

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

# BUCCANEER

# BULLETIN

JANUARY 2025

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## JANUARY

|    |                                                        |
|----|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 24 | END OF MP2                                             |
| 25 | ML OLYMPICS                                            |
| 27 | PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT<br>- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS   |
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| 29 | YEAR ROUND SPANISH READING<br>- MILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY |

## FEBRUARY

|     |                                                      |
|-----|------------------------------------------------------|
| 3-7 | SCHOOL COUNSELORS WEEK                               |
| 10  | PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT<br>- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS |
| 12  | MECC, RES, MES PTP MEETINGS                          |
| 15  | NATIONAL SRO DAY                                     |
| 17  | DISTRICT CLOSED -<br>PRESIDENTS DAY                  |
| 24  | BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING                           |

## MONTH LONG RECOGNITIONS

BLACK HISTORY MONTH  
CTE MONTH  
CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH  
I LOVE THE BUS MONTH



# WE BELIEVE...

**We believe the foundation of excellence is rooted in an academically rigorous curriculum, supportive instruction, and high expectations for each learner**



MCA student took the opportunity to teach Governor-elect Meyer about the Pythagorean Theory.

**We believe in ensuring that each student has equitable access to the appropriate resources and supports to thrive.**



Ms. Bontrager Thomas and Ms. Holleger's class were awarded \$1000 from Hertrich'sa Cash for Class to help with their peanut-butter and jelly community service project.

**We believe in the mindset that improvement is always possible and mistakes are learning opportunities.**



Music/Arts Department working together during Professional Development.

**We believe honoring each individual's identity, opinions, and dignity leads to a sense of belonging for each member of the school community.**



Ross Elementary and Special Olympics Delaware recognize and celebrate Bocce Ball players

**We believe the district's partnerships with families and community are integral to the success of our students and community at large.**



Mispillion students enjoyed "Snow Much Fun" day. Pictured is Ms. Hammel's class doing a craft with their families.

**We believe the arts, extra-curricular, and co-curricular activities are integral components of a well-rounded education, fostering much personal growth.**



Mispillion Elementary choir performing their winter concert to a packed gymnasium.

# STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS:



This week, **Ms. B** and **Ms. Holleger's** Life Skills class made 115 PB&J's. So far, we have made 1,736 PB&J's this school year!



Seven Milford High School students were among a small number of students across the state able to attend Delaware's Electoral College Meeting on Tuesday Dec. 17th in Dover. Students were able to learn some history about the electoral college prior to watching our state electors formally cast their votes for the 2024 Presidential election! Students in attendance included:  
Seniors: **Ricardo Bruinton, Megan Johnson, Kara Sivels**  
Juniors: **Ameiah Bruce** and **Zennaya Davis**  
Sophomores: **Julienne Combs** and **Anne Pierre**



**MCA Student Government**, under the guidance of **Ms. Laise**, hosted a question-and-answer forum with Governor Meyer.



# STAFF SPOTLIGHT



## GOVERNOR-ELECT VISITS MCA

We had the opportunity to host Governor-elect Matt Meyer. We toured classrooms across grades 6-8, engaging with students in a variety of subjects, including Mrs. Conaway's 6th-grade math class, Mr. McNulty's 7th-grade social studies class, Dr. McKee and Ms. Gorrin's 8th-grade ELA class, and 8th-grade science with Mr. Metz. Throughout the visit, he actively participated in classroom discussions, offering support and explanations to students as they explored topics such as the Pythagorean theorem, the ins and outs of jury duty, the importance of reading, and the science of sound waves.

## HERTRICH'S CASH FOR CLASS WINNERS

The Hertrich Family of Automobile Dealerships has selected SIX MSD teachers Cash for Class!

- Diana Dill - \$1,000 for "Just Right Flexible Seating"
- Tenesha Duffy - \$1,000 for "School Store"
- Chistina McConnell \$1,000 for "We Need Seats"
- Stephany Vecchiolli \$1,000 for "Non-Fiction Books for Early Readers"
- Daniel Huffman \$1,000 for "Wanted: Sofa Tables"
- Louise Holleger-Thomas \$1,000 for "Peanut Butter & Jelly Community Service Project"





Click the photos to  
learn more about  
our treasures!



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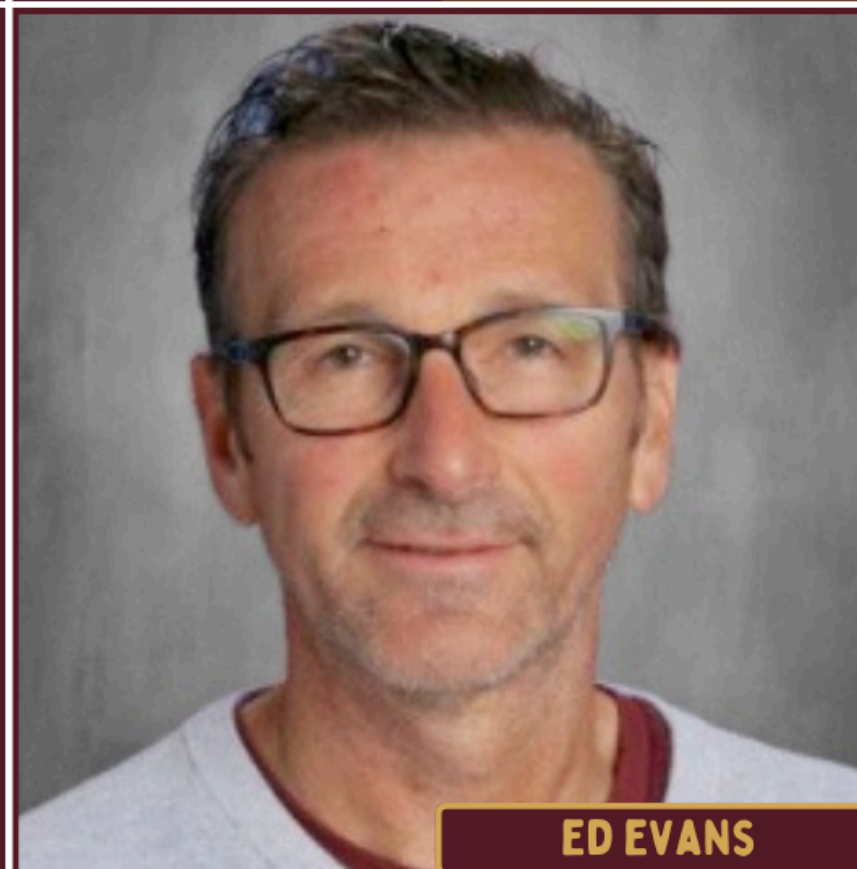
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TREASURE HERE:



