

# 🐾 MVMS 🐾 PAWS NEWS

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## WELCOME

Welcome to the 2023-2024 School year at Mountain View Middle School. We are excited to begin mission of advancing student learning by focusing on our Paws Pride.

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## PAWS NEWS

Our school newsletter, MVMS Paws News, will provide essential communication between the school and families. Our newsletter provides families an opportunity to learn more about the events, activities, and achievements taking place at MVMS.



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## MVMS ADMIN

Principal: [Ms. Jessica Milliigan](#)  
Assistant Principal: [Ms. Brandy Williams](#)  
Dean of Students: TBD  
Special Education Facilitator: [Ms. Lindsay Phillips](#)  
Curriculum Coordinator: [Mr. Joshua Lewis](#)

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## SCHOOL DAY TIMES

Drop Off Begins: 8:00  
School Day begins: 8:25  
School Day ends: 3:10

## MVMS SCHOOL COUNSELORS

5th Grade: [Ms. Ryanne Roy](#)

6th Grade: [Ms. Erin Sakolosky](#)

7th Grade: [Ms. Jessica Jordan](#)

8th Grade: [Ms. Rachel Nault](#)



On the first day of school each student will receive their schedule and important updates from their homeroom teacher. All students should report to their assigned homeroom at the beginning of the first day.

Homeroom assignments will be available in PowerSchool beginning on Monday, August 21st.



## BEGINNING OF YEAR FORMS

SAU 19 uses electronic versions for all of the beginning of the year forms. The required forms will be provided to parents through the parent portal, PowerSchool. Parents will need to log in and complete the necessary forms for each student.

Forms will be available on Monday, August 21st.

# Office of the **PRINCIPAL**

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2023-24 school year. It seems like just yesterday that I was introducing myself as the new principal at MVMS. Last school year passed so quickly. The speed at which the time comes and goes is a reminder of the importance of making each day count. I hope you had a restful summer filled with great moments and fabulous adventures. We have been busy at MVMS getting ready for the start of the school year. We have hired several wonderful new staff members this summer to complement our talented returning staff.

Mountain View Middle School is such a special place to learn and grow. We are proud of our amazing school and have high expectations for each student. Our students are kind, compassionate, and eager to learn. Together with our dedicated staff, we strive to make connections with students to help them feel valued, accepted, and safe. 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. Our overarching goal is to encourage active student engagement to foster a lifetime love for learning.

We strive to engage students through instruction in our classrooms, many clubs and activities, exciting school and MVP sponsored events, and athletic teams and co-curricular activities. We encourage our students to be involved and stay connected! Research supports the idea that students who are involved in activities beyond academics are more likely to be successful in their school career.

If during the school year you are concerned about 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. Additionally, please be sure to visit our school website throughout the year to stay informed about activities and resources available at Mountain View. You will also find a school calendar on our website which includes important dates. The Paws News and regular email updates will be great sources of information.

I welcome your support, comments, and suggestions as we continue to grow as a community in the best interest of our students. Have a momentous year!

Best Regards,  
Jessica Milligan





## ➤➤➤ SCHOOL NURSE

Please complete the beginning of year school forms, including updating any medical information. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the MVMS School Nurses, [Sara Matatall](#) and [Susan Potvin](#).

## ➤➤➤ REPORTING AN ABSENSE

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

## ➤➤➤ NEW BUS TURN-AROUND

This summer, MVMS constructed a new bus turn-around, to help with traffic flow and safety. More information will be coming out soon!



## ➤➤➤ TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS

Opt-in to receive school delay and cancelation alerts, as well as emergency notifications. To opt-in, text the word "Yes" the 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 MVMS Main office.

## ➤➤➤ BUS ROUTES

We anticipate that bus routes for this school year will be available on the [SAU19 website](#) during the week of August 28th. If you have any questions, please reach out to Goffstown Truck Center at (603) 497-3111.

## FALL SPORTS SIGN UP

[Sign Up Here](#) through PowerSchool

## ➤➤➤ FOOD SERVICE UPDATE

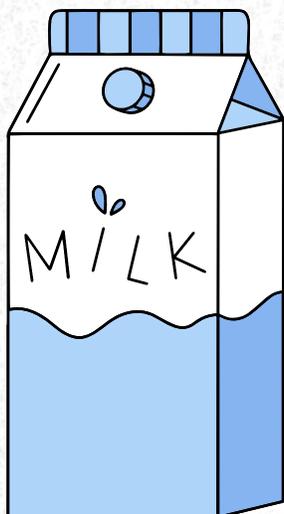
Welcome back to the Hilltop Café! We hope you had a wonderful summer full of fun, family and friends! The monthly menu is posted on the school and food service website. It can also be found at [www.lingconnect.com](http://www.lingconnect.com). All of our meals feature fresh fruits and vegetables, low fat milk, lean protein sources and whole grain bread offerings. Your child has a debit account automatically set up which tracks all payments and purchases. We offer breakfast, lunch and milk for purchase every school day. Breakfast is not served on delayed openings. Students may purchase additional snack items to go with their meal provided they have money on their account to spend. Your child uses the same lunch number as last year (even if your are coming from Maple Avenue, Bartlett or New Boston). If you don't know the number, please let the cafeteria know and we will gladly provide that. If your child does not know their number we will look them up alphabetically at the cash register. Cash or checks (made out to Goffstown Food Service) can be sent to the school for payment. Online payments can be made at [www.lingconnect.com](http://www.lingconnect.com).

