



McGraw Minutes

Issue #29 May 22, 2026

A Note From Mrs. Shaw...

McGraw Families,

We want to sincerely thank our PTO for sponsoring Mr. Drew and His Animals, Too. Mr. Drew visited McGraw and was a big hit with our students. Students experienced seeing real insects, arachnids, and reptiles and learned A LOT about them. We appreciate our PTO community for enriching the school experience for our students!





The Last Day of School is June 11. It is an Early Release Day @ 12:05p.

PBIS Climate Survey for Kindergarten and First Grade Families

It's that time of year when we invite families to participate in the PBIS Climate Survey. The purpose of the survey is to collect data on how families experience the school's culture and provide input to guide improvement, particularly for ensuring equitable representation and two-way communication. The survey measures perceptions of safety, respect, school-family communication, and engagement in school-wide positive behavior support systems. The window is open now and will remain open until May 22.

This link is for **Kindergarten and First Grade families**:

<https://assessment.pbisapps.org/Anon/omy104vyXC00>

A link for Pre-K families will be emailed separately.

RSU22's Compliance with the New State of Maine "Bell-to-Bell" Law



May 22, 2026

Dear RSU 22 Community,

As we continue to focus on providing the best possible learning environment for our students, our administrative team would like to provide you with advance notice regarding an important change that will take effect beginning in the fall of the upcoming school year within RSU 22.

In alignment with the State of Maine's new "bell-to-bell" law regarding personal electronic devices in schools, our district must implement a new personal electronic device policy. ***This policy will restrict the usage of all personal electronic devices in all RSU 22 schools beginning with the start of school in 2026-2027.*** The purpose of this change is not only to adhere to the new law, but also to support student learning, increase engagement in the classroom, minimize distractions during the school day, and promote positive social interaction among students.

This policy will apply to all personal electronic devices including, but not limited to:

- Cell phones
- Smart watches
- Tablets
- Personal laptops
- Other personal electronic devices with internet or cellular network capabilities

Additional details regarding the expectations, procedures, and implementation of this policy will be shared with families and students prior to the start of the school year. Our goal is to ensure that all students and families clearly understand the expectations and the reasons behind this change.

We recognize that personal technology has become a significant part of everyday life, and we appreciate your partnership and support as we work together to uphold the law and create an environment that prioritizes student learning, focus, and well-being throughout the school day.

Thank you for your continued support of our schools, our staff, and most importantly, the students within our district. We greatly value our partnership with families and look forward to a successful conclusion to our current school year as well as our school year ahead. If you have any questions related to your child's needs related to this new change, please reach out to your child's principal and they will be happy to speak with you.

Sincerely,

Nick Raymond

Committed to the optimal learning of all students

Critical Thinking • Perseverance • Collaboration • Effective Communication • Problem Solving

End of Year Library Book Collection

As we come to the final weeks of the school year, it is time to return the school library books. We would love to have all the books back in the library the first week of June. Please watch for notices about missing books in your child's folder.



Field Day Volunteer Sign Up (June 8)

If you are an **approved volunteer** and would like to help with field day, please sign up here!

MCGRAW FIELD DAY

Please sign up!

Scan this code with your smartphone camera now:



We're using SignUp (the leading online signup and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming activity.

Please sign up for McGraw Field Day!

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on SignUp: <https://signup.com/go/yPxfGCL>
 2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp)
 3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - SignUp will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!
- Note: SignUp does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.



RSU 22 FY27 Proposed Budget – Stay Informed & Get Involved!

Please click here to view the **May 13, 2026** RSU 22 Board Budget Workshop Meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mmhbzgZVx8o>

Documentation for all meetings can be found here: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1iXYDRA5hMOFiTs_tnHZHXrB6ZSzsSk4tq

The FY27 Budget Presentation can be found here:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1QKWNSQnezG1qusRcNw7EMKKw9gtubq8P>

Your voice matters—**stay informed, ask questions, and be part of the process!**

A Note From Nurse Adams...

