dec. 14 MVMS/ Maroon & White Gear	7 Dec. 15 Favorite Team Gear/Jersey	6 Dec. 16 Color Wars: 5th: Red 6th: Blue 7th: Green 8th: Pink	5 Dec. 17 Vacation/Hawaiian Day
4 Dec. 20 College & Career Day	3 Dec. 21 Holiday hat/ Headband/Scarf day	2 Dec. 22 Decades Day	1 Dec. 23 GOOSE (Get Out Of School Early)

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2022 LEARN TO SKI & RIDE PROGRAM

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Most up-to-date information at:
patspeak.com/healthandsafety*

PLUS: NH SKI & RIDE BONUS

FREE Full Day/All Lift ticket to THREE NH Mountains. Valid starting Monday, February 28, 2022 through the end of each mountain's respective ski season. Valid for students only.



WATERBURY VALLEY RESORT



LEARNING AND FUN, IT'S WHAT WE DO BEST!

WHAT IS THIS PROGRAM?

- Weekday 5-Week Learn to Ski & Ride Series
- Participants receive a 1-hour lesson (if signed up for lessons) from a Pats Peak instructor and free ski/ride time.
- Program Dates: **Fridays starting January 7th until Friday February 4th.**

HOW TO REGISTER?

- It is open to **Students grades 5-8**
- Register online at www.patspeak.com/LTSR
Access Code: Mountainview52022 Mountainview72022
Mountainview62022 Mountainview82022
- Registration Ends: **NO CUT OFF DATE**
- Additional Registration info:
If students want a season pass- it'll be under practice makes perfect, which students will be able to get when the season opens.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Paola Gomes
Mespourquoi@aol.com
674-9418- please text me with any questions so I can get back to you right away.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION:

Bus transportation will not be available this year as the bus company cannot provide any due to lack of staff. Parents will have to provide transportation or can carpool up to the mountain. You can join the Facebook group- Goffstown ski club to connect with other parents, if needed.

WHAT ABOUT EQUIPMENT?

- **RENTALS:** Full Rental Packages are available for the program, or for the season.
- **BRING YOUR OWN:** Mark equipment with **NAME AND SCHOOL.** Unsafe equipment will not be allowed on the mountain.

PEAK PERKS: (DISCOUNTED PRICING)

- **CAFÉ CARDS**
- **PARENT/SIBLING FREQUENT USER CARD AND LIFT TICKETS**
- **HELMET, GOGGLES AND WATERPROOF MITTENS**
- **PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT SEASON PASS**
Unlimited Season Pass that is valid for the whole season-you don't have to wait until the program begins to use it! This discounted season pass is only available to the students of the Learn to Ski & Ride Program (must have minimum purchase of lessons. Non-transferable).

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Lessons will take place from 5:30pm-6:30pm. Free skiing can be done after until closing.

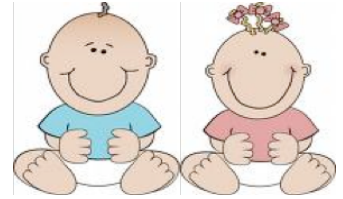


If this program doesn't work for your schedule,
contact Pats Peak about their **OPEN PROGRAM: For Individual Sign-Ups (Ages 6-17).**

Eighth Grade Parent(s),

Looking for a creative way to tell your child, "I love you, and I'm proud of you"?

Place a recognition ad in the yearbook.



A recognition ad is always a great idea. In the future, seeing your message will bring a smile as students remember your love and support during these important years. It's easy to create a recognition ad. Just send us your favorite baby photo and compose your message. **You must have your son/daughter's name on the back of the picture. Please supply a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like the photo returned in June 2022.**

We will try to keep the ad a secret until the yearbook is distributed. If your son or daughter is on the yearbook staff this may not be possible.

Reserve a space for your recognition ad today. Like the yearbook, your message will be a permanent memory.

Thank you!

Sincerely,
The Yearbook Staff

RECOGNITION AD ORDER FORM--- MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY!

Student name _____ Team _____

Parent name _____ Phone _____

Cost \$14.00 (Checks made out to MVMS – Yearbook)

Message: Limit 35 words or less!

Signature _____ Check # _____

MUST BE RETURNED TO MS. SINCLAIR, ROOM 212 BY NOVEMBER 19, 2021.



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WINTER CLINICS

SUNDAYS @ Goffstown High School Gymnasium

Beginning January 2nd through March 6th

Make-up days 3/13 & 3/20

\$15 per session: or SAVE \$50 by signing up in advance for all 10 sessions @ \$100 and receive a FREE personalized T-shirt!

Register and pre-pay at www.leaguelineup.com/goffstownbaberuth/

Or pay at the door the day of the clinic

8:30 - 9:45 Girls 10 & Under

9:45 - 10 :30 Pitching & Catching (any age)

10:30 - 11:45 Girls 11 & Older



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