You can apply for the free and reduced meal price program at any time during the year. Applications are available online at [www.lingconnect.com](http://www.lingconnect.com) or the food service website or by contacting the school cafeteria. If your child had this benefit last year, you will have 30 school days to reapply to determine if you will continue to receive this benefit.

If you have any questions/concerns/suggestions, please call the school cafeteria or Food Service Office at 603-660-5311.

We hope you to see you at Hilltop Cafe!

- Hilltop Cafe Culinary Team





### Strings Information Night

String Rental Night: Students interested in renting a strings instrument can do so on September 13, 2023 at MVMS in the Hilltop Cafeteria from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

For more information, please reach out to [Chris Mancuso](#).

### Back to School Supplies

The MVMS supply lists are available on the school website or by clicking [here](#). Please note there is a list for each team in 5th and 6th grade and then a list for all of 7th grade and all of 8th grade.

### Thank you!

Thank you to all of those who worked diligently this summer to ensure our school year starts off strong. The custodians, IT department, and administrative assistants have tirelessly worked behind the scenes getting our hallways and supplies ready to welcome students.

Thank you for all your hard work!



Join Mountain View Partnership (MVP), our family partnership, by clicking this link for membership: [MVP Membership](#)

Join the [Mountain View Partnership \(MVP\) Facebook Group](#)

Mountain View Partnership (your PT0) is again offering an easy way to shop for school supplies and support MVMS at the same time. Thank you for supporting MVP!

### MVP Corner



# SUMMER READING

We have refreshed summer reading for the Summer of 2023! There are two adventures that students may choose to participate in. The first adventure is a calendar of activities to choose from and the second adventure is the kickoff to a yearlong reading challenge for the NH Book Award Nominations. [Click here](#) to learn more about the 2023 Summer Reading Initiative. There are also links on the [MVMS Website](#) to make a copy of the choice board calendar and join the reading programs. We hope you will choose to participate in the 2023 MVMS Summer Reading Initiative.

Please reach out to our school librarian, [Amy O'Riley](#) or 7th/8th grade Literacy Teacher, [Sarah-jane Nadeau](#) with any questions.



Date	Event
August 23	<b>Open Facilities:</b> <b>Grades 5&amp;6 8:30-10:30</b> <b>Grade 7&amp;8 10:30-12:30</b>
September 5	First Day of School
September 11	Picture Day
September 13	Strings Rental Night



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# Paws Pride Theme

Respect - Community - Responsibility - Pride

## August

This month student's will learn about respect. The definition of respect is caring enough to consider how words and actions impact others.

- Having respect is when you feel good about someone because of how they act.
- Showing respect is when you care how your actions impact others.

Please talk to your student about respect and their conversations at school.



Ms. McNichols is a Grade 5 Math teacher, starting her second year at MVMS. She loves to cook and spending time with her dog, Ellie. In middle school, Ms. McNichols loved playing the saxophone in concert band and jazz band.

## Teacher SpotLight



## Meet Our New Administrator: Lindsay Phillips

Lindsay is joining us in the Special Education Facilitator position. She has a passion for middle school education and students. She enjoys watching the Boston Bruins and camping with her family. When in middle school, Ms. Phillips was in the play *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, in the role of Mike's TV Mom



# Order online **today!**

## Dear parents,

We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box.

Want to avoid the back-to-school rush?

- Put your zip code in the box at **SchoolToolBox.com**
- Find the school, then choose your child's new grade

Each supply box matches your teacher's approved list. You can add extras or remove what you don't need. After you pay online, supplies are **shipped directly to your home address.**

**It doesn't get easier than that!**



**SCHOOL TOOL BOX**  
**schooltoolbox.com**  
800-952-1119

Your order supports



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## School Name:

**Mountain View Middle School**  
Goffstown, NH

## Ordering Available:

Beginning July 12th

**Allow 10 days for processing.**



Notes



Scan here to view your school's boxes and place your order today!





***Have you heard about  
the Goffstown Network's  
Weekend Food Bags for Kids?***

The **Goffstown Network** operates a food pantry to serve families who struggle to keep up with the ever-increasing financial demands to put food on the table. The Weekend Food Bag Program serves children within SAU #19.

Volunteers meet weekly to pack and deliver to schools a variety of child-friendly foods to augment weekend meals.

Kiddos who participate receive these bags at school before each Friday's dismissal.

If you wish for your child(ren) to participate in this program, just fill out the form below and return it to your school office by **Friday, September 8th**. The first bag delivery will be on Friday, September 15th.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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