Dear McGraw Families,

As we begin to prepare for the end of the school year, I wanted to send you a few health office reminders:

Medication Pick-Up

- If your child receives or has medications/medical items stored at school, please make arrangements with me to have them picked up.
- For inhalers, spacers, EpiPens, and Benadryl only- these items may be sent home with your child on the last day of school if prior arrangements are made.
- All other medications and items must be picked up by a parent or guardian. Anything not picked up by 3:00 pm on Friday, June 12th, will be disposed of per protocol.
- Arrangements can be made with me via email at nadams@rsu22.us or by phone at (207) 862-3830.

Sunscreen and Insect Repellent

-We do not typically apply or supply sunscreen or insect repellent to students during the school day. If you wish for your student to wear these items, please apply them in the morning prior to sending them to school or make arrangements with your child's teacher.

Dressing for the Weather

- This time of year the mornings tend to be cool and the afternoons warmer. It is best to dress your child in clothing appropriate for warmer weather and add layers. Shorts with a sweatshirt for example. You may also send a change of clothes in your child's backpack. We all know how unpredictable Maine weather can be.
- Please send your child to school in proper footwear and clothing for running and playing outside. Sneakers are preferred for safety reasons.

With the warmer weather come ticks, particularly from spring to early Fall

Ticks are most active during the warmer months, and it's important to take precautions to protect yourself and your family from potential tick bites and the diseases they can transmit.

tick removal

Remove ticks immediately. They usually need to attach for 24 hours to transmit Lyme disease. Consult a physician if you remove an engorged deer tick.



Using a tick spoon:

- Place the wide part of the notch on the skin near the tick (hold skin taut if necessary)
- Applying slight pressure downward on the skin, slide the remover forward so the small part of the notch is framing the tick
- Continuous sliding motion of the remover detaches the tick

Using tweezers:

- Grasp the tick close to the skin with tweezers
- Pull gently until the tick lets go

1-800-821-5821

www.mainepublichealth.gov



tick ID

KNOW THEM. PREVENT THEM.



Deer Tick (Black-Legged Tick)

nymph adult male adult female

(actual size)

nymph (1/32"-1/16") adult (1/8") engorged adult (up to 1/2")



