

# MCC SCHOOLS

2023 - Quarter 2 Newsletter

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#### FALL TO WINTER ... HERE WE COME

Time sure seems to fly. We just ended our first quarter of school. It sure has been busy and exciting. Our enrollment is up this year. We are currently sitting at 456 K-12 students. Last year at the end of the year we had 447 students at the end of last year. We welcomed some new staff to our team. Julie Aas - Elementary Principal, Erika Olson - Elementary Music, Michele Steien - HS Special Education, Kelly Olson - Full Time Substitute, Joni Peterson - Paraprofessional NE, Jeri Lee - Paraprofessional VE, Deb Altepeter - Head Start Paraprofessional, Shawn Donarski - Construction Careers, Michael Fiskewold - Mathematics, Lisa Herman - District Payroll/HR, Vicki Gast - Newfolden Head Cook, Chris Moering - Bus Driver.

Construction is ongoing. It sure has been exciting to see the progress. Viking Elementary kitchen was updated, the main entrance expanded and open, office addition is nearly complete, and north addition is enclosed with inside work started. We anticipate a mid to late January completion of the majority of the project. There will be a couple items left to complete in the summer after the school year. At MCC High School, the bus loop at High School and parking lot at Newfolden Elementary were completed before school started. The new gym and weightroom have walls up, roof trusses up, and the floor has been poured. The roof is currently being completed. The east classroom addition is framed and roof trusses in place. The kitchen and cafeteria walls are currently being installed. The east parking lot received its first coating of pavement. Work will continue during the winter months. There were also be ongoing work throughout next summer. So far the project has been in line with funds available for the project. If you want to track the progress, we are still posting updates on our www.build-mccstrong.org web site. We also periodically post photos and information on our school website and Facebook page.

Our football team finished its season. Their win/loss record does not reflect their growth as a team. They are a young team and learned a lot this year. They fought hard in their section loss to KCC. Our volleyball team improved their record from last year. They were the 6th seed in the subsection and upset the 3 seed Lake of the Woods in the playoffs. A loss to the 2 seed BGMR Gators ended their season. The Freeze Coop started a Cross-Country team this year. Reagan Mimnaugh earned all-conference honors in our first year of competition. They participated in section race Friday, October 27 at Bagley. We thank our coaches, our seniors, and our athletes for their dedication to the fall athletic programs.

Robotics and Trap teams are off to a successful start. Both groups have good numbers. Robotics expanded their program participating in VEX IQ this year allowing 6-8th grade to compete in a new type of competition.

Basketball Season starts this month. Girls practice starts November 13. Their first game is Tuesday, November 28 vs. Fosston @ MCC. Boys practice starts November 20. Their first game is Thursday, November 30 vs. Warroad @ TC.

#### Mark your calendar for the following events:

- No School Teacher In-Service: Monday, November 6
- Veterans' Day Program: Friday, November 10 @ 9:30 a.m. MCC High School
- No School Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 for Thanksgiving Holiday
- Viking Elementary Program: Friday, December 1 @ Viking Elementary; Kindergarten @ 1:00 pm; Grades 1-2 @ 1:45 pm
- Newfolden Elementary Program: Thursday, December 7 @ MCC High School
- MCC High School Program: Friday December 8 @ MCC High School
- No School Teacher In-Service: Monday, December 18
- Holiday Break: December 18 January 1; School resumes January 2

#### **Upcoming School Board Meetings:**

- Tuesday, November 21 @ 6:30 pm in the MCC High School Library
- Wednesday, December 20 @ 6:30 pm in the MCC High School Library

Superintendent Jeffrey Lund #mccstrong

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#### SCHOOL CALENDAR

Each month we will issue a monthly calendar for our families. We will include a copy in the monthly newsletter. If you would like a full size printable version you can download one here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3QCQS4W">https://bit.ly/3QCQS4W</a>

#### PARKING RESTRICTIONS

There is no overnight parking permitted in the school parking lots without administrator approval. This is very important during winter season because we need to clean parking lots after each snow fall. Cars in the lot make snow removal very difficult and time consuming. Parked cars are subject to being towed at the owner's expense.

#### **SNOWMOBILES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Students, properly endorsed of driving age, may drive snowmobiles to school. We ask that they park in the student parking lot or in the school yard near the school parking lot and that students and community members stay on designated snow trails and along roads where permitted. Please refrain from driving snowmobiles on school grounds. Snowmobiles can damage property and our athletic fields if driven improperly or driven in poor snow conditions.

#### WINTER CLOTHING

Parents, cold winter weather is here. Please be sure to send your children to school with hats, boots, gloves, and a warm winter coat. Snowpants are required for Viking Elementary students and advised for Newfolden Elementary students. Elementary students go outside each day for 20 to 25 minutes. It is important that their hands, feet, head, and body are kept warm. Students may leave an extra set of clothing in their lockers, but they should bring home any clothing that gets wet. We also expect high school students to come properly dressed for weather. Classes sometimes go outside and we want all students prepared with warm clothing in the event of a bus breakdown.

Reminder: Shorts are not permissible in school with the exception of gym class and sports after Education Minnesota Break through the end of April.

