

# Pioneer Blast

Mooresville Schools

Newby second graders take a trip back in time at the Adacemy Building on the school campus.

## Superintendent's Message Supporting Our Public Schools

This week marks national Public Schools Week and, at Mooresville Schools, we're proud to provide a great education for all students.



Superintendent  
Randy Taylor

Our district has high graduation rates, award-winning STEM programming for grades K-12, innovative virtual learning options, high quality special education programming, and much more.

Public schools educate nine out of every 10 students in the United States. Supporting our public schools is more important than ever as they keep learning going for students

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## Meador Receives National Honor

MHS senior Marissa Meador is one of 104

students from across the nation chosen to take part in the United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP). The 59th annual USSYP Washington Week, to be held virtually March 14-17, is designed to be a highly interactive and exciting education and leadership forum for the nation's most outstanding student leaders. She will also receive a \$10,000 college scholarship for undergraduate study.

Meador serves as the president of the MHS Junior State of America organization, the founder and president of the student activism club, and a member Earth club. She is also the choir president, a member of the Junior State of America Ohio River Valley cabinet, and has been an intern for a gubernatorial campaign.



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WALTER, MD





**Congratulations to the Morgan County Champion  
PHMS 8th grade girls basketball team!**

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## ***CDC Travel Recommendations for Spring Break***

Students and staff who are traveling over Spring Break or other times are asked to review the CDC's travel webpage for their newest guidance before and after travel.

Mooreville staff and students who plan to travel internationally must follow all CDC travel guidance including:

- Get tested with a viral test 3-5 days after travel  
AND stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7

days after travel (even if you test negative).

- If your test is positive, isolate yourself to protect others from getting infected.
- If you don't get tested, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel.
- Avoid being around people who are at increased risk for severe illness for 14 days, whether you get tested or not.

Those who are traveling within the United States

or U.S. territories are recommended to follow CDC guidance as well as any state guidance for their travel destination. Learn more on the [CDC Travel webpage](#).



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# Supporting Our Public Schools



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despite the global pandemic.

Like many communities across the United States, Mooresville's public school district is a cornerstone of the local economy. We are the third largest employer in the county, with about 650 full-time and part-time employees. Our schools utilize local businesses for supplies and services throughout the year.

Our food service department serves about 3,500 meals every day. We also use more than \$150,000 of food provided by the USDA each year that is grown by American farmers.

The past 12 months have also shown how important it is for children to have the stability of schools and social interaction. Multiple studies have shown that students who have been away from the traditional school setting since the pandemic's onset are suffering from mental health issues and increased suicide rates.

We work hard to continually build a safe, supportive, and welcoming education community. Our dedicated staff

commits, each and every day, to provide the best education possible for all our students. Many of our teachers and other staff take classes and professional development opportunities to stay current on best practices to prepare our students for the future, keep our buildings in the best shape, stay current on technology, enhance safety practices, and more.

We are #PublicSchoolProud and welcome our community to join us in celebrating our nation's great tradition of providing a great education to all students.





## News Briefs

### Congratulations, Wagon Trails Staff!

The Indiana High School Press Association has named the 2020 Wagon Trails yearbook as a Hoosier Star finalist, one of the top yearbooks in the state.

Congratulations go to adviser Ada Clark and members of the staff,

including (clockwise from top left) Kimmy Turley, Blake Nigg, Jade Tackett, Mackenzie Becker, Jocelyn Stayte, and Faith Medlock.



**Reminder for Virtual Students** - Full-time virtual students at all grade levels have received a survey about their learning plan for the fourth nine weeks. Any families whose students will return to in-school learning should complete the online survey sent by their principal. Students who will be new to bus transportation for the fourth nine weeks should contact the Transportation Department at 317-831-9242.

**Community Information** - Local nonprofits may share fliers on our [Community Webpage](#). Current fliers include:

[Mooreville Baseball/Softball Signups - Age 4-12](#)

[Komets Riverplate Soccer - Ages 7-17](#)

[Illustrating America Art Contest - gr. K-8](#)

[National Anthem Singing Contest - ages 6-16](#)

[Ripfest Diving Lessons - ages 8 and up](#)

[Adult Ed High School Equivalency Bootcamp](#)

## Upcoming Events

**Mar. 1 Neil Armstrong**  
Jump Rope for Heart  
Week

**Mar. 2-4 MHS**  
Quarter 3 Exams

**Mar. 5 District**  
End of 9 weeks

**Mar. 11 Newby**  
PTO Meeting (webex)

**Mar. 11-12 MHS**  
Spring Play 7pm

**Mar. 13 MHS**  
SAT

**Mar. 23 MHS**  
Spring Picture Day

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# DAILY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

**Moore'sville Families -**  
Please be sure to assess student and staff member health each day before attending school.

## COVID-19 Screening for Parents

**Every morning before you send your child to school please check for signs of illness:**



FEVER 100.4\* OR CHILLS



SORE THROAT



COUGH\* OR SHORTNESS OF BREATH

\*especially new onset, uncontrolled cough



DIARRHEA, NAUSEA OR VOMITING, ABDOMINAL PAIN



HEADACHE\*

\*particularly new onset of severe headache, especially with fever



NEW LOSS OF TASTE OR SMELL

\*May present with more than one symptom. This list does not include all possible symptoms.

- 1** Does your child have any sign of illness above?
  - 2** Were you in close contact (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes) with anyone confirmed with COVID-19?
  - 3** If the answer is **YES** to any of the questions, **DO NOT** send your student to school. Instead, begin isolation of your child and contact your healthcare provider. Have you been tested for COVID-19? Only a positive test or provider diagnosis can confirm if someone has a current infection.
  - 4** Please keep your student home until they meet the criteria on the chart on back of the page.
- If you have trouble breathing, chest pain, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake or bluish lips or face **CALL 911!**



Updated: 8/27/20

### School Telephone Numbers

MHS	317-831-9203
PHMS	317-831-9208
Neil Armstrong	317-831-9210
Newby	317-831-9212
North Madison	317-831-9214
Northwood	317-831-9216
Waverly	317-831-9218

Please alert the school office if absent due to COVID-related reasons for attendance coding purposes. Students may take part in virtual school during quarantine.

### In addition to the above, do not attend school if:

- You are awaiting COVID-19 test results.
- Any member of the household has tested positive or is awaiting test results due to exposure/symptoms.
- Any member of the household is home from work or school with COVID-19 symptoms.

If a person is at home for any of the above reasons, the person should stay at home until Indiana State Department of Health Return to School guidance is met. When in doubt, stay home and contact your school nurse or the Morgan County Health Department (765-342-6621) for guidance.

Find complete state guidance, visit the [Indiana State Department of Health Coronavirus Information Page](#) and click on "Back to School Resources"