Dog Tick

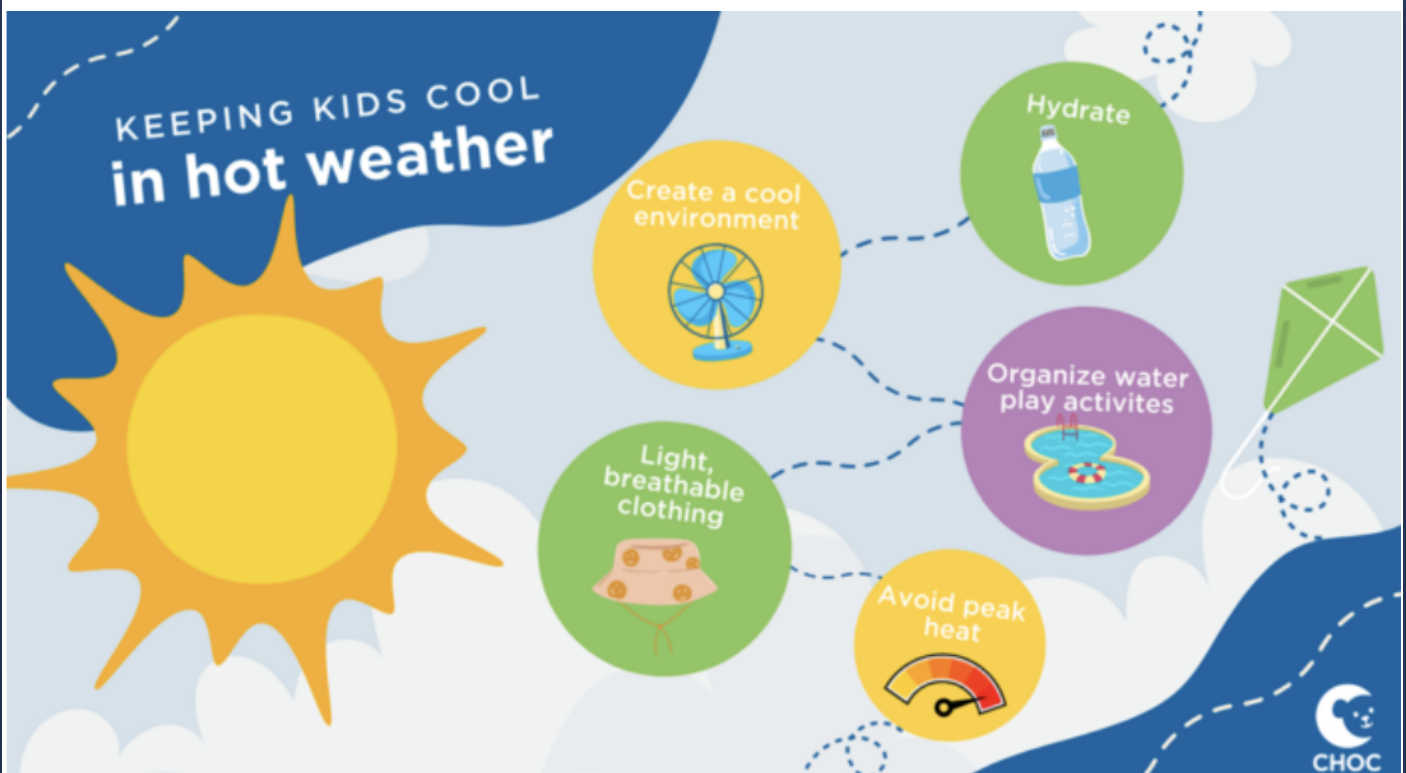
adult male adult female

(examples are not actual size, dog tick nymphs are rarely found on humans or their pets)



Staying Safe in Warmer Weather

- Always make your child wear a helmet when riding a bike, rollerblading/skating, riding and ATV, or other similar activities
 - Always make your child wear a life jacket when boating, kayaking, or other water related activities
 - Apply sunscreen and insect repellent to avoid sunburns and insect bites
 - Stay hydrated and watch for signs of heat exhaustions
 - Let the nurse know of any restrictions your child may have related to injuries/procedures/surgeries.
- Provide a doctor's note so your student may be excused from activities and PE if necessary.



Heat Exhaustion

Heat Stroke

ACT FAST

- Move to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing
- Sip cool water
- Seek medical help if symptoms don't improve

Dizziness

Thirst

Heavy Sweating

Nausea

Weakness



Confusion

Dizziness

Becomes Unconscious

ACT FAST

CALL 911

- Move person to a cooler area
- Loosen clothing and remove extra layers
- Cool with water or ice

Heat exhaustion can lead to heat stroke.

Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.



Stay Cool, Stay Hydrated, Stay Informed!



McGraw School Office

School Hours

8:30a- 3:00p

If you need to contact the office...

Office Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

call: 207.862.3830

email: mcgrawoffice@rsu22.us (all dismissal/absence communication)

fax: 207.862.5649

visit: 20 Main Rd. N. Hampden, ME 04444

McGraw Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Nason, knason@rsu22.us

McGraw Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Paradis, dparadis@rsu22.us

Principal: Mrs. Shaw, shannonshaw@rsu22.us

School Nurse: Mrs. Adams, nadams@rsu22.us

School Counselor: Mrs. Erickson, merickson@rsu22.us

McGraw Website

Upcoming Dates:












Watch this list carefully, as we will be adding events throughout the spring!

