MCC SCHOOLS

24-25 Quarter 3 Newsletter

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Over halfway through the school year - looking ahead to Spring!

As we pass the halfway point of the school year, it has been wonderful to see our students grow both academically and personally. The first half of the year has been filled with achievements and memorable moments, including:

- Increased student enrollment
- Completion and grand opening of our building additions
- Preschool expansion to four days a week
- Growth of National Honor Society (14 new members)
- Legion Post 527/MCC Veterans Day program
- New mural in the Newfolden Elementary cafeteria
- Katie Melgaard named North Zone Rural Educator of Excellence
- Holiday music concerts at all three schools
- Weight room dedication, increased student and community participation, and three records broken by Grady Hockstedler
- Knowledge Bowl team placing 3rd at a meet
- Student Council efforts to enhance student life on campus
- Read Act implementation by our elementary K-4 team

With winter beginning to ease, we look ahead to warmer weather and the many opportunities that spring brings. Here are some upcoming events to mark on your calendar:

- February 22 – MCC Drones Meet @ MCC
- February 24 – Girls Basketball playoffs begin
- February 25-26 – Parent-Teacher Conferences
- March 3 – Boys Basketball playoffs begin
- March 10 – First day of softball practice
- March 17 – First day of baseball practice
- March 27 – Last day of Quarter 3
- March 27 – Seven Brides for Seven Brothers Musical Opening Night
- March 28 – No School (Teacher In-Service Day)
- March 28 – Seven Brides for Seven Brothers Musical Performance
- April 2 – Emma Benoit: Be the Voice event – Free-will offering dinner, Mental Health Expo, and Speaker
- April 5-6 – Agassiz Rod and Gun Club Trade Show @ MCC

Upcoming School Board Meetings
Meetings take place in the MS/HS Multipurpose Room.

- Wednesday, February 19 @ 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, March 18 @ 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 15 @ 6:30 p.m.

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, we encourage everyone to stay focused and committed to giving their best effort. Each school day presents an opportunity to learn, grow, and improve. Let's finish the year strong by supporting one another and striving for excellence in everything we do. Parent-teacher conferences are a great time to connect with your child's teacher—sometimes, these conversations are all that's needed to align efforts and ensure success. If you need additional support or assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher.

Jeffrey Lund, Superintendent

SCHOOL CALENDAR:
Each month we will issue a monthly calendar and send it home with elementary students. High School office will have copies available. Printable version of calendars are available here:
- February: https://bit.ly/4aCUSek
- March: https://bit.ly/3GJqiA1

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
We will hold conferences at all three schools on Tuesday, February 25 and Wednesday, February 26. Newfolden Elementary and Viking Elementary have scheduled conferences. Parents will receive a letter noting your child's scheduled time. If you have a conflict with your scheduled time, Viking parents please reach out to Sarah Bray: sbray@mccfreeze.org. Newfolden Elementary parents please reach out to Patty Wagner: pwagner@mccfreeze.org. 5th and 6th grade parents please reach out to Missy Bjorgaard: mbjorgaard@mccfreeze.org.

High School conferences are open house. High School parents can come during open conference hours. February 25 conferences are from 3:30 pm to 6:30 p.m. February 26 conferences are from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

LOST AND FOUND
We have accumulated a lot of lost and found clothing at all three school sites. We will put items out on display during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Please take time to look through the Lost and Found tables and claim items that belong to your family. Unclaimed items will be boxed up and donated.

WEIGHT ROOM COMMUNITY TIMES NEW EXPANDED HOURS
The weight room recently received some additional equipment:
- Leg Press
- Cable Crossover Machin

Community access is now expanded and available at the following times:
4:45 pm to 9 pm Monday - Friday
6 am to 12 pm on Saturday & Sunday

Weight room will not be available if an indoor athletic event is scheduled.

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.

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's e-mail is: jdahlman@mccfreeze.org.

ECFE
ECFE is at 4:30 and 6:00 on scheduled Wednesdays throughout the year unless specific times are noted.

March 12 - St. Patrick's Day
March 26 - Spring
April 9 - Easter
April 23 - Farms
May 7 - Touch a Truck (5 pm)
May 21 - Picnic @ Newf. Park (5pm)

Please use the sign up links on our website if you plan to come: https://bit.ly/4hP2kp4

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

STRATEGIC PLANNING - GET INVOLVED
THE MCC School Board will be scheduling some strategic planning meetings this spring. Work will include looking at our school district mission, vision, and goals. We also plan to develop a survey for students and parents to help guide direction of our updated strategic plan. If you have an interest in participating, please reach out to a school board member or to Superintendent Jeffrey Lund: jlund@mccfreeze.org.

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.

MUSICAL
The MCC Musical cast will be performing Seven Brides for Seven Brothers Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29 at the MCC High School in the Main High School Gym. Advanced Tickets will be made available to purchase at the MCC High School Office. Please contact Missy for tickets: mbjorgaard@mccfreeze.org or 218-874-7225. Tickets are $15 for students and $20 for Adults. Tickets may also be purchased online using SchoolPay.

EMMA BENOIT - Be the Voice:
There will be a free event for the Marshall County Community on Wednesday, April 2 starting at 5 pm focused on mental health and suicide prevent.

The event begins with a free will offering dinner and a Mental Health Resource Fair.

At 7:00 p.m. Emma Benoit will share a special presentation of her film "My Ascension" followed by a discussion with Emma as she shares her message of hope and healing.

The event is sponsored by:
Marshall County Social Services
Marshall & Roseau Cty Collaborative
Marshall County Central Schools
Sanford
Hope Coalition
NW8 Adult Mental Health Initiative
Blue Cross Blue Shield
Minnesota Department of Corrections

Watch a trailer of the film: https://bit.ly/4jNeBvO

Join us in spreading a message of hope!

Recent Student Accomplishments: Spelling Bee and Elementary Science Fair



Third-Fourth Grade Spelling Bee:
Brooklyn Koland, Emmersyn Gerardy, Briggs Dahl, Bromley Holmstrom, Karley Olson, Joette Landgren, Elayna Maurtad, and Hayden Sandberg. Emmersyn was the 3/4 Grade Winner.



Science Fair - Overall Grand Champion
Liam Waterworth



Science Fair - Champions
6th Grade: Brennon Dahle
5th Grade: Annabelle Waterworth



5th-8th Grade Spelling Bee:
April Holthusen, Emerie Parker, Elly LeClaire, Camden Melcher, Carter Kostrzewski, Case LeMoine, Jorah Smith, and Mason Woodruff. Elly was the District Spelling Bee Winner.



Fifth Grade Placing Winners
1st Place: Elli Koland
2nd Place: Shadi Edin
3rd Place: Colin Brons



Sixth Grade Placing Winners
1st Place: Emmett Larson
2nd Place: Jozie Prestegord
3rd Place: Garrett Barth



Science Fair Honorable Mentions:
Will Bjorgaard
Alena Nelson
Bromley Holmstrom
Zane LeClaire



Fifth Grade Additional Awards
Best Presentation - Karmyn Augustine
Best Exhibit - Roriey Lindemoen
Most Original - Annabelle Crane
Green Thumb - Abram Dehne
Dressed the Part - Rylyn Redden
Most Enthusiastic - Rexton Stoskopf



Fifth Grade Additional Awards
Best Presentation - Jorah Smith
Best Exhibit - Kinley Teie
Most Original - Ben Kashian
Most Practical - Betty Efta
Most Heartfelt - Jackson Clarke
Most Creative - Jackson Peterson
Most Unique - Nathan Peterson
Best Resources - Maverick Peters

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