

MCMS NEWSLETTER

February



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Office Hours: 7:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Dear parents/guardians,

As we return to school in-person, we continue to hurdle many obstacles. The February Newsletter contains information on before/after-school tutoring, school closures, online yearbook orders, picture retakes, and much more. It also serves as a way to spotlight our Husky of the Month winners!

MCMS - Husky Educational Learning Program - H.E.L.P.

The Husky Educational Learning Program, or HELP, is a voluntary after-school tutoring program for all our 6th and 7th grade students who may be in need of additional assistance with any of their academic subjects.

HELP is now being offered Monday through Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. through February 26, 2021.

MCMS - EARLY BIRD Tutoring

The Early Bird program is a voluntary before-school tutoring session open to all MCMS students during the school year.

Early Bird is now being offered Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. through February 26, 2021.

Upcoming Events

Friday, February 5, 2021

Report Card Distribution - MP2

Friday, February 5, 2021

Picture Retakes

Friday, February 12, 2021

PBIS All School Reward

Picture Retakes

Friday, February 5, 2021
(If we have a delay on 2/5, Picture Retakes will be 2/12)

Any student who hasn't been photographed will have their pictures taken this day. Also, any student wishing to have their pictures retaken should return their original photo package to the photographer on this day and have a new photo taken.

Students may pickup additional information on the table outside the main office, or visit the Strawbridge website at Strawbridge.net, clicking the Order Pictures & Yearbooks link (This is only for pictures. We do NOT order yearbooks through Strawbridge), and then enter the MCMS Code, FM338302.

Online Yearbook Orders

Yearbook orders are being taken online this year. To order visit Balfour.com or use the link on our school webpage (<https://www.balfour.com/pennsylvania/lewistown/mifflin-county-middle-school>). Please have orders placed by Feb. 14th. If you do not have a way to order online, please email the yearbook advisor at ldr24@mcsdk12.org to make other arrangements.

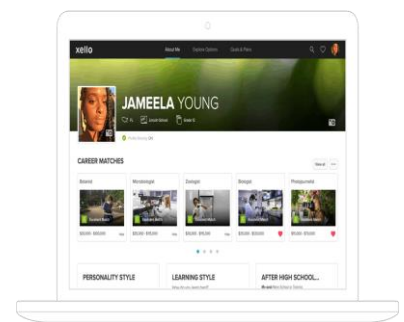


School Closures

- **A weather closure will be a Flexible Instructional Day.** - Academic work is completed at home. Students can obtain work online through Google Classroom. Paper versions of work may be made available, depending when the remote instructional day has been called. - This type of day is modelled after the Remote Friday, asynchronous day, with Google Classroom work and Teacher Office Hours in the a.m. and the p.m. - No live Zooms.
- **A covid closure** of the building will depend on the amount of time that the building is to be closed. This type of day may be asynchronous as described above and/or synchronous where students are able to access Live Zoom Lessons. Schedules will be sent to parents via Skyward and posted on the MCMS website.
- It is important to note that students are required to report attendance on **all Flexible Instructional Days and days that school is closed due to covid cases.** Students are also responsible to complete their assignments in a timely manner.
- **IF** a delay or early dismissal is ever called, there is no class being held at that time.

Career Awareness

All 6th and 7th grade students will be participating in a Career Awareness Activity in their computer classes. Xello is a computer-based program that enables students to complete interactive career, personality, and learning style assessments. Students use this information to create a portfolio that showcases their interests, skills, and abilities. Xello also provides students with the opportunity to explore hundreds of career and college options that align with their assessment results.





What is the Student Assistance Program? SAP identifies students having difficulty in school because of problems related to substance abuse or emotional difficulties. SAP has many resources that can help students overcome difficulties, improve their outlook, and decrease barriers to learning.

Who can be referred? Any student who you think may be having problems. Students can even refer themselves.

Who can make referrals? Teachers, Counselors, Principals, Parents, Guardians, Relatives, Students, Community Members, Anyone Who Cares.

How do you make a referral? Drop a referral form in the SAP referral box or contact a SAP team member.

SAP IS...an identification, intervention, and referral team.

SAP IS...confidential.

SAP IS NOT...a counseling, treatment, or discipline team.

December Husky of the Month Winners



6th Grade: Emily Wilson, Ethan McMonigal, Jamieson Parks, Jersey Poeta, Navaeh Symmerman

7th Grade: Alexandra Rupert, Bo Reeder, Caroline Palopoli, Maya Burke, Zane Gramley

January Husky of the Month Winners



6th Grade: Abby O'Donnell, Breanna Carmany, Isaiah Steele, James Estep, Lucas Hartung

7th Grade: Dylan Liggett, Eden Molinaro, Emily Porch, Savannah Tassa, Shaylin Shaffer