



Mountainside News



What's Going On At MMS?

Tuesday, 3/4
MSHS/MMS Jazz Night
@ MSHS 7pm

Wed., 3/5 - Mon., 3/10
6th & 7th Registration

Mon., 3/10 - Fri., 3/14
Book Fair in Library

Wednesday, 3/12
Grandparent/Important Adult
Day 7:15am-8:15am

Wednesday, 3/12
Beg. Band Concert @ MMS
7pm

Tuesday, 3/18
Band Concert @ MMS
7pm

Friday, 3/21
No School
Learning Improvement Day

Monday, 3/24
Choir Concert @ MMS
7pm

Wednesday, 3/26
Orchestra Concert @ MSHS
7pm

FROM THE DESK OF MR. HARE

March is here, and it feels like spring is just around the corner! This is always a busy time at Mountainside as we navigate the registration process for next year, hold ASB officer elections, enjoy music concerts and festivals, host the book fair, celebrate College Week, and so much more!

A special highlight this month is the opportunity to recognize our Education Support Professionals. Our classified staff—including office staff, paraeducators, custodians, cooks, nurses, and bus drivers—are truly the backbone of our school. They do so much for Mountainside and our community, and we encourage students to show their appreciation with a simple “thank you” or a positive note. A small gesture can go a long way!

Additionally, we've noticed that some students are struggling to stay on track this semester, with more missing assignments and lower grades than we would like at this stage. We need your help! If you haven't checked your child's grades recently, please log in to PowerSchool and do so. If you need assistance, contact Sheila Warne at (509) 465-7427. Remember, Academic Assistance is available every Tuesday and Thursday after school from 2:30–4:00 p.m. and students can also sign up for a specific class during Access Time on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We regularly remind students about these resources, but a little encouragement from home can make a big difference.

Finally, thank you for your continued support of Mountainside. Your partnership makes all the difference in helping our students thrive!

GRANDPARENT OR IMPORTANT ADULT DAY

We're thrilled to host Grandparent or Any Important Adult in Your Life Day at Mountainside! On Wednesday, March 12th, we welcome our special guests to join their student for a morning of connection and fun. Enjoy donuts and refreshments, listen to beautiful music from the MMS Jazz Band and Choirs, capture memories at the photo booth, explore the Book Fair, and take a tour of the school. The event runs from 7:15 AM to 8:15 AM (on a late-start day), giving families a special opportunity to spend time together. We're grateful to Fairwinds Senior Living Center for partnering with us once again to make this event possible!



THE BOOK FAIR IS BACK!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming the week of March 10th! Let your child explore and choose books that inspire a love of reading—plus, every purchase benefits our school. Say goodbye to cash with eWallet, a digital payment option that family and friends can contribute to. Can't attend in person? Shop online, with free shipping on book orders over \$25. Visit our [\[Book Fair homepage\]](#) to learn more. Happy reading!



TRACK AND FIELD AND BASEBALL UP NEXT

8th grade basketball is in full swing, but we want to draw your attention to the next sports seasons at Mountainside. 6th/7th/8th Track and Field and 7th/8th Baseball begins right after Spring Break on April 14th. It's not too early to sign up. Questions? Please reach out to our AD, [Ryan Henderson](#).



BUY A YEARBOOK, WIN A PRIZE!

Our yearbooks are still on sale! They are now \$30 and are a "must have" for students. Every student that purchases a yearbook by Friday, March 21st will be entered into a drawing for a Yearbook Prize Pack. The pack will be filled with sweet treats, gift cards, and more! You can purchase in our business office or [\[online\]](#).



Our Hope Squad, [\[click here\]](#) for more information, continues to do awesome work in our building spreading awareness about the challenges of mental health. Here they are with March's family challenges on "Connection." [\[Click here\]](#) for the challenges and we are eager to hear how they go!



DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN SEE YOUR CHILD'S GRADES AT ANY TIME?

[\[CLICK HERE\]](#) TO ACCESS POWERSCHOOL.

NEED ASSISTANCE? CALL MS. SHEILA WARNE AT 509.465.7427.



**LEARNING IMPROVEMENT DAY
NO SCHOOL
FRI, 3/21**

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



CURRENT CLUBS @ MMS

(Click the Title To Email the Advisor for Information)

Academic Assistance - Every Tuesday and Thursday 2:30-4:00

Game Club - Every Other Tuesday 2:30-5:00

Keepin' It Old School (Arts and Crafts) - Every Other Wednesday 2:30-5:00

Math is Cool Club - Every Friday 6:50am

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) - Every Other Friday 6:50am

Guitar Club - Every Wednesday Through March 2:30-5:00

ToothSavers in-school dental program is coming to your school!

Dental disease results in **51 million lost school hours every year!** Help your students get the dental care they deserve to keep them healthy and in the classroom.

Hand out the dental permission forms TODAY.
Ask your students to take the form home and bring the completed signed form back tomorrow. Remind them of the importance of good dental care. Collect and return the dental consent forms to your school nurse or dental coordinator.

Make sure your parents know we're coming.
Distribute the permission forms in your weekly take-home folders. Remind your parents in your weekly email/newsletter/blog.

Promote the online sign up option.
Let your parents know they have the option to sign up their child online at www.MySchoolDentist.com

ToothSavers™

Thank you for your support and for caring about the health of your students.
You truly make a difference!
Questions? 888.833.8441

Playing Baseball?
Buy your hats now in the Business Office or [online] for \$25. Please note our hats are required for all our players!

CATS RUN WILD 5K

April 27 Runs start at 1pm

AND FUTURE CATS

1 1/2 MILE

\$25 (kids 10&under \$12)
Sign up today and help support Mt Spokane Athletics

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WE NEED YOUR HELP IN OUR PARKING LOT!



If you are a parent that either drops your student off or picks them up, please take a moment to read through our parking lot procedures. Ultimately, our primary goal is student safety and we want to ensure Day Mt. Spokane Road isn't completely backed up. We need your help and your patience...thank you!

BEFORE SCHOOL

- Please pull forward past the cones to drop your student off. Please have your student wait to get out of the car until you can pull as forward as possible (toward the end of the courtyard).
- If you are having your child wait in the car and not immediately exit your vehicle, please pull into a spot. Do not idle in the drop-off area in the mornings.
- Once you have dropped your student off, please do not cut through parking spaces to exit our parking lot.

AFTER SCHOOL

- Please pull completely forward toward the end of the courtyard (or further!).
- Do not wait at the red curbing or cones AND please do not pick up your student at the red curbing or the cones. If there is no room along the sidewalk by the courtyard, please pull into a parking spot and wait for your student there. This alleviates the backup onto Day Mt. Spokane Road.
- Once you've picked up your student, please do not cut through parking spaces to exit our parking lot.

THANK YOU!