

MEDICINE CROW MIDDLE SCHOOL

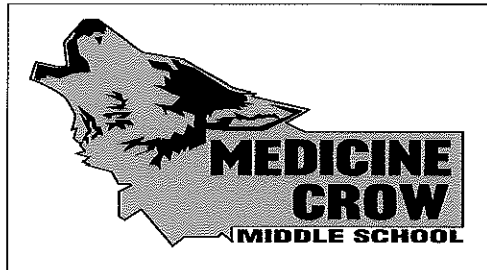
May 2021

NEWSLETTER

"Welcome to the Wolfpack"

Principal: Mrs. Nikki Hofmann

Associate Principal: Mrs. Kristen Merchant



Dear Students & Parents:

Hello Wolfpack Family!

We made it!!! In August, we were hoping to make it for a month of in person learning. Now, here we are, successfully completing the entire school year. Thank you for your support, patience and determination, making this possible for our students!

With restrictions still in place, students will receive their awards at the end of the year in small group settings. Medicine Crow 6th, 7th and 8th graders will receive their Power of the Pack certificates. This is a participation award earned by active involvement in a combination of clubs, honor roll and sports. The goal is to encourage students to be involved in student life at MCMS. Students will receive a certificate this spring; in the fall when they return, they will be given an official Power of the Pack card. You are probably wondering why the cards aren't given out this spring.

Simple! We want to make sure the cards do not get lost between now and fall:-) For 8th grade, Power of the Pack winners will receive a certificate and a Skyview lanyard to send them off to their freshman year. Students who earned Power of the Pack honors are listed at the end of the newsletter.

Most of the honors recognize our 8th grade students for their cumulative leadership and academic endeavors during the time at MCMS. These awards are the American Legion, Elks and YMCA awards. We also present the Spirit of the Wolf awards to select 8th grade students for demonstrating the characteristics of respect, responsibility, preparedness, determination, and safety; these are the qualities we focus on during the year. Subject areas will also be awarding stand out students in their particular area in all three grade levels. On May 27, at 9:00am, 8th grade students who maintained a 3.5 GPA all semesters of middle school will be recognized at the Honors Tea. This notification has already been sent to parents.

Thank you for your support, encouragement and sharing your children with us this year!

Happy Spring,
Nikki Hofmann, Principal

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IMPORTANT DATES

MAY

- 17 Spring Orchestra Concert at 7:00 pm
- 21 All Library Books Due today
- 25 All City Track Meet at Wendy's Field
- 27 Honor's Tea at 9:00 am
(Parents will receive a postcard in the mail if your child is in Honor's Tea)
- 31 No School: Memorial Day

JUNE

- 4 Last Day of School: Dismiss at 12:30 pm

Summer School:

- June 14th-July 22nd
- Mondays thru Thursdays

Parents, please be aware we have implemented some additional security measures at all of our Billings Schools:

BPS ENTRANCE PROTOCOL FOR ALL SCHOOLS:

When visitors arrive at the main entrance, the designated staff member at each building will ask the purpose of their visit and ask to see a picture ID prior to opening the door.

Please bring your photo ID with you when picking up your children during the school day. If you have any questions or concerns, please call us at (406)281-8600.

MOVING THIS SUMMER?

If you plan on moving over the summer, please let the office know. You can call us at 281-8600. This helps in planning for next year classrooms. We will also mail a Newsletter in August with next year school information and want to make sure that you will be receiving all important information.

6th GRADE PARENTS

The State of Montana has immunization requirements for all students entering the 7th Grade. All incoming 7th Graders must have a Tdap booster immunization. If you are not sure if your child has received the Tdap booster, please feel free to call the office. If you have proof of the Tdap booster, please bring the record to the office and we will make a copy for our records.

Immunizations are given at Riverstone Health Immunization Clinic at 123 S. 27th Street, Mondays and Fridays from 1:00 pm-4:30 pm and on Wednesdays from 11:00 am-6:30 pm or you can make an appointment with their doctor. We are also lucky to have the convenience of having the Riverstone Clinic at Medicine Crow. Please call 247-3210 to make an appointment.

