MAY 2025

Mountainside News



FROM THE DESK OF MR. HARE

We have officially reached the month of May and only have a little over 6 weeks left in the school year. As the months have gone by, it's been exciting to witness all the physical, social, and emotional growth in our students. As they begin looking ahead to the next level of their education, it's valuable to pause and appreciate how far we've come together.

May is one of the busiest months on the school calendar. Spring sports are in full swing, state testing is beginning, our band is preparing to march through the streets of Spokane, music programs are rehearsing for their final concerts, clubs are wrapping up their activities, and the talent show is coming together—just to name a few. With all of this excitement, we continue to remind students to finish strong.

State testing will begin on Tuesday, May 6th. It's important that students come to school with a fully charged Chromebook each day. We also recommend a good night's sleep and a solid breakfast to help them do their best. As always, breakfast is free at MMS!

Lastly, next week is Staff Appreciation Week. I want to take a moment to celebrate our amazing staff here at MMS. They are truly the most hard-working, student-centered group of educators, and I feel incredibly fortunate to work alongside them each day. Please encourage your student to thank our staff for all they do!

As always, thank you for partnering with us on your child's education. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

What's Going On At MMS?

Mon., 5/5 - Fri., 5/9
Staff Appreciation Week

Tuesday, 5/6
SBA Testing Begins

Saturday, 5/10
Junior Lilac Parade

Monday, 5/12
6th Basketball Begins

Friday, 5/16
DLC Field Day
@ Union Stadium

Friday, 5/23
Snow Make-Up Day
No School

Monday, 5/26
Memorial Day
No School

Thursday, 5/29
Hope Squad Family Night
5:00pm

Friday, 5/30
8th Grade Dance
Union Event Center
6:30pm - 8:00pm

JUNIOR LILAC PARADE COMING UP

Our award winning band will be marching in the Junior Lilac Parade on Saturday, May 10th. Our marching band looks to repeat our amazing "First Place" performance from last year. If you live close to MMS, you will likely hear or see our band marching in your neighborhood to practice. Please, let your neighbors with non-MMS students know as well. Thank you for your patience and understanding as our band may briefly block some roadways! Our practice schedule is as follows:



Thursday, May 1st--10:30am - 12:15pm
Wednesday, May 7th--8:35am - 10:30am
Friday, May 9th--12:30pm - 2:30pm

LESS THAN 200 YEARBOOKS LEFT!

Our yearbooks are still on sale, but time is running out! They are on sale for $30 and are a "must have" for students. We have less than 200 yearbooks left to sell and once they're gone, they're gone! You can purchase in our business office or [online].

8TH GRADE DANCE-FRIDAY, MAY 30TH



As you may have heard from your student, Mountainside is going to hold our 4th Annual 8th Grade Dance on Friday, May 30th. Historically, our students have had a great time at this event and we are hoping for another great experience for our 8th graders as they wrap up their middle school experience. We will send more information as the event gets closer, but here are some important items to know right now:

- The dance will be held at the Union Event Center (behind Union Stadium) from 6:30pm-8:30pm.
- It is open to current Mountainside 8th graders only.
- The cost to attend is $10. If this amount will prohibit your student from attending, please let us know. We want to give all 8th grade students the opportunity to attend. **Tickets go on sale in our business office on May 12th.**
- The dress code for the event is "Dressy-Casual." Some students are eager to dress up and some want to come in their typical school clothing...both are perfectly fine!
- Yes, we'd love chaperones, even though your student may not! Keep an eye out for a request via email with other important end-of-year information for 8th grade families. It will be going out soon!

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 May's family challenges on "Courage." [Click here] for the challenges!

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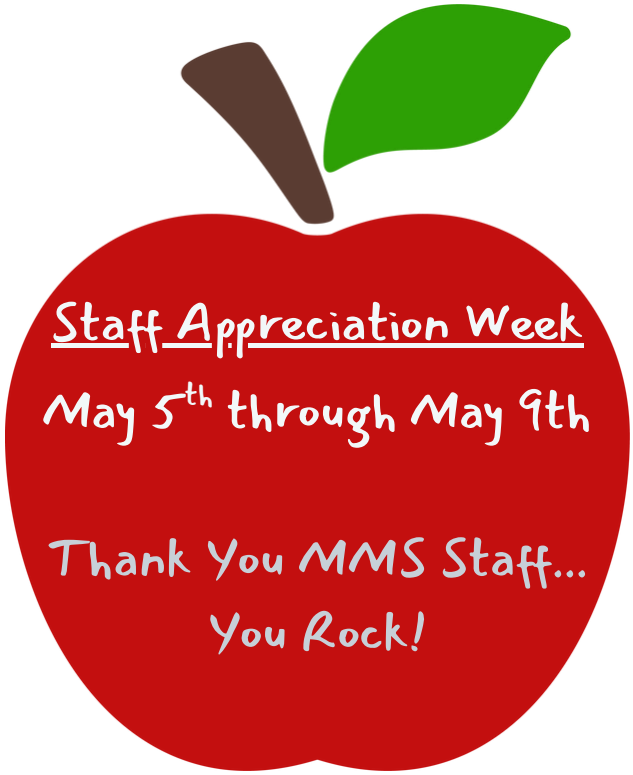
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Look for the picture of our Character Trait winners on our Facebook page and website each month!



6th Grade Basketball Begins Monday, 5/12





No School on Friday, May 23rd and Monday, May 26th

5/23 is Snow Day Make-Up

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