

# Pioneer Blast

Mooresville Schools

Mrs. Cracraft's 3rd Graders at Waverly enjoyed the weather Friday by taking their test outside

Sept. 10, 2020

## Resources for our Students and Schools

This week, our district received important information from the U.S. Census office to let us know this year's



Superintendent Randy Taylor

Census count is still ongoing and members of our community are not yet counted. This count will affect funding to our school and community for years to come. It's important that all of our residents are included.

Every ten years, everyone living in the United States is counted in the census. The count is used to distribute power at every level of government and distribute more than \$675 billion each year

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## USDA Program To Provide Free Meals for All Students

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) extended all Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) waivers through as late as December 31, 2020.

The move allows schools to offer meals to all students at no charge to minimize the challenges of meal service and to ensure children have access to nutritious food during a pandemic. The waivers will allow Mooresville Schools to offer free breakfast and lunch meals to all students in all buildings through Dec. 31 or until USDA funds are depleted.

This program will be retroactive back to Sept. 1, meaning any charges to students for meals will be removed beginning Sept. 1. All students will receive free breakfast and lunch meals until Dec. 31 or until further notice. All funds in student accounts at this time will remain in the accounts until needed either to buy extra items beyond a regular meal or to use after the free meal program ends.

Families should be aware that the paid portion will be meals only.

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*Grab and go breakfasts at all schools are now free for all students.*

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# WELCOMING NEW PATIENTS

Franciscan PHYSICIAN NETWORK  
HEARTLAND CROSSING PEDIATRICS

(844) 376-2778



CORIN MARSHALL, MD



BRADLEY KLEMAN, MD



AMANDA WALTER, MD



**Assistant Superintendent Dr. Allen, Athletic Director Mossbrucker, School Board President Dr. Roberson, and Superintendent Taylor check out the new soccer locker rooms.**

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## Resources for Schools, Students, and Families

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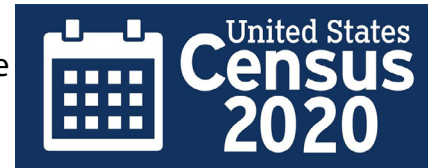
to communities across the nation. Participating in the Census is a civic duty – much like voting – and is confidential and simple to complete.

The 2020 Census will determine how much federal funding our community receives for education, healthcare, housing, transportation, emergency services, and more. Every person counted in the Census means more money for programs that support Mooresville Schools, our students, and our families. In our community, the census impacts funding for Title 1, Head Start, free and reduced school lunches, school nutrition programs, mental health services, special education, SNAP, WIC, Medicare, Section 8 Housing, and many more essential programs. The census supports all children, helping them meet challenging state academic standards and have a well-rounded education.

By federal law, Census responses are confidential for 72 years and cannot be shared with anyone, including law enforcement, immigration, or tax agencies. Your information is private and cannot be used against you.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the deadline to respond to the 2020 Census was extended earlier this year until September 30. You can still respond

by calling (844) 330-2020 or online at [my2020census.gov](https://my2020census.gov).



Make sure you count everyone who was residing in your household on April 1, 2020, including roommates, extended family, friends, and – of course – children!

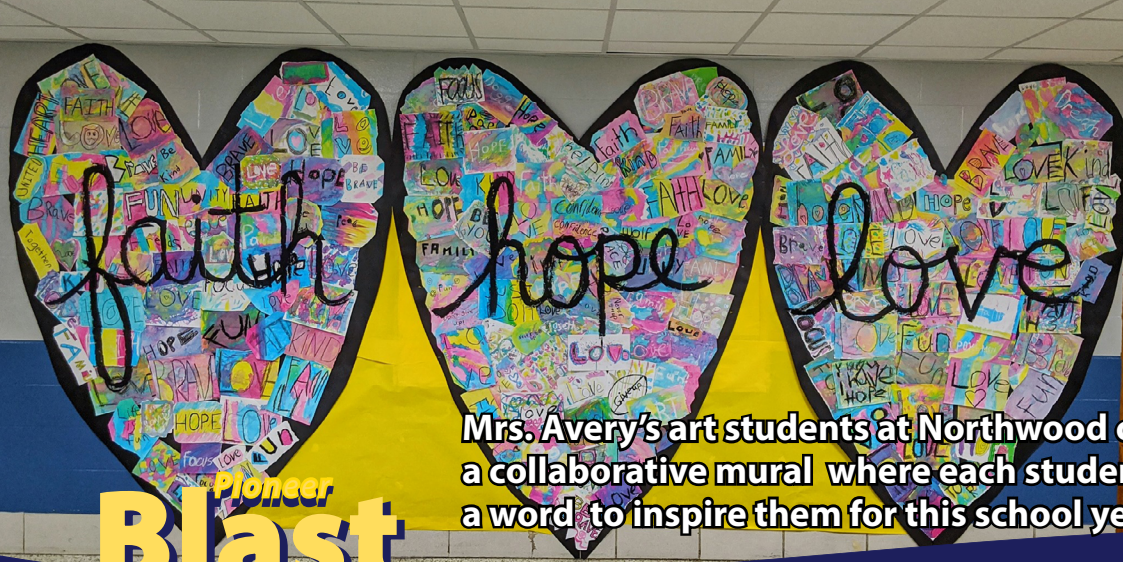
Please help support our school and community by completing your 2020 Census today.