#### WEATHER RELATED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The school district utilizes an automatic messaging program tied to our website and the District App. Parents are automatically enrolled and will be called to your telephones, sent a text to your cell phone, and sent a notification if you downloaded the app and set up your notifications. For weather emergency closings, delays, or early releases, we call and message all numbers in our files. We know this may seem excessive, but it is important to us that you get the message. If you have changed your phone number please contact the office and we will update the information in our files.

Administration keeps a careful watch of the weather throughout the winter season. We try to announce delays or closings the night before but sometimes there is not enough information in the forecast to make an early decision.

#### **WALKING**

Both elementary gyms will be open to the public in the mornings to adults who would like to walk for exercise from 7:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. We also allow walking around the high school hallway loop from 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. or after school until 5:30 p.m. Walking is only allowed on days school is in session.

#### **BUS DRIVER OPENINGS**

We are in need of bus driver and bus driver substitutes.

We have half routes and full routes available if you are interested in helping routinely.

The time frame for driving is from 6:30 am to 8:15 am for morning route and from 2:45 pm to 4:45 pm in the afternoons. Shuttle routes to Viking and one extended route may take more time.

The district reimburses for training, licensing exam, behind the wheel training, physical, and licensing fees.

If interested in learning more or to become a driver with us please contact Adam Lokstad, alokstad@mccfreeze.org or (218) 874-7291.

#### STUDENT HEALTH CONCERNS

If your child throws up, has persistant cough, or has a fever we ask you to keep them home after symptoms diminish and they remain fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication. If you are unsure if you should send your child to school please contact the school office or contact Nurse Julie. Nurse Julie is happy to help with any health related questions. Nurse Julie's e-mail is: jdahlman@mccfreeze.org.

#### SCHOOL BOARD BRIEF/MINUTES:

If you are interested in what happens at our school board meetings, we post a briefing of the nights action the day following our meeting here:
Board Brief: https://bit.ly/3b0777x

We also post meeting minutes on our website once they are approved. Those are located here:

Minutes: https://bit.ly/498nwTk

## **ECFE** Schedule

Marshall County Central schools offers early childhood educational opportunties for families with infant children to age 4.

Our classes are usually Thursdays twice a month most months throughout the school year. There are two session times unless time is noted. The first session is held from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and the second session is held from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

For questions about ECFE please contact Viking Elementary School (218) 523-4425 or e-mail Amie Buck: abuck@mccfreeze.org

December 7 - Holiday Cheer
Jan. 4 - Sanford Kid Zone (5 pm)
Jan. 18 - Snow Much Fun
February 1 - Love, Hearts, Valentines
February 15 - TRF Library (5 pm)
March 14 - Shamrocks & Leprechauns
April 4 - Sensational Spring
April 18 - Colors All Around
May 2 - Touch a Truck (5 pm)
May 23 - Year End Picnic at the Park

## **Building Project Recent Pictures**











#### Pictures:

Upper Left: Viking Front Entrance Middle Left: Future Viking Music Room Upper Right: East Classrooms MCC HS Lower Left: East Parking MCC HS Lower Middle: Kitchen w/Gym in back @ MCC HS



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
OCT 29	OCT 30 Academic Eligibility Check Freeze Hoops Sign Up 6:30 @ MCC HS	OCT 31 Halloween  Volleyball Playoffs Section Semifinals	1	<b>2</b> Football Section Finals	<b>3</b> Volleyball SectionFinals Last Day of Quarter 1	4
5 <u>Open Gym</u> (K-6) 1-3 pm (7-12) 3-5 pm Adult 7-8:30 pm	6 No School Teacher In-Service Volleyball Banquet 6:30 pm @ TC	Picture Retake Day  Education Foundation Meeting 6-7:30 pm	NHS Banquet 7 pm	9 Football Banquet 6:30 pm @ MCC ECFE - Give Thanks 4:30 & 6:00 pm	10 Veterans Day Program 9:30 a.m. @ MCC HS	<b>11</b> Robotics @ Fisher
12 <u>Open Gym</u> (K-6) 1-3 pm (7-12) 3-5 pm Adult 7-8:30 pm	First Day GBB Practice	14	15	16 Solo Contest @ LOW	17	18  GBB Jamboree  @ Grygla
19 <u>Open Gym</u> (K-6) 1-3 pm (7-12) 3-5 pm Adult 7-8:30 pm	20 Academic Eligibility Check First Day BBB Practice	<b>21</b> School Board Mtg. 6:30 pm	5th Grade Field Trip Creativity Festival	23 No School Thanksgiving Break	24 Thanksgiving Day  No School Thanksgiving Break	25  BBB Jamboree  @ WAO
26	27  Comm. Ed Advisory Mtg 6:30 pm HS Library	28 GBB vs. Fosston @ MCC	29	<b>30</b> BBB vs. Warroad @ TC	DEC 1 BBB/GBB Pictures Viking Elementary Holiday Program K @ 1 pm; Gr. 1-2 @ 1:45 pm	DEC 2  GBB JH Tourney  @ Fertile

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