



Mifflin County Junior High

Husky News



September 2025

Welcome Back!

We've kicked off the year with energy, and now it's time to dive even deeper. September is all about growing our skills, building community, and showing what we can achieve. Let's make this month count!

Let's continue to support one another, strive for excellence, and continue to "Run with the P.A.C.K" as we take on the school year ahead—together.

Policy 105.1

Mifflin County School District School Board Policy 105.1 requires annual notification to parents/guardians and students that parents/guardians and students have an opportunity to review instructional materials and have access to information about the curriculum, including academic standards to be achieved, instructional materials and assessment techniques. Requests to review instructional materials and access information about the curriculum, including academic standards to be achieved, instructional materials and assessment techniques should be made by submitting a written request to the building principal.

Important Dates

September 1- Labor Day- No School for Students

September 10- Back-to-School Night @ 6 p.m.

September 19- Individual Picture Day

October 8- Lockdown Drill

October 13- Act 80 Day

[Full 2025-26 School Calendar Click Here](#)

MEDICATION POLICY

"Over-the-Counter Medication forms will be handed out to students.

This form must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian for students to receive medication from the school nurse. If your child does not submit the Over-the-Counter Medication form to the Nurse's Office, your child will not receive medication at school. Forms are available in the nurse's office. As a reminder, students are NOT permitted to carry any medications on their person during school hours. This includes cough drops, medicated creams, eye drops, or anything else that is used for medicinal purposes. Any medication required to be taken at school

MUST be transported to school by a parent/guardian or designated adult and accompanied by a physician's order. Parents and guardians are required to sign medications into the nurse's office at drop-off. If your child requires an inhaler, a new physician order must be submitted to the school nurse EACH school year before your child can carry an inhaler on their person. Failure to do so is a violation of the MCSD Medication Policy."

After School Tutoring

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

3:15 - 4:30 p.m.

Room 124

Math Lab

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Room 122

MCJH on Social Media
Click Icons for link



[mifflin-county.jh](https://www.mifflin-county.jh)



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New Huskies



Wendy Bonson- Learning Support

Previous Life Skills teacher in Mifflin County High School, Learning Support in Strodes Mills Elementary School, and a Charter School.

My interests are varied, but include music, outdoor activities, games, lots of laughter, and hanging out with friends and family.

Skylar Kutruff- English/Language Arts

Hello Everyone! My name is Miss Kutruff and I will be teaching 8th grade ELA this school year! This will be my first-year teaching at Mifflin County Junior High. I graduated from Penn State University in 2024 and most recently was a building sub at Glendale School District. In my free time I love spending time with my friends and family, going to Penn State football games and going to country concerts. Some of my favorite things are coffee, dogs, Chickfila and shopping! My goal for this upcoming school year is to foster a supportive, positive, and encouraging classroom environment where students feel safe, challenged, and inspired to learn. I'm eager to see what this year has in store for us!



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Maggie Mitchell- Learning Support

This is my first-year teaching Learning Support at the junior high. I have taught preschool for the last 20 years, but I was finally able to "graduate" and move on to teaching big kids! I am a wife and a mother of two. Two fun facts, I absolutely love penguins, but I do not like chocolate at all! I cannot wait for this next chapter at the Junior High!

Carrie Baumgardner- Health Room Aide

I have been an LPN for 30 years. I have been a nurse with Bayada Pediatric for the last 15 years, working with high-risk children with Trach and a ventilator.

I live in Reedsville. I have been married for 27 years. I have 5 children(3 girls, 2 boys). My oldest is a 2022 graduate of MCHS. She will be graduating from DeSales University this December and then heading into her Master's for Healthcare Administration. My 2 other daughters are both in college both are studying early childhood education. My sons are in 10th and 9th grade this year. I enjoy cooking and baking, decorating my home, and spending time with my family. We are quite busy as we have our oldest son in marching band and our younger son in football and then basketball and lacrosse this year.



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Noah Wright- Physical Education

I most recently taught at Mifflin County Middle School. I went to Juniata College and Mifflin County High School.

I am an avid sports fan! I like to watch any sports and enjoy playing golf during the summer. I root for Penn State, the Steelers, the Pirates, and the Penguins!

Legend Bruner- 8th Grade Reading

I taught in North Carolina and graduated from PSU; I ride motorcycles, speak Japanese, I am learning the guitar, and I love all forms of literature.





Run with the P.A.C.K.



Be ResPonsible

Act SAfely

Have Character

MaKe a Difference

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

We're excited to welcome everyone into a new school year full of learning, connection, and community spirit! September is packed with events and opportunities for our students to engage, grow, and celebrate together. Here's a look at what's happening this month:

Important Dates & Events

- **September 2** – *First Raffle Kickoff - School Supplies!*
- **September 8** – *PBIS Store Opens* – Students can redeem their points!
- **September 12** – *Home Football Game & Spirit Sale* – Show your Pack pride!
- **September 26** – Spirit Sale and another Home Football Game
- **September 28–30** –
 - Club flyers posted in the cafeteria all week
 - September 30: *Raffle Drawing - School Supplies!*

This Month's PBIS Focus: Be Responsible

Throughout September, our school-wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program is emphasizing **responsibility**. Families, please join us in reinforcing this value at home by encouraging students to take ownership of their actions, schoolwork, and commitments.

Get Involved!

- Encourage your student to check out the club information tables in mid-September—this is a great way to explore interests and make new friends.
- Show your school spirit at football games and Spirit Sales!