Please bring a copy of your child's immunization card to the school for verification after getting their shots. Thank you for your assistance.

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CITY TRACK MEET: NOT a "Get out of School Free Day"

Attention Parents: Please do not call or send notes to excuse students to be released from school to attend the City Track Meet at Wendy's Field on May 25th.

COVID restrictions on attendance remain in place. Family members of participants only may attend on a limited basis.

Thank you for your assistance.

CASA VOLUNTEERS

The success of our future depends on the well-being of our children, but in Montana they are among the most vulnerable in our communities. Statewide, the number of children entering foster care due to abuse or neglect in recent years has skyrocketed. In Yellowstone County, the number of children removed from their home has increased drastically from 182 in 2014 to nearly 600 in 2017, resulting in approximately 1,000 children currently in Foster Care. Despite the enormity of these statistics, our children are more than numbers, and each one deserves a voice. You could be that voice by becoming a volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocate, with CASA of Yellowstone County. Give us a call 259-1233 or visit our website at yellowstonecasa.org to learn more about our upcoming information sessions and how you can make a difference in the life of an abused or neglected child. The next New Advocate training begins in May.

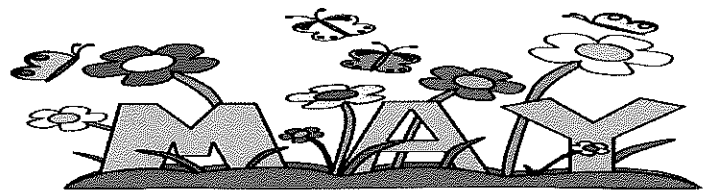
Warm regards,
Ben McKee
Recruitment Coordinator
CASA of Yellowstone County
406-259-1233

MEDICINE CROW STAFF THANKS YOU!

The Medicine Crow Staff would like to thank the parents for contributing to the Staff Appreciation Week. We had numerous monetary donations, door prizes, delicious food, and help during the week. We cannot tell you how much we appreciate all of the parental support! Thank you!!

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL INFORMATION

The last day of school is Friday, June 4th and is an early out for all of Billings Public Schools. Students at Medicine Crow will be dismissed at 12:30 pm on that day.



8TH GRADE HONORS TEA (*Indicates Presidential Award Winner)

These students have maintained a 3.5 or higher GPA during all semesters of middle school.

Congratulations!

Kassie Armer*	Olivia Field	Cort Kaufman*	Ella Schultz
Casey Bendure*	Landon Foreman*	Cedric Longfellow*	Hannah Schultz
Caitlynn Carlson	Serenity Hargrove*	Kailani McCoy-Forest*	Rylie Smith-Saldana*
Mason Clark*	Cole Harris	Rebekah Nickisch	Chaise Tracy
Ryan Comstock	Awayshen Hoffer*	Chloe Park	Evelynn Turner*
McKenna Dean*	Reese Jeffers	Kennadie Peterman	Violet Walters
Lilly Feist	Alexandria Johnston	Cyra Plainfeather*	Trace Wiegand*
			Anthony Williams

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STUDENT RECOGNITION ASSEMBLIES

With restrictions still in place, students will receive their awards at the end of the year in small group settings.

We will also be having our Honor's Tea for all 8th Graders that qualify. This will be held on Thursday, May 27th at 9:00 am in the commons. These students have had a GPA of 3.5 or higher for their Middle School Years. **(POSTCARDS SENT)**

We would like to congratulate all of these students and honor them for their hard work in these Recognition Assemblies. We are listing the Power of the Pack Honors below. These will be handed out during their Science Classes. Please contact the office at 281-8600 if you have any questions.

