

Mooresville Schools

Superintendent's Message

Partnership for Safety

Our successful completion of in-school learning for our first nine weeks has shown that our school community is working together to keep students and staff safe during the pandemic. That partnership is as important as ever with flu season approaching and families traveling over

Fall Break. We all need to

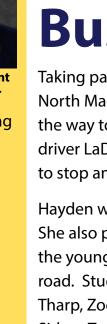
remember how important

it is to remain cautious and

stay home for questionable



Superintendent **Randy Taylor**





Bus Heroes Honored

Taking part in bus evacuation drills twice per year paid off for a group of North Madison students during a recent emergency. One morning on the way to school, a hose under the bus dashboard burst and sprayed driver LaDonna Hayden's leg with scalding antifreeze. Hayden was able to stop and park the bus quickly and safely.

Hayden was honored for her quick action in getting the bus stopped. She also praised her older students for jumping into action and helping the younger bus riders safely evacuate and gather on the side of the road. Students honored were Sadie Williams, Sawyer Nelson, Jaylea Tharp, Zoey McLouth, Kaylen Bullock, Zak McLouth, and Emmah Tipton-Siders. Teacher Erin Schmitt also stopped to help students. Hayden is recovering from second and third degree burns but hopes to return to her bus and her students soon.

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MOORESVILLE FLU CLINIC OCT 11 • 11AM-3PM

FRANCISCAN HEALTH MEDICAL PAVILION **MOORESVILLE (BLUE PARKING LOT)**

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MHS Unified Football Moves Onto Regionals

The MHS Unified Football team, 2019 IHSAA State Champions, are on their championship run for 2020.

The Pioneers defeated Franklin Central, as well as Ben Davis and Crispus Attucks, to become 2020 Unified Football Sectional Champions.

They will go onto play Bedford North Lawrence this Saturday at 3 p.m. at Brownsburg High School. The winner will go on to the Regional Championship which will be played shortly after the first game.

Next eLearning Day Set for November 4

To continue professional development for teachers and strengthen students' resources in the event of eLearning across the district, Mooresville Schools will host another eLearning day for all students on Wednesday, Nov. 4.

The day will be similar to the Sept. 30 eLearning Day, with students staying home and receiving instruction and online lessons for the day. Families should watch for specifics from their child's teacher(s) prior to the day.







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Redevelopment Commission, Schools Partner for Agriscience

The Mooresville Redevelopment Commission has entered into an agreement with the Mooresville Consolidated School Corporation to make a \$73,564.66 contribution to the corporation's agriscience program.

"The Redevelopment Commission has been looking for ways to partner with the school to strengthen the future workforce for the Town of Mooresville and beyond," said Commission Chairman Dustin Stanley. "We're happy to have found such an opportunity and are pleased to contribute TIF funds to such a unique and diverse program."

The program will include improvements to the greenhouse, an indoor plant lab, increased classroom technology and manipulative robots, aquaponics, shop tools, a classroom fish tank, lab sinks and a FarmBot, a robot that mounts over a raised garden bed that does everything from planting the seeds to weeding. FarmBot is all coded by students.

"We are extremely excited to partner with the Redevelopment Commission on this project," said Dr. Jake Allen, Assistant Superintendent for Mooresville Schools. "Our agriscience program is rapidly expanding and these funds will help us to incorporate resources that will not only support the curriculum, but will help make the learning experience for our students truly unique. The science of agriculture is extremely important to our nation, state, and local economy and we are thrilled to partner with the commission to better prepare our students to contribute and even improve policies and practices in this field."

Mooresville students in grades 8-12 take part in agriscience programming. Mooresville also has FFA chapters at both middle and high school levels.



Redevelopment

Commission members

Ryan Taylor and Dr. Larry

Keeping Students and Staff Safe

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situations. Should a person test positive, schools must contact trace for 48 hours prior to the development of symptoms (or date of swab for asymptomatic patients) for anyone who has been within 6 feet for 15 minutes or more, regardless of masking.

If you have a concern due to COVID-19 exposure or symptoms, no matter how small it may seem, contact the school nurse and discuss the situation. Please remember that eLearning is available for all students. The Indiana Department of Education has created a new attendance code to correctly mark students completing elearning temporarily due to COVID-19 related issues as "in school."

We are making every possible effort to keep students and staff healthy during school. The partnership of our families in making healthy choices (masks, social distancing, and good hygiene) outside of school is paramount to keeping a low COVID-19 number in our schools and our community.

