

NOVEMBER 2023



# Mountainside News



## FROM THE DESK OF MR. HARE

Happy November! I cannot believe that we are entering the 3rd month of the school year and are quickly approaching the 25% mark of the school year. Many great things are happening every day at Mountainside and we still have so many memories to make this year. It's never a dull moment!

Thursday, November 9th, is the last day of the first quarter. For most students, this will be a checkpoint in their year as they won't switch classes until semester. However, our 6th grade students that are enrolled in general electives will be rotating to their next class on Monday, November 13th. This 9-week mark is a good time to check on your student's progress. Please, sit down with them and log into PowerSchool and check their grades and check their missing assignments together. We have found that missing school and missing assignments contribute the most to lower grades that we see at middle school. Need help logging in? Please contact Sheila Warne at (509)465-7427.

8th grade parents, you should have heard from your student about the job shadow experience coming up. If you haven't, please ask your child ASAP! This is an awesome opportunity for students to explore a career that they are interested in and is oftentimes one of the biggest highlights from a student's middle school experience. If you have any questions, please reach out directly to their science teacher.

Lastly, I would like to wish your family a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. I hope the extended weekend is full of family, friends, and maybe some good food!

## What's Going On At MMS?

Thursday, 11/2  
Jazz Band Night  
@ MSHS 7pm

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Friday, 11/3  
Picture Retake Day

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Tuesday, 11/7  
Don't Forget to Vote

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Thursday, 11/9  
Veterans Day Assembly 9am

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Friday, 11/10  
Veterans Day Observed  
No School

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Friday, 11/17  
8th Job Shadow Day

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Wed. 11/22 - Fri. 11/24  
Thanksgiving Break  
No School

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Wednesday, 11/29  
1st Quarter PRIDE Reward  
During Lunches

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Wednesday, 11/29  
Beginning Band Concert  
@MMS 7pm

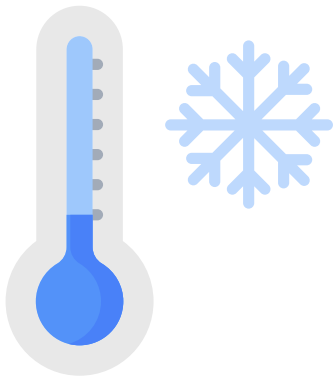


## VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY

As is our tradition, we will have an our Veterans Day assembly to honor the men and women who have fought for our freedoms. We are excited to have our choir perform, a selection of Veterans Day poetry read, and the opportunity to honor the many veterans that are connected to Mountainside Middle School. Our presentation will be on Thursday, November 9th at 9am. If a veteran in your family is available, we would love for them to attend our assembly. Please reach out to Kristi Amend ([kristi.amend@mead354.org](mailto:kristi.amend@mead354.org)) for information.



## COLD WEATHER PROCEDURES



With the temperatures dropping quickly, we wanted to remind you of our cold weather procedures for the morning. Our policies mirror the elementary in that we will keep students outside until 7:47am if the temperature is 20 degrees or above (we use the “feels like” temp.). Once it drops below that or if it is raining or snowing heavily, we will bring students inside. Remember, breakfast is served every day at 7:35am! Please help remind your middle schooler to dress warm for the mornings!

## FUND RUN WRAP UP

Our 2023 Fund Run was a huge success! Students raised over \$53,000 and many many prizes were handed out over the two weeks. This money will go to support our various clubs, sports, rewards programs, and music programs. A huge thank you to the Mountainside community for your generous support. We couldn't do it without you!



## CLUBS AT MOUNTAINSIDE

We believe that a student's education is a more full experience when they get involved beyond their 6-period class day. Currently, Mountainside has clubs that have begun. Encourage your child to get involved and have them reach out to the advisors if they have any questions. You can also find an updated club list with expanded descriptions on our website by [\[clicking here\]](#).

- Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)
  - Meets every other Friday morning.
- Game Club
  - Meets every other Tuesday afternoon.
- Math is Cool
  - Meets every Friday morning.
- PRISM Club
  - Meets every other Thursday afternoon
- More to come!





Look for the picture of our Character Trait winners on our Facebook page and website each month!



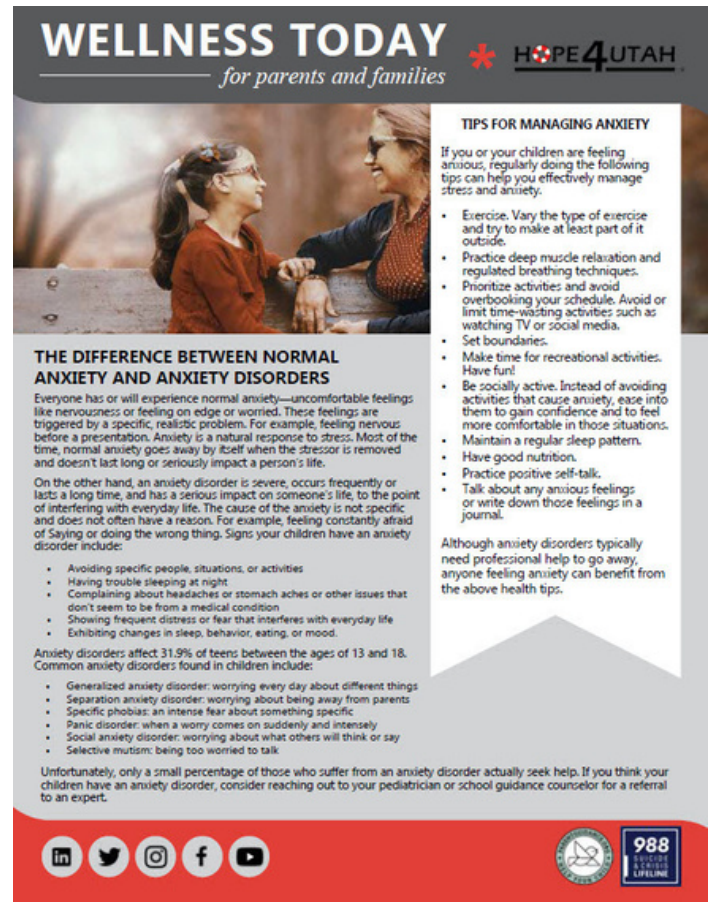
Picture retake day is Friday, November 3rd. Students that were absent on the original picture day will get theirs taken. If you want retakes, bring your pictures to exchange with the photographer!



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