We look forward to a successful September, filled with teamwork, school spirit, and positive energy. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping our students “Run with the Pack”!

With appreciation,
Mifflin County PBIS Team

Yearbook

The yearbook fundraiser will begin on Tuesday, September 2, 2025. Students will have a chance to earn a free yearbook. The cost of the yearbook is \$35 and will go up throughout the year. The first price hike will take effect on September 13, and the cost will be \$37 at that time. A candle fundraiser form has been sent home with each student. The profit explanation is on the form.

All forms must be turned in to Ms. Corson in room 154 on or before September 19, 2025. Delivery/Pickup is scheduled for Thursday, October 9, 2025, outside the office at Mifflin County Junior High School from 3:30-5:00 p.m. Students may take the orders with them on the bus if you prefer.



To Order a Yearbook Use the QR Code or click the link below:

[Josten's Yearbook Link](#)

COUNTLESS AMAZING MEMORIES. ONE ICONIC YEARBOOK.

NOW \$35.00

Order by 09/12/2025



TO ORDER:

- Scan the QR Code
- jostens.com/btsoffer
- 1 (877) 767-5217

YEARBOOK	\$35.00
ENHANCED PERSONALIZATION	\$10.00
ICONS	FREE!
PHOTO POCKETS	\$5.00
DONATE A YEARBOOK	\$35.00
CLEAR PROTECTIVE COVER	\$5.00
WORLD BEAT	\$5.00

SCORE **FOUR FREE ICONS** WHEN YOU PERSONALIZE YOUR COVER



More icon options are available online.



Share your student's photos with the yearbook staff to be featured in the yearbook more.

1



Open your phone's camera and scan this code.

Or visit photos.jostens.com/upload

2

Upload your favorite photos from the year.

3

Tag students for the yearbook staff.

Flexible payment options are available at checkout. Taxes, service fees and delivery fees will be added, if applicable.



CURRENT REWARD

TOTAL:

\$29.50!

SCAN NEW QR CODE TO REGISTER YOUR CARD!

- Points are awarded to your school every time you shop and are converted to CASH for your school.
- If you were registered last year, you will need to re-register for the 2025-26 school year
- Please share our QR code with your friends/family so they can help us earn points!
- Eligible points from the beginning of the year will be added retroactively, so you can register anytime.
- More information is located on the MCJH website under the Assist MCJH tab.

Box Tops For Education MCJH

MCJH receives rewards from Box Tops, a digital receipt-scan app that is free and available for download on the App Store or at Google Play.

More information is located on the MCJH website under the Assist MCJH tab.

DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:



PBIS Student Rewards

- PBIS Store will be open daily 7:30-8:00 a.m. & 3:15-3:30 p.m.
- Use rewards app to order items, then pick up items at the store.
- Keep watching for drawings that will be happening throughout the school year!

Husky Resources

At Mifflin County Junior High School, we strive to create a safe, respectful, and engaging learning environment for all students. To support this goal, we ask that families review the Student Handbook for Secondary Education, which outlines important policies, expectations, and guidelines. <https://www.mcsdk12.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Secondary-Education-Student-Handbook-2024-2025-Rev-3-5-25.pdf>. We encourage parents and guardians to read through the handbook with their student to ensure everyone is familiar with school rules, attendance policies, and behavior expectations. Please note that as policy updates occur, the Student Handbook may be revised accordingly.



Mifflin County Junior High is committed to maintaining a positive and responsive school environment. If you have a concern or complaint about Board policy and procedures, programs, personnel, operations or facilities, concerns should be addressed directly with the teacher, staff member or administrator involved. Many issues can be resolved through open and respectful communication. More information on complaint procedures is provided in Policy 906 of the MCSD Policy Manual. <https://go.boarddocs.com/pa/miff/Board.nsf/Public#>

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Student Assistance Program (SAP)

The MCJH Student Assistance Program (SAP) Team is a group of professionals dedicated to helping to identify and assist students who may be struggling with life issues that are interfering with school performance. The SAP team consists of teachers, administrators, school counselors, social workers, nurses, and representatives from community agencies who have been specially trained to work with students and make appropriate referrals. This help is provided in a completely non disciplinary way. Based on the diverse needs of our students, this process may include an interview with a member of the SAP team, a counseling group, or individual counseling with the school-based therapist or social worker. Services may include academic support; behavior management; drug and alcohol education, prevention, assessment and treatment through Clear Concepts; anger management; mental health assessment through the Youth Advocate Program; conflict resolution, or involvement in community agencies. All SAP-related services are free and confidential. A parent or guardian must sign a permission for SAP services. Any student, parent, or teacher may make a referral. If you have concerns for a MCSD student in grades K12, please contact an administrator, school counselor, or school nurse.

Guidance

Ms. Kristine Johnston and Mrs. Lisa Kile are the MCJH school counselors. Mrs. Kile is responsible for students with last names A-K, and Ms. Johnston is responsible for students with last names L-Z. Please contact your student's guidance counselor if you have any concerns throughout the school year.

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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 login information, please call Mrs. Bulick, the guidance secretary, at 717-248- 5441 extension 7506 for assistance.
 - If you are having problems accessing busing information, online attendance, etc., tutorials can be found on the MCSD website by following the instructions below:
 - Open web browser and type URL <https://www.mcsdk12.org/>
 - From the menu, click STUDENTS/PARENTS
 - Click link TECH TUTORIALS
 - Scroll to location FAMILY ACCESS
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