- 5/18-6/5 Bikes for Books Reading Challenge
- 5/20 Special Olympics
- **5/22 Early Release Day @ 12:05p**
- 5/22 Mr. Drew and His Animals, Too!
- **5/25 No School - Memorial Day Holiday**
- 5/26 - 5/29 Scholastic Book Fair
- 5/30 End of Year Party (Sponsored by PTO) and Family Book Fair Event
- 6/8 Field Day & Family Picnic
- **6/11 Last Day of School (Early Dismissal @ 12:05p)**



Calendars

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	F	A	B	C	D	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	E	F	A	B	C	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	D	E	F	A	Early Dismissal at 12:05pm No Letter Day	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	NO SCHOOL In Observance of Memorial Day	B	C	D	E	
31	1	2	3	4	5	

School Meals with a Milk are offered at NO CHARGE Milk for Home Lunch \$0.55		McGraw / Weatherbee May Lunch Menu			Breakfast Entrée or Cereal Fruit, Juice, Milk
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
RSU 22 Wins State Competition The Farm to School Cook-Off is sponsored by the Maine Child Nutrition Program, and challenges school food service teams to create a hot lunch and breakfast item that meets nutritional standards and features items that are made in 				Maine. RSU 22 chefs wowed judges with a beef and cheese burrito and breakfast parfait, which are both served in our schools. Congratulations to Chef Manager Hannah Liberty and Kitchen Manager Brenda White, pictured here with Nutrition Director Pete Merritt.	Pizza <i>Chef's Choice Toppings</i> Salad & Fruit Bar
4	5	6	7	8	
Chicken Nuggets Goldfish Crackers  Salad & Fruit Bar	Pancakes Maine Blueberries Maple Syrup Sausage Salad & Fruit Bar	Nachos <i>with Beef & Cheese & Toppings</i>  Salad & Fruit Bar	Hamburger Cheeseburger Tater Tots Salad & Fruit Bar	Pizza <i>Chef's Choice Toppings</i> Salad & Fruit Bar	
11	12	13	14	15	
Chicken Burger Smiley Potatoes  Salad & Fruit Bar	Pasta Bake Breadsticks  Salad & Fruit Bar	Meatball Sub French Fries Salad & Fruit Bar	Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup  Salad & Fruit Bar	Pizza <i>Chef's Choice Toppings</i> Salad & Fruit Bar	
18	19	20	21	22	
Chicken Tenders French Fries Goldfish Crackers Salad & Fruit Bar	Beef & Cheese Burrito Fiesta Salad Salsa Salad & Fruit Bar	Breakfast Sandwich with Ham, Egg, & Cheese Hashbrown Salad & Fruit Bar	Pizza <i>Chef's Choice Toppings</i> Salad & Fruit Bar	Early Dismissal Bag Lunch	
25	26	27	28	29	
Memorial Day <i>No School</i> 	Hot Dog & French Fries  Salad & Fruit Bar	French Toast Sticks Maple Syrup Sausage Salad & Fruit Bar	Shepherd's Pie Garlic Knot Salad & Fruit Bar	Pizza <i>Chef's Choice Toppings</i> Salad & Fruit Bar	
<i>Alternate Menu Choices - Peanut Butter & Jelly Meal and Daily Chef's Special</i>					
Harvest of the Month Blueberries Maine is the worlds largest producer of wild blueberries	Fruit & Salad Bar Always Offered 	Menu Subject to Change This institution is an equal opportunity provider	 Did You Know?  Memorial Day originated after the Civil War, as a way to honor fallen soldiers. It was known as Decoration Day. It now serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by all American service members and their families.		

