



Marysville Monarchs MONTHLY

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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT Welcome Back, Monarchs

There's a certain energy in our buildings now that the school year is underway. Classrooms are full, hallways are busy, and that first-day buzz is settling into a steady daily rhythm.

This year, we're doing something a little different. We're starting a series called Let's Talk, a regular, informal way for our community to ask questions and hear directly from us, not just about programs

and events, but about the bigger picture facing our schools. You'll find more on that below.

I'm looking forward to another year of showing up for our students, together. Welcome back, and go Monarchs!

**Dr. Zack Howard, Superintendent,
Marysville Schools**

STAFF SPOTLIGHT Two Marysville Teachers Earn Prestigious Ag Education Honors

Marysville's agriculture program had a banner year. Shari Anderson was named the National Association of Agricultural Educators Region IV Outstanding Agriculture Teacher, one of just a handful of educators recognized at that level nationally. Mary Gist earned the Ohio Association of Agricultural Educators Ideas Unlimited Award for an original approach she brought into her classroom.

Anderson is no stranger to Marysville. A 2004 graduate of the district's own FFA program, she earned her degree at Ohio State and taught at Ohio Hi-Point Career Center, then came home to lead Marysville's Agricultural Science pathway. Under her leadership, the Marysville FFA chapter now ranks among the top 10 in the nation.



Shari Anderson



Mary Gist

"Shari and Mary represent the best of what our agriculture program offers our students. Recognition like this at the national level doesn't happen by accident. It's the result of years of showing up, building real programs, and helping kids see a future for themselves in agriculture."

- Dr. Zack Howard, Superintendent



COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

Let's Talk: A New Way to Stay Connected

Starting this fall, Marysville Schools is launching Let's Talk, a series of community conversations where you can ask questions, share concerns, and hear directly from district leaders. Both the Let's Talk series schedule and video series can be found on our district website under Board of Education.



**Let's
Talk**

Series for
2026-2027

MEVSD Board of Education Presents: 'Let's Talk' Series Schedule

All sessions start at 6:00 PM



Board of Education Room - 212 Chestnut St. (Door G)

DATE	TOPIC
August 6, 2026	MEVSD Permanent Improvement Plan / Facility Discussion
September 3, 2026	Inclusion of AI in the Education Setting
October 1, 2026	Student Conflict and/or Behavior Challenges
November 5, 2026	Math Framework and SB19 and Impact on Math Instruction
December 3, 2026	HS Graduation Pathways Overview
February 4, 2027	Mastery Based Learning Overview
March 4, 2027	Get to know MEVSD Human Resources
April 1, 2027	Threat Assessment and Mitigation

PART OF OUR BOARD OF EDUCATION WORK PLAN

At the first session on August 6, Dr. Howard and Treasurer Todd Johnson walked the community through the district's facilities plan, covering:

- Aging buildings at Raymond and Edgewood Elementary, some dating back to 1914
- A proposal to convert Creekview Intermediate into a second middle school rather than build a new one, saving our taxpayers millions of dollars of construction cost
- A state program that could cover the full cost of the district's next building, if the district acts within a defined window
- Growth: Marysville has added 444 students over the last 10 years and is projected to add over 900 more in the next 10

Missed it? Scan the code to watch the full session, including audience questions.



UNDERSTANDING OUR FINANCES

Our five-year forecast is out, and it shows Marysville facing a \$15 million revenue gap over the next several years. Three things are driving it. Preschool costs have grown as the district was required to take over the Harold Lewis Preschool program and enrollment continues to increase. New state property tax reform is limiting how much revenue the district can collect as property values rise. And state funding for Marysville is projected to decline by

\$3.5 million, even as our enrollment continues to grow.

None of this is about spending more. It's about revenue not keeping pace with the cost of serving our students. We'll walk through what this means for Marysville Schools in the months ahead through Let's Talk and community conversations. We hope you can join the conversation.



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