

# MCJH News

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Home of the Huskies

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MCJH News is a newsletter from Mifflin County Junior High School. Its purpose is to keep parents/guardians informed about events and activities occurring at the junior high each month. For further information, please visit our website at <http://www.mcsdk12.org/mcjh/> or contact the main office at 717-248-5441.

## Upcoming Dates 2018-19



- December 3 through December 7 - Book Fair in Library
- December 4 and 5 - 8th Grade Academy Informational Presentations
- December 13 - 9th grade Academy Tours
- December 14 - Winter Wonderland Dance 6:00 to 8:00 in the cafeteria
- December 16 - Band Concert at 3 p.m. at MCHS auditorium
- December 18 - Choir Concert 7:30 p.m. at MCHS auditorium
- December 20 - Conservation Club Field Trip
- December 24 through January 2 – Christmas Vacation – No School for Students
- January 18 - Make-up Day #1 - **Students will now attend this day due to the 11/15/2018 Snow Day**
- January 21 - Make-up Day #2 - **Students will now attend this day due to the 11/16/2018 Snow Day**
- February 15 - Act 80 Day - No School for Students
- February 18 - No School for Students - Designated Make-up Day #3
- February 22 and 23 - School Play at 7:00 p.m. in MCHS auditorium
- February 24 - School Play at 2:00 p.m. in MCHS auditorium
- March 15 - Act 80 Day - No School for Students
- April 15 through April 17 - English Language Arts PSSA - Grade 8 Students
- April 24 and 25 - Math PSSA - Grade 8 Students
- April 30 and May 1- Science PSSA - Grade 8 Students
- April 18 - No School for Students - Designated Make-up Day #4
- April 19 - Good Friday - No School for Students
- April 22 - Act 80 Day - No School for Students
- May 13 and 14 - Algebra Keystone - Algebra I Students Only
- May 16 and 17 - Biology Keystone - Biology Students Only
- May 24 - Spring Fling 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
- May 27 - Memorial Day - No School for Students
- May 29 - Last Day of School for Students - Dismissal at 12:30 p.m.
- May 30 - Designated Make-up Day #5
- May 31 - Designated Make-up Day #6

**\*For a more detailed calendar of events at MCJH, please log onto the MCJH website.**

## Before and After School Help

MCJH offers a variety of before and after school labs to help students.

- **Computer Lab** - Each day a computer lab is available for student use and is monitored by one of our computer teachers from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. and from 3:15 to 4:00 p.m. Students do not need a pass to complete and/or print any subject area work:
  - **Before School from 7:30-8:00 a.m.**
    - Tuesday Room 156 Mrs. Weber
    - Wednesday Room 160 Mrs. Fry
    - Thursday Room 158 Mrs. Wagner

- Friday Room 156 Mrs. Weber
- **After School from 3:15-4:00 p.m.**
  - Monday Room 103 Mrs. Matthews
  - Tuesday Room 103 Mrs. Matthews
  - Wednesday Room 160 Mrs. Fry
  - Thursday Room 158 Mrs. Wagner
- **Math Labs** - There are two math labs available: Get More Math and Math lab for homework help and tutoring.
  - **Get More Math lab** is open each morning at 7:30 a.m. in room 122. Students do not need a pass and may go to the lab upon arrival.
  - **Math lab** is open after school from 3:15 to 4:00 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in room 124. Students do not need a pass and they can receive help/tutoring for any math class.
- **Test Lab** - Students may make up tests Tuesday and Friday mornings in room 203 from 7:15 to 8:00. Students must have a pass from their teacher and have made prior arrangements with their subject area teacher so that the test lab monitor has the materials necessary for testing.

## Marching Band Wins TOB Championship

Congratulations to all of the members of the MCHS Marching Band for their Tournament of Bands Group 3-A Class, Atlantic Coast Championship, which was recently held in West Shore Stadium at Cedar Cliff High School in Camp Hill. The band also won the Specialty Awards for Best Music and Best Marching and Visual Program. This championship is the first for any band in Mifflin County. This historic achievement has made the MCJH staff, parents and music boosters proud of our hardworking marching band students!