RSU22 2025-2026 School Calendar

RSU #22: 2025-26 School Calendar

August					
M	T	W	Th	F	
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September					
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February					
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June					
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School Year
 178* Student Days
 1 Management Day
 1 Teacher Preparation Day
 4 Inservice Days
 1 Teacher Comp Day
 (* 3 storm days included)

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| August 18
August 19, 20, 21
August 21
August 22
August 25
August 26
August 27
August 28
August 28
September 2
November 26
June 7
June 11 | Fall Sports
Teacher Orientation (8/19 Sped only)
Educational Technicians start date
Teacher Prep
Management Day
Staff Inservice day
Partial Attendance (Gr 1-9 students)
Full Attendance (Gr 1-12 students)
UTC First Day
Inservice - No school
Hampden Academy Graduation
Last Student Day | Quarters Q
1 45 days
2 46 days
3 44 days
4 43 days
178 | Trimesters T
8/27/25-11/21/25 59 days
11/24/25-3/12/26 61 days
3/16/26-6/11/26 58 days
178 |
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Approved: May 21, 2025

RSU 22 2026-2027 School Calendar



COME AND JOIN OUR
END OF YEAR PARTY

McGraw School Grounds
Sat May 30th
10am-3pm

- Bounce Houses
- Book Fair
- Games
- Food Trucks



DINE FOR A CAUSE

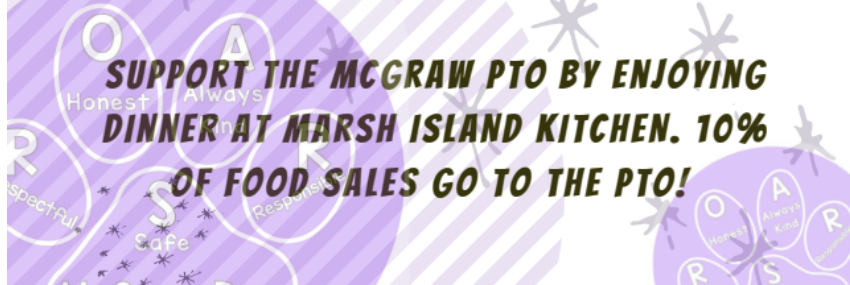


MCGRAW PTO

JUNE 4TH

4PM- 8PM

**SUPPORT THE MCGRAW PTO BY ENJOYING
DINNER AT MARSH ISLAND KITCHEN. 10%
OF FOOD SALES GO TO THE PTO!**



WHAT'S NEXT FOR THE MCGRAW PTO

**APR
10**

NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM 5:30-7:30PM

WE'VE RENTED OUT THE BANGOR CHILDRENS MUSEUM FOR A FREE FAMILY NIGHT! BRING THE KIDS AND ENJOY EXPLORING TOGETHER.

**MAY
30**

END OF YEAR PARTY 10AM-3PM

COME CELEBRATE A FANTASTIC SCHOOL YEAR WITH US! ENJOY THE BOOK FAIR, BOUNCE HOUSES, GAMES AND LOTS OF FAMILY FUN!

Thank you for supporting the PTO!
What a great year we had.
Enjoy your summer.

McGraw Bottle Drive Ongoing Fundraiser

Ways to Donate

CLYNK

- 1) Email McGrawPTO@gmail.com to get Clynk Bags sent home with your child. Please provide name, teacher's name and how many bags. They will have our Clynk Account Bag tags. Just fill the bags and bring them to the Clynk kiosk at Hannaford.
- 2) Already have a Clynk account? Login and click "Donations" scroll down, to type "McGrawPTO" into the search. Choose how much you would like to donate from your Clynk account balance.

Damon Beverage and Redemption

Located at 700 Hogan Rd in Bangor. Tell them you would like to donate your bottles to McGraw PTO once you get your slip!



Spirit Wear

If you're looking for McGraw Gear, go to our local vendor, Goodwin Glass & Graphics!

<https://www.goodwinglassandgraphics.com/product-category/mcgraw/>

Community Board

Strategic Plan 2022-2027

Four Building Blocks



1	2	3	4
Student Success	Professional Excellence	Community Partnerships	Operational Excellence
Academic Excellence & Achievement	Recruitment & Retention	Family & Community Engagement	Budget Development
Foundational Skills	Professional Development	RSU 22 Educational Foundation	Fiscal & Facilities Management
Instructional Models	Best Practices	Communication & Transparency	Comprehensive Planning
Engagement		Campus Based Services	



Shannon Shaw

Shannon is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters