



PAWS News

Back to School Edition 2021

Respect, Responsibility & Pride

Office of the Principal

August 19, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year. We are glad that you are joining us, as we start an exciting year of teaching and learning at Mountain View Middle School. It is a true privilege to be a part of a community where parents, teachers, and students care for each other and strive to build positive relationships that support academic success and social growth. I am excited to get to know our students and form positive and supportive relationships with them. We have an amazing staff that is guided on the principle of doing what is best for students, while advancing student learning. We consider ourselves a family, and we are excited to welcome you and your student.

After a year of functioning in consistent change, we are excited to start this year with five full days of in-person instruction for all students in the building. Due to the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will continue to implement mitigation measures as outlined in the updated SAU 19 Reopening plan. This will include targeted masking as needed, social distancing between students where practicable, and regular handwashing and/or access to hand sanitizers. The school building will continue to operate in a modified secured campus model, meaning outside visitors to our campus will be limited.

This year we will continue with our commitment to excellence in all that we do, as we seek to provide world class instruction daily with the expectation that all students can learn and succeed. We look forward to having a positive impact on student performance in every content area, and in their overall academic growth and development. I am excited about all that this new school year has to offer and look forward to working collectively as a family to ensure that our students are provided with the best educational experience possible. We encourage our students to be independent thinkers, responsible citizens, effective communicators, and prepare them to be successful in their endeavors after middle school.

I look forward to greeting students for our first day of school on Tuesday, August 31st. It remains an honor and a privilege to serve as your principal and to be part of SAU 19.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Wendy Kohler'.

Wendy Kohler
Principal

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



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	
August 31 st	First Day of School
September 3 rd	No School
September 6 th	Labor Day- No School
September 9 th	Picture Day
September 14 th	Open House- Grades 5 & 8*
September 16 th	Open House- Grades 6 & 7*
September 27 th	Strings Rental Night

***Specifics about the format of Open House will be released to families soon.**

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 prior to August 25th 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.

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 @ 8:25 from the gymnasium. 5th and 6th will report directly to homeroom at drop-off. Homeroom assignments will be available in PowerSchool beginning on Wednesday, August 25th.

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. 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.

Beginning of the Year Forms

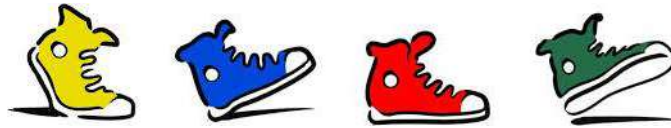
This year, SAU 19 will be using electronic versions for all of the beginning of the year forms. The required forms will be provided to parents through the parent portal, PowerSchool. Parents will need to log in and complete the necessary forms for each student. Forms will begin to be available on Wednesday,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

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.



2021-2022 Bus Routes

We anticipate that bus routes for this school year will be available on the SAU19 website during the week of August 23rd. If you have any questions, reach Goffstown Truck Center at (603) 497-3111.

Summer Reading

The start of school is just around the corner, which means that students should be wrapping up their summer reading books. For more information on summer reading options, please click [Summer Reading List Presentation](#) Parents can sign up for their student's choice by clicking here: [Sign Up for Summer Reading](#)

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.

Information Center

Beginning September 13th, 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 reopen 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 2021/2022 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 student is missing something, remind them to check the lost and found, located in the Hilltop Café.

PBIS Theme of the Month - Respect

Each month the MVMS community focuses on a specific aspect of character development. September's theme of the month is Respect. Staff and students are focused on what respect looks like here at MVMS and how one should go about being respectful of others, school, and self. Be sure to chat with your student about what he/she is learning about respect.

"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 during the week of August 25th.

Grade Level Supply List

Grade level supply lists are located on our website at: [MVMS Website](#)

Sports Information

- To visit the MVMS Athletics website, please click [MVMS Sports](#)
- MVMS is still in need of a Girls B Soccer Coach. If interested, please email Mike Garrity @ Michael.Garrity@SAU19.ORG
- 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.

Music Information

String Rental Night: Students interested in renting a strings instrument can do so on September 27, 2021 at MVMS in the Hilltop Cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. For more information, please reach out to Muriel Orcutt via email at Muriel.Orcutt@SAU19.ORG

Guidance 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
TBD	Grade 6	TBD
Ryanne Roy	Grade 7	Ryanne.roy@sau19.org
Erin Sakolosky	Grade 8	Erin.Sakolosky@SAU19.ORG

Food Service Information

Students in all grades will be using the Hilltop café for lunch. Again, this year 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 café this year. For bookkeeping purposes, forms for free/reduced lunches will be sent home during the first week of school. Please complete and return 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

Join Mountain View Partnership (MVP), our family partnership, by clicking this link for membership: <https://my.cheddarup.com/c/mvp-membership>

Join the Mountain View Partnership (MVP) Facebook Group:
<https://www.facebook.com/mountainviewpartnership>

Mountain View Partnership (your PTO) is again offering an easy way to shop for school supplies and support MVMS at the same time. We are partnering with School Toolbox to offer custom supply lists for each grade, you can add or delete items, buy extras for the classroom and everything ships directly to you for free with any order over \$50! Just visit www.schooltoolbox.com and choose Mountain View Middle School. Thank you for supporting MVP!

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 going online this year! Simply scan the QR code below or go to mvp-membership.cheddarup.com to pay your \$10 dues and enroll in our 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 (free over \$50).
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 for supporting our students and staff!



MOUNTAIN VIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021 - 2022

Aug. 27 & 30 Teacher Workshop Days
 August 31 First School Day for Students
 September 3 No School
 September 6 Labor Day
 October 1 Teacher Workshop Day
 November 11 Veteran's Day
 November 24 Early Release Day
 November 25 - 26 Thanksgiving Recess
 December 3 Teacher Workshop Day
 December 23 Early Release Day
 December 24 - 31 Holiday Recess
 January 17 Martin Luther King Day
 Feb. 28 - March 4 Winter Recess
 March 8 Teacher Workshop Day/Election Day
 April 25 - 29 Spring Recess
 May 30 Memorial Day
 June 14 Early Release/End of 180 School Day

O - First and Last Day of School

H - Holidays

TW - Teacher Workshop Days

X - School Closings

ER - Early Release Days

180 Days for Instruction (Required by RSA 189:1 and Ed 306.18). An additional 10 days must be scheduled to provide for instructional time lost due to inclement weather or unexpected circumstances and for staff development/in-service activities and Parent/Teacher Conferences (required by Ed 306.16)

The calendar is in conformance with the 190-day state requirement. School will close for students at the end of 180 days of classes, which, as of the beginning of the school year will be approximately June 14, 2022, subject to emergency cancellations and snow days.

** The School Board reserves the right to reduce the number of days for April vacation if necessitated by excessive school closings due to weather.*

Progress Report issued September 29
 End of U1 October 22
 Progress Reports issued October 28
 End of Trimester 1 November 30
 Report Cards issued December 7
 End of U2 December 17

Progress Report issued January 6
 Progress Reports issued February 4
 End of U3 February 16
 End of Trimester 2 March 14
 Report Cards issued March 21

Progress Report issued April 11
 End of U4 April 15
 Progress Reports issued May 16
 End of Trimester 3 and U5 June 14
 Report Cards issued Emailed home over the summer

Aug/Sept 2021

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May 2022

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June 2022

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