## Book Fair

The book fair will be December 3 through December 7 in the Library. Students will visit during their 8th grade Reading or 9th grade English classes. Students may also visit during their study hall. Flyers were sent home last month. The last day to shop will be before 11 a.m. on December 7th. Please note that students will be charged tax on their purchases.

## Winter Wonderland Dance

The Winter Wonderland Dance will be on December 14 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. The cost is \$3 and the theme will be "Ugly Christmas Sweater." Prizes of \$25 each will be awarded to the best male and female "Ugly Christmas Attire." All MCJH and Alpha grade 8 and 9 students are welcome to attend.

## Family Access

Family Access is an excellent resource to keep up to date on your student's academic progress and we encourage you to access it regularly. If you need log-in information, please call Mrs. Goss, the guidance secretary, at 717-248-5441 extension 7506 for assistance.

# Athletic News

**Online Ticket Sales** - Go to TicketSpicket.com and search for Mifflin County. Purchase tickets online for all of Mifflin County's home events. Support Husky athletes this winter season!

**Score Results on Twitter** - Follow MC Athletics on Twitter @MCHuskySports.

## Yearbook

Students can order a yearbook at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com).

## Drama Club

The Drama Club is proud to announce this year's production of *Disney's Beauty and the Beast*. The production includes students in grades 8 through 12. Dates for the show are as follows:

Friday, Feb. 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the MCHS auditorium

Saturday, Feb. 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the MCHS auditorium

Sunday, Feb. 24 at 2:00 p.m. in the MCHS auditorium

Tickets will go on sale to the general public beginning December 13 and can be purchased online by visiting the MCS D website and clicking on the link for *Beauty and the Beast*. Ticket cost is \$10 per adult and \$5 per student. There is a small service fee for online ticket sales. Online sales will close February 17th and any remaining tickets will be sold at the door. Seats are numbered so early purchases are recommended to assure the best seating. The student cast is amazing so you won't want to miss this show!

## Spanish Club

The Spanish Club met on November 20th and created Spanish letters for veterans and sent them to the "A Million Thanks" organization. "A Million Thanks" provides support and appreciation to our active and veteran military men and women by sending letters and granting them betterment of life wishes, as well as providing higher education scholarships to their children. So far, "A Million Thanks" has sent over 9,125,482 letters! To learn more about this organization, go to <http://amillionthanks.org/>.



## 2019 PSSA & Keystone Testing Windows

- April 15 – 26 English Language Arts PSSA
- April 29 – May 3 Math and Science PSSAs
- May 13 - May 24 Biology and Algebra keystones

## Box Tops and Giant A+ Rewards

Our school participates in:

- **Box Tops for Education** - We will be holding a Box Tops drive in December. For every 10 unexpired Box Tops turned in by December 21, students will earn an entry into a drawing for a \$5 gift card to a local business of their choice. To participate in the drawing, please make sure the student's name is on the bag/envelope of Box Tops. Box Tops may be turned into the main office, to Mrs. Adamire in Room 131, or to any first period teacher.
- **Giant A+ Rewards**
  - Register your Giant Bonus Card at [www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus](http://www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus) and select Savings & Rewards. Follow the prompts to create your online account. You'll need your 11-digit Bonus Card number and the School ID# 40319. More information is located on the MCJH website <http://www.mcsdk12.org/mcjh/>
  - We are grateful to the 127 families who have registered their Bonus Cards, earning our school \$337.63 thus far!

# Run with the PACK

The students and staff would like to thank the following businesses and groups for supporting our Run with the PACK program for the 2018-2019 school year. These businesses have generously donated toward our goals of creating a positive school atmosphere and helping students to be responsible, act safely, have character, and make a difference: Lewistown Dairy Queen; Impress Design and Print; Central PA Dock and Door, LLC; Majik Rent-to-Own; Houtz Chiropractic; Ferguson Valley Storage, the Husky Club and MCSD Athletic Director, Tish Maclay.

“Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.”

~ Albert Einstein