# MSD SPOTLIGHT



Adam Brownstein



Matt Bucher, Vice President



Ashlee Connell



Victor "Butch" Elzey



Scott Fitzgerald, President



Jen Massotti



Jean Wylie

## SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

SY24-25

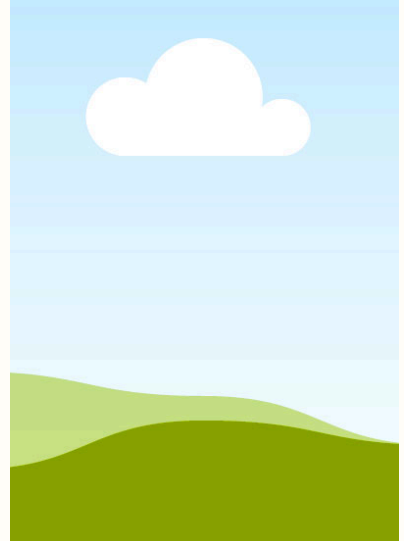


### BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS TEAM FOR DIGGING US OUT

Shoutout to our amazing Buildings and Grounds Team! They are hard at work clearing out our parking lots, entrances, and sidewalks to ensure our schools are safe and ready for students and staff.



# SANTA'S WORKSHOP



A classic Milford tradition - kindergarten and local pre-k students experience the magic of the holidays!



# BUCCANEER SPORTS

## WINTER SPORTS INFORMATION

Winter Sports begin on November 11th. All student-athletes must have an updated physical on file to be able to participate. Please continue checking the website over the coming days for updates regarding tryout times/locations.

Physicals: A reminder, all student-athletes MUST have a DIAA Physical on file that was completed ON or AFTER April 1, 2024. To access the 2024-2025 Athletic Physical and Consent Forms packet, please visit the following link: [2024-2025 Athletic Physical and Consent Forms Packet](#)

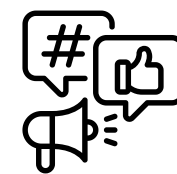
### TICKETS:

Tickets can be purchased using this link: [GoFan](#)  
(Please note that cash will not be accepted at the gate)



Congratulations to **Jahmar Austin** for securing a second place finish in Pole Vault and **Amani May** for finishing third in the 55-meter hurdles during yesterday's Cape Henlopen Conference Championship.

Check out our Official Buccaneer Sports Socials!  
Instagram: [milfordbucsathletics](#)  
Twitter: [@MHSBucsSports](#)



# COMMUNITY PARTNERS

## REFORMATION LUTHERAN CHURCH



Thank you to our friends, **Pastors Eric and Paige Evers** and the **Reformation Lutheran Church** community for their generous donation to our Team Milford Initiative.

We recognize that the success of our students relies on the dedication and talent of the individuals who serve them. Our Team Milford initiative aims to Empower and Invest in Our People.

# WE ARE HIRING!



- COMPETITIVE PAY
- GREAT WORK ENVIRONMENT
- HEALTH BENEFITS
- FULL TIME & PART TIME

APPLY ONLINE  
NOW!



[MILFORDSCHOOLDISTRICT.ORG/JOINUS](https://MILFORDSCHOOLDISTRICT.ORG/JOINUS)

JOIN  
OUR  
TEAM



# SAVE THE DATES!

 **2024-2025 YEAR ROUND SPANISH READING**

Kindergarten - 5th Grade reading sessions for immersion and multilingual students!  
Grades 6th to 8th are welcome to explore the library and immerse in reading at their own discretion!

The Milford School District and the Milford Public Library are teaming up to support our Spanish Dual Language Immersion and multilingual students. This program helps strengthen first and second language skills with fun activities in reading, listening, and speaking. Students can join their teachers and friends once a month at the Milford Public Library. Please see the schedule below.

**2024-2025 Schedule**  
**5:30 - 6:30 PM**

Meet at the Milford Public Library Children's Library (downstairs)

**September 25**  
**October 30**  
**November 20**  
**December 18**  
**January 29**  
**February 26**  
**March 26**  
**April 30**  
**May 28**

Questions? Contact:  
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Register now to secure your child's spot



WE ARE MILFORD DAY  
BELIEVE IN OUR COMMUNITY,  
BELIEVE IN OUR FUTURE.

# SAVE THE DATE

**APRIL 5 2025**

## Save The Date

*Prom 2025*

# 05.17.25

*Bally's*

**\$60 PER GUEST OR \$100 COUPLE**

*Includes:*

- Formal Promenade
- Full-Service Dinner
- Dancing
- Photography
- Prizes