POWER OF THE PACK HONORS:

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
Brenna Begger Keoni Bighorn Joseph Farris Kenyon Hamlet Hannah Leonard Lyra Long	Avari Carroll Hunter Farris Mason Fichtner Madisyn Gordon Brooklyn Gutierrez Anisa Jackson Joshua Korwald Addison McCoskery Darcy Merchant Kingston Oe Kenna Pfeifle Hadrian Plainfeather Aries Platero Mylie Reiter Kaylie Scherer Bradee White Hanna Wright	Kassie Armer Connor Begger Hayden Bertsch Emma Chapman Bennett Choate Brooke Christoferson Ryan Comstock Rebecca Edwards Leland Ennis Olivia Field Devin Grossman Serenity Hargrove Awayshen Hoffer Katrina Hurley Cort Kaufman Winter Lonebear Cedric Longfellow Morgan Moran Victoria Nava Rebekah Nickisch Bridger Ostrem Chloe Park Kennadie Peterman Cyra Plainfeather Ella Schultz Hannah Schultz Isabelle Smart Camryn Steiner Zoey Sturgill Noah Torres Evelynn Turner Violet Walters Ella Wingerter

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH

As we continue to grow as a school community, the staff at Medicine Crow seeks to recognize more of our students! Three students at each level, 6, 7 and 8, are nominated each month for this honor. Students who exemplify any or all of the Wolfpack traits of Respectful, Accountable, Safe and Determined are considered for this recognition. Students selected will have their name in the school based newspaper The Howler, the parent newsletter, have a picture on the recognition board (work in progress) and receive a treat from Student Council. Congratulations to our Students of the Month!

6TH GRADE

FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
David Long	Jacob Piccioni	Tiffany Miramontes-Judkins	Brody Spealman
Ethan Boyer	Kierra Lonebear	Eli Stumpf	Makayla Ecker

7TH GRADE

FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
Mason Fichtner	Madison Simons	Carter Shroyer	Emilee Stenberg
Brityn Richards	Mackenna Collins	Avari Carroll	Madisyn Gordon

8TH GRADE

FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY
Katrina Hurley	Jayvyn Gallup	Isabelle Smart	Raylee Yellowhawk
Chloe Park	Hezekiah Miller	Awayshen Hoffer	Ryan Comstock

SUMMER HOURS FOR THE RIVERSTONE MEDICINE CROW CLINIC

Hours of operation for the summer are as follows:

- Mondays and Fridays: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- Tuesdays and Thursdays: 8:00 am - 12:00 Noon and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

The Riverstone Clinic at Medicine Crow School will also be open this summer for their behavioral health services. You may schedule appointments with the Behavioral Health Providers, Brandi McFerran LCSW and Diane Hurd NP at 247-3210.

They will tentatively plan to have some sports physical appointments available during the month of August. We will include this updated information in the August Newsletter.

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SPORTS PHYSICALS

School sports physicals are required yearly and only for those students participating in middle school (including 6th grade) and high school sports. Physical examinations conducted before May 1st are not valid for participation for the following school year. The pre-participation physical exam form, which must be completed and accompany the student at the time of the physical, can be downloaded from the MHS website under Resources/Forms/Miscellaneous.

There are also helpful links on the Billings Public School website: billingssschools.org

If you Click on the "Departments" tab, and then "Activities".

You can then click on the link for "Billings Clinic sports physicals" or "Children's Clinic sports physicals".

You may get a sports physical at any health care provider you choose but the examination must be certified by a licensed medical professional acting within the scope and limitations of his/her practice. Please note: Physical exams must be completed prior to the first practice. Completed forms should be turned in to the school where they will be participating/attending.

Medicine Crow Middle School is also very lucky to have the Riverstone Clinic in our building who can complete Sports Physicals. You can call them at 247-3210 to make an appointment.

Again, these must be completed each school year, before the student is able to participate or practice in any sport. Please bring the completed form to our office.

NURSE'S MAY NEWSLETTER

May is National Physical Fitness and Sport Month

People of all ages and body types can participate in physical activity, so get out there and promote being active in our Billings community! Find something that is fun for you and your family. Go for a walk, hike on the rims or in the mountains, swim at Lake Elmo, throw a ball around at a park, or take a bike ride around the neighborhood. Having fun and being active doesn't have to be expensive! The benefits of staying physically fit affect everyone and only a few of which are bone health, muscular fitness, heart health, balance and cognitive functioning. That's right, it helps your brain too!

