



January 29, 2022,

Parents,

We are excited to have several new staff members join our staff recently! Please help us welcome them to MVMS!

Dylan Freeman - 8th Grade Social Studies
Cathy Womack - Head Custodian
Cory Charbeneau - Permanent Substitute Teacher
Michelle Dunahee - Special Education Teacher
Varonda Hetrick - Cafeteria Manager

We will have a few additional names to share very soon as we are in the process of filling other positions.

Have a great weekend!

Brooke Tharp

MVMS Principal

Spelling Bee Winners and Students of the Month

Congratulations to *ALL* of our spelling bee participants this year! A special congratulations to our Spelling Bee winner, Elijah Lemmon, and our runner-up, Lucy Hickman!



Also, congratulations to our December Students of the Month! We are proud of the way they represent MVMS!



8th Grade Transition to High School

On Tuesday, February 1st, the high school counselors will present information to 8th grade students about their transition to high school, high school courses, and diploma tracks. Students will receive a Course Request Sheet to take home, complete, and return with student and parent signatures.

8th grade parents and students are welcome to attend the 8th Grade Curriculum Night Wednesday, February 2nd at Mt. Vernon High School. High school administrators, counselors, special education director, athletic director, and the band/choir directors will be available. The presentation will begin at 6:30 pm. Enter door 7.

If you cannot attend, information will be posted on the high school and middle school webpages and shared through ParentSquare next week.

Mt. Vernon High School

8th Grade Parent Curriculum Night

Transition to High School



8th-grade parents are invited to an informational meeting to help ease the transition from middle school to high school.

Join us in the MVHS Auditorium
Enter Door 7

Wednesday, February 2, 2022
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Topics will include:

Academics
College and Career Readiness
Specialty Classes
Scheduling
Student Responsibilities
Extracurricular Activities
Available Resources

...as well as other important topics!

Join the MVCSC Team

Community members who are looking for work or know someone who is looking for a rewarding position are encouraged to consider MVCSC employment opportunities. The district is hiring custodians, instructional assistants, food service, and bus drivers-- all offering competitive wages and all playing a vital part in the Marauder school family. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about open positions and become part of our team.

Currently, MVMS is looking for instructional assistants and food service staff. Click on the link above to apply!

Food Service Job Opportunities

Are you a stay at home parent looking to make some extra money while on your kids schedule? Our food service department is hiring at all schools and could really use your help! If you are interested please fill out an application at www.mvcsc.k12.in.us/employment or email doris.johnson@mvcsc.k12.in.us or kasey.voeller@mvcsc.k12.in.us

OUR FOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOU!

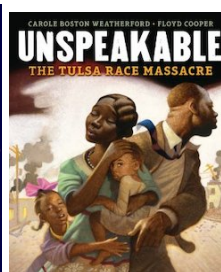
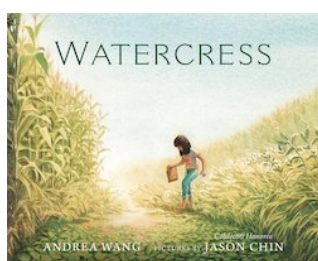
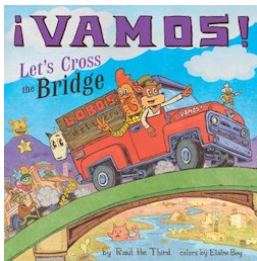


Apply now at:
www.mvcsc.k12.in.us/employment



MV Reads: News from the Library

We have great news to share! ALA (American Library Association) announced the top books, digital media, video and audiobooks for children and young adults -- including the Caldecott, Coretta Scott King, Newbery and Printz awards (pictures below) -- at its Midwinter Meeting & Exhibits this past Monday, January 24th. See [2022 Youth Media Awards](#) link for the comprehensive list. Congratulations to all the winning authors and illustrators! #worldreadalouddayFEB3



Class Trips

7th Grade Trip to Cincinnati

Please read the information and sign up [HERE](#) for the trip if you have not yet done so. The first payment of \$80.00 is due on February 4th.

8th Grade Trip to Washington, D.C.

All payments were due by January 28th to keep your student/chaperone hotel, venue, and bus seat reserved.

As a reminder, class trips are considered a privilege. Students with severe disciplinary issues throughout the school year, who are not able to keep an upstanding academic record, or have attendance problems, may be excluded from class trips with the potential for no refund. Good standing checks will be done at the end of each academic quarter.

To pay for the class trips through eFunds, follow these steps:

1. Log into your Skyward Family Access account.
2. Select Fee Management on the left side.
3. Select your student from the drop down menu at the top (if you have multiple students).
4. Select Make a Payment
5. If you are making a chaperone payment, you should see the option to select chaperone payment for the appropriate trip.
6. If you are making a payment for your student, select Pay Optional Fees
7. Choose the Fee you want to pay (Cincinnati Student Payment 1 or DC Student Payment 3, for example).
8. Continue with payment process

If you have questions, please contact Stephanie Evans at stephanie.evans@mvcsc.k12.in.us or 317-485-3160.

MVMS Yearbooks

Orders for the 2021-22 yearbook are being accepted now at inter-state.com/order

Softcover yearbook- \$20

Hardcover yearbook- \$25

The order deadline is March 7th.

Lunch

Students can receive a free lunch and breakfast at MVMS daily. If students wish to purchase additional items and/or additional lunch, they are charged. Students cannot go through the line twice, so any additional items that they wish to purchase must be purchased when they go through the line. If your student wants to purchase extras or an additional lunch, you can add money to your student's lunch accounts through eFunds in Skyward.

47th Annual Talent Show

We are looking for singers, dancers, musicians, and anyone with a unique talent to perform in the talent show on March 3rd. Permission slips are now available from Mr. Falkenberg in room C311. Auditions are after school on February 15 and 17. An

online audition is also available on February 16. Contact Mr. Falkenberg at dean.falkenberg@mvcsc.k12.in.us if you have any questions.

Audition Calendar

Date	Time	Location
Tuesday, February 15	3:45 pm	7th and 8th Graders in Marauder Hall
Wednesday, February 16	6:00 pm	Anyone who cannot attend in-person auditions may audition via a Google Meeting
Thursday, February 17	3:45 pm	6th Grades in Marauder Hall

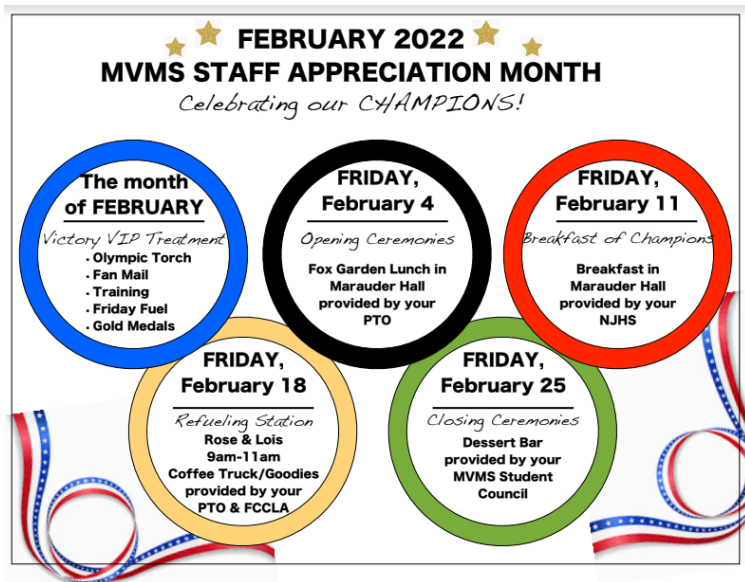
News from the PTO

Upcoming PTO Events

- February - STAFF APPRECIATION MONTH! We will be celebrating all of our MVMS CHAMPIONS the entire month of February, Winter Olympic style!
- February 7 - Dine to donate - The Grill, McCordsville 5 - 8 PM
- February 7-11 - Candy Gram Sales - we will be selling Valentine themed candy grams during all lunch periods.
- April 6 - Dine to donate - Lincoln Square, Fortville.
- Date TBD - 6 and 7th grade end of year celebration!
- May 3 - Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- May 13 - 8th grade Semi-formal dance! Information will be available in the coming months.









Teacher Appreciation Month!

We will be doing so many fun things during the month of February to celebrate the CHAMPIONS who have kept our kids in school, learning & safe! Here is a schedule of our plans for the month.



MVMS STAFF FAN MAIL

February 2022 is Staff Appreciation MONTH! Please take a minute to have your students write & deliver notes to teachers or staff members that they would like to recognize. We are celebrating these CHAMPIONS who work so hard to keep our students in school, learning and safe! THESE NOTES CAN BE PUT IN THE POCKET ON OLYMPIC SIGNS ON THE DOORS!

 To: _____ You deserve a GOLD medal because... From: _____	 To: _____ You deserve a GOLD medal because... From: _____
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How can you help during Teacher Appreciation Month?

Candy Gram Volunteer Sign Up

Help fundraise for your PTO by volunteering an hour and 15 minutes of your time in the MVMS Cafe during 2/7-2/11!

[Candy Gram Volunteers!](#)

Spirit Wear Store

Check out FIDGETYFAN for all your spirit wear needs.

<https://fidgetyfan.com/pages/mtvernonschools>

PTO Meetings

Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 6 PM in Marauder Hall.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions please email mtvernonmiddleschoolpto@gmail.com

Athletics

Athletic Participation Requirements

Anyone interested in trying out for an athletic team is required to complete and submit to the Athletic office the [IHSAA Sports Physical](#) and [Final Forms](#) prior to tryouts.

MV High School Cheer Open Gym

Who: any 8th - 11th grader interested in trying out for the 2022-23 Cheer season

When: February 8th, 15th, and 22nd

Time: after school until 5:30

Where: High school balcony in main gym

Must have Sports Physical and Final Forms on file before attending open gym

Contact jordan.sell@mvcsc.k12.in.us with any questions

Attendance at MVHS Athletic Events

Please read the information [HERE](#) regarding attendance at Mt. Vernon High School athletic events.

Homework Help

The MVMS Kitchen Table (aka Homework Help Club) is available Tuesday's after school for any student trying to recover from absences, get extra help with challenging concepts, or find assistance preparing for upcoming tests. Students report to Mr. Crouch's classroom immediately after school until 4:30pm. Please plan to pick up your student at 4:30 pm at the Main Entrance to MVMS.

Reporting an Absence

If your student will be absent from school please notify us by one of the following methods:

- Call the attendance line at 317-485-3160 (available 24/7)
- Email elizabeth.blunk@mvcsc.k12.in.us

Daily News

Daily announcements can be found [HERE](#).

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

February 2nd- 8th Grade Curriculum Night at MVHS- 6:30 - 8:00 pm

February 7th- No School for Students, Teacher Work Day