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Mrs. Avery's art students at Northwood created a collaborative mural where each student chose a word to inspire them for this school year



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# Traffic Updates

The newest MHS parking lot at the corner of Carlisle and Indiana streets is in use. The existing lot has been repaved and will be striped and ready for use soon. The entire southeast parking lot includes exits onto Carlisle or Indiana streets.

The yet-to-be-completed parking lot east of MHS will serve as a new parent pickup and dropoff zone, providing a much needed area for traffic to line up off of Indiana Street. The lot will also serve as an area for staff and visitor parking for the high school as well as Northwood.



The new addition to the southeast parking lot at MHS is complete

MHS students should visit the school office to get their parking permits. Seniors will be able to paint their "senior parking spots" after the new east parking lot is completed.



The new lot east of MHS will provide parking for MHS and Northwood as well as provide a new parent drop-off area.

## News Briefs

### Family First Success Virtual Program

Youth First is hosting a free virtual program every Thursday evening for families to strengthen family relationships, parenting skills, and youth social and life skills. The family is open to all families with children ages 7-17. Learn more on the [Family First Flier](#). To register, email [Jennifer.Green@MooresvilleSchools.org](mailto:Jennifer.Green@MooresvilleSchools.org).



Open to ALL families with children ages 7-17

Put your FAMILY FIRST

**Family First Success**

**Spend quality time together!**

Create strong bonds.  
Set loving boundaries.  
Build on family strengths.

Featuring the Strengthening Families Curriculum

All Virtual | Free Family Meal | Comfort of Your Home

Available to EVERYONE!

**10 week virtual program**

Program every Thursday  
Sept. 17 - Dec. 3  
6:30pm - 7:30pm

We Hope to See You There!

For more information, visit our website: [youthfirstinc.org](http://youthfirstinc.org)

## Upcoming Events

**September 11**  
Mid-Term Grades

**September 19**  
PK-8 eLearner School  
Picture Day

**September 25**  
MHS Homecoming

**September 30**  
Virtual School Day - No  
in-class school for  
grades PK-12

**New Openings for Preschoolers-** Little Pioneers Preschool has openings for new students for the 2020-2021 school year. Full-day classes are held at Waverly Elementary to help four-year-olds prepare for kindergarten. For more information, visit the [Little Pioneers webpage](#).

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

[Mooresville Ladies Junior Basketball \(due 9/10\)](#)

[Mooresville Junior Basketball Cheer \(due 11/3\)](#)

[Upward Basketball Registration \(due 11/6\)](#)

[League of Miracles Fall Season \(begins 9/12\)](#)

[Weekday Religious Education \(Gr. 3-4\)](#)

[Mooresville Parks Fall Break Camp](#)

[Mooresville Junior Basketball \(due 11/6\)](#)



## Program Provides Free Student Meals

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Students who wish to purchase extras, such as another beverage or fruit snacks, will need to purchase those items separately. Please visit the [Food Services website](#) for more information on meals as well as extra items available.

All refunds of money spent from Sept. 1 through this week will be refunded into student accounts by Monday, Sept. 14. Parents may log into their child's [Skyward Account](#) to see what funds are available.



# DAILY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

**Mooreville 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**  
\*or school board policy if threshold is lower



**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 office if a child is absent due to COVID-related reasons for attendance coding purposes.*

### 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 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.

**Find complete guidance regarding the Mooreville Schools plans for health and attendance information at [MoorevilleSchools.org](https://www.moorevilleschools.org) under "[Return to Learn.](#)"**