May is also
SKIN CANCER
Awareness Month

Summer Skin Protection:

Slip on protective clothing, Slop on Sunscreen SPF 15 daily, Slap on a hat, Seek shade between 10AM-4PM, and Slide on some sunglasses.



Protect yourself in five ways from skin cancer

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School Supply List 2021-2022

6TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

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| 1- Ruler | 1-2 - Black or Blue Pens |
| 4- Expo Markers | 1- Highlighter set of 3 or 4 |
| 1- Box Colored Pencils (12) | 4 - 1 Subject Spiral Notebooks |
| 2- Containers of Disinfectant Wipes (Give to 1st Period Class) | 2- Earbuds (English & Testing Pair)-inexpensive |
| 2- Boxes of Kleenex (Give to 1st Period Teacher) | 2-3 Glue Sticks |
| 1- Three Ring Binder(1" or 1 1/2" - used for Science Class Only) | 2-Pocket Folders (Math) |
| 1-Pkg Pocket Dividers with Tabs (5 or 8) | 1-Composition Notebook for English |
| 1-Pkg of lined paper (for Science binder) | 2- Vinyl Pocket Folders (English) |
| 1-Scissors | 1-2 Erasers |
| 1-Basic Calculator (Math) | 2-Boxes of Pencils |
- \$5 to purchase a student planner the first day of school

Loose leaf paper and pencils as needed throughout the year!!

Orchestra:

- Materials are listed on the Orchestra Website at <https://bit.ly/3e3Y7hW> under the classwork tab

Band:

- Materials are listed on the Band Website <https://sites.google.com/billingsschools.org/mcmsband/home> under the grade level tab and then click on Band Manual

Gym clothes

- T-shirt or sweatshirt below the waist when arms are raised (no crop tops)
- Shorts, leggings, or sweats (shorts must be fingertip length or longer)
- Socks
- Tennis shoes that tie or velcro

REMINDER: This is a general supply list for 6th grade. There will be a few additional supplies that students will need to purchase after school starts. Each teacher will notify students during the first few days of school of any additional supplies.

7TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

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| 1- Spiral Notebook (Geography) | 1-Two Pocket Folder (Geography) |
| 1- Five Subject Notebook with Pockets (Science) | 1-Box Colored Pencils (24) |
| 1-Box of Pencils | 1-Package lined paper |
| 1-Two Pocket Folder/Vinyl recommended (English) | 1-Three Ring Binder (1 1/2") (Math) |
| 2-Boxes of Kleenex (give to 1st Period Teacher) | 1-Composition Notebook (English) |
| 1-Basic Calculator (Math) | 1-Trapper Keeper (Optional) |
| 1-Set Highlighters: set of 3 or 4 | |
| 2-Earbuds or Headphones (English & Testing Pair) - Inexpensive | |
- \$5 to purchase a student planner the first day of school

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- Socks
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8TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- 1-Three Ring Binder (1 1/2") for Science Class
 - 1-Packet of Pocket Dividers (package of 9) for Science Class
 - 1-Package of Loose Leaf Paper for Science Class
 - 1-Package of Highlighters (set of 4) for Science and History Classes
 - 1-Three Subject Notebook for English Class
 - 1-Folder with Prongs (English)
 - 1- One Subject Spiral Notebooks (History)
 - 1-1" Three Ring Binder (History)
 - 1-Spiral Graph Paper Notebook (Math)
 - 1-Scientific Calculator (approximately \$15 or less)
 - 3- Packages of 4 Black Dry Erase Markers (two of these packages are for math class)
 - 2-Boxes Kleenex (Give to 1st period teacher)
 - 2-Earbuds/Headphones for English & pair for testing (inexpensive)
 - 1-Box of Pencils
 - \$5 to purchase a student planner the first day of school
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JOB FAIR

2021/2022 School Year

(Start date for employment approximately August 16)

NOW HIRING Sodexo Staff

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406-281-5878

Full Time/Part Time Hours, Shifts; Monday-Friday,

Work the School Calendar,

Complete the 60 day Probation Period and

**Receive a \$150.00 Sign-On Bonus on completion of
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