Do not attend school if:

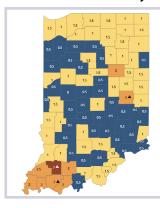
- You have symptoms of COVID-19 (see p. 8)
- You are awaiting COVID-19 test results.
- Any member of the household has tested positive or is awaiting test results due to exposure/symptoms.
- Any member of the household is home from work or school with COVID-19 symptoms.

Anyone at home for any of the above reasons 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).

The State of Indiana has created a database for all schools to input information for families. In an effort for full transparency, Mooresville Schools cases of COVID-19 are being input into the Indiana COVID-19 Dashboard. Moving forward, families across the district may check this database to find information about any cases at Mooresville Schools. We will continue

to send information directly to any families of close contacts.

Thank you to our families for their efforts in supporting a healthy community!



<u>Indiana Coronavirus Resources</u>- Indiana State Department of Health information

<u>Indiana COVID-19 Dashboard</u> - includes county color coding, school case data, and more

<u>COVID-19 Back to School Resources</u> - guidelines for schools, quarantine, and more.



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Vaccination Deadline October 20

Parents are reminded that Indiana Code says all students need vaccinations updated to attend school. Students without completed vaccinations by Tuesday, Oct. 20, will be excluded from school.

Indiana's 2020-21 immunization requirements include a new requirement for ALL students to have two doses of Hepatitis A vaccine. Students entering kindergarten, 6th and 12th grade need additional vaccinations. Families can find <u>Indiana school immunization requirements</u> online.

Parents whose children have not finished their shots should contact their family

doctors immediately to complete vaccination requirements.

Vaccination clinics are also held by the Morgan County Health Department (MCHD) on Tuesdays by appointment at their location,180 S. Main St. #252, Martinsville, IN 46151. The clinic will take patients who are covered by Medicaid and most insurance. Uninsured patients will be charged \$20 per vaccination. Financial assistance is available for those who qualify. To make an appointment, call the MCHD at 765-342-6621.

Please let your school nurse know if your child has a vaccination scheduled in the near future.

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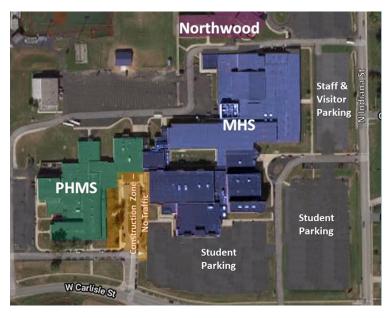


Changes to MHS Traffic Patterns

The new MHS Staff and Visitor parking lot along Indiana St. will be open upon the return from Fall Break.

The new lot will also accommodate student dropoff and pickup traffic for the high school, alleviating a large part of the backup on Indiana Street during morning arrival.

MHS families should watch their email for information about new traffic patterns around the school. Information will also be shared through school social media channels.





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News Briefs

Beware of Online Sports Scams - Pioneer fans are being inundated with fake social media links to view MHS sports online. Please be aware the home football games will be broadcast via Pioneer TV. Conference away games are available through ISHAAtv. For updates on MHS athletics and game feeds, follow MHS. Athletics on Twitter.

Adult & Child Services - Adult and Child Health offers behavioral and mental health services for students in Mooresville Schools regardless of income or insurance type. Families interested in these services for their student should reach out to their child's school principal, school counselor, or SEL Coordinator Emily Roscoe at 317-494-0504 or Emily. Roscoe@mooresvilleschools.org.

Upcoming Events

October 8-9Neil Armstrong Book Fair

October 9
End of Nine Weeks

October 12-16 Fall Break

October 22 North Madison Dine to Donate

October 23 North Madison and Newby Picture Re-Takes

Community Information - Local nonprofits may share fliers for activities for students on



the Mooresville Schools' Community
Webpage. Current fliers include:
Girl Scouts Robot Building Parties Northwood, Neil Armstrong, North
Madison
Cub Scouts Pack 231 Meeting Oct. 8
Voice of Democracy Essay Contest (9-12)
Patriot's Pen Essay Contest (Gr. 6-8)
Mooresville Parks Trick or Treat Trail
Shoes for Souls free shoe program
Mooresville Junior Basketball Cheer
Upward Basketball Registration
Weekday Religious Education (Gr. 3-4)
Mooresville Junior Basketball



DAILY HEALTH **ASSESSMENT**

Mooresville 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:



- *May present with more than one symptom. This list does not include all possible symptoms.
- Does your child have any sign of illness above?
- Were you in close contact (within 6 feet for more than 15 minutes) with anyone confirmed with COVID-19?

headache, especially with fever

- 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.
- 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!



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:

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