



Pioneer Blast

Mrs. Jones' 4th grade class at Waverly made 3-D snowflakes.

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Mooreville Schools

A Season of Giving

All seven schools have been taking part in projects to help others this season, from the district-wide food drive to projects for the Humane Society, cards for veterans and nursing homes, pajama and Christmas gift drives and more.



North Madison food drive success

MHS Student Council coordinated the district food drive. Nearly 10,000 items were donated!



PHMS ag classes made pumpkin pie from scratch for the PHMS Food Pantry.



The MHS Key Club purchased Christmas gifts for kids and teens.

Neil Armstrong families donated pajamas to families in need.



Waverly hat day raised funds for the Morgan County Humane Society

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Dr. Allen spoke with the MHS Champions of Character group about how a positive attitude and great work ethic equal self-confidence and success. He told students about his journey from not making his middle school baseball team to being drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers and playing in the minor leagues.

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Around Our Schools



PHMS 8th Grade Band at Winter Concert



Newby and Waverly choirs sing at Victorian Christmas and the Mooresville tree lighting ceremony.



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MOORESVILLE *Christmas* LIGHT TOUR

Explore the town with your family Dec. 3-31



Join us for the Mooresville Christmas Light Tour! Download our map, grab some hot cocoa and pack your family in the car to drive around town and view the beautifully decorated homes and businesses. It's free to view the lights, but you can vote for your favorite stop with your donation of \$2 or more. All proceeds benefit the PTOs/PTF at Newby, Neil Armstrong, North Madison, Northwood, and Waverly Elementary Schools as well as Mooresville Christian Academy. Get all the details at MooresvilleLights.com and Facebook.com/MooresvilleLights.

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MHS Advanced Concert Band at Winter Concert.

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News Briefs

Light Tour Benefits PTOs: The five elementary PTOs will be the beneficiaries of this year's Mooresville Christmas Light Tour. The tour of decorated homes through the school district area includes a virtual voting donation app. Learn more about the event on their webpage: MooresvilleLights.com.

Holiday Assistance: Families in need of Christmas assistance for should contact their school counselor or family services coordinator for an application as soon as possible. Applications and assistance are coordinated through Churches in Mission.

Community Information & Fliers: Local nonprofit organizations with activities for school-age students may share their fliers through Mooresville Schools. Recent fliers include:

[Patriot's Pen Essay Contest \(Gr.6-8\)](#)

[Winter Baseball Camp \(ages 5- 12\)](#)

[Young American Art Contest \(Gr.9-12\)](#)

[Morgan County 4H \(K-12\)](#)

[RipFest Diving Academy \(age 8 and older\)](#)

[North Madison and Waverly Cub Scouts \(Grades K-6\)](#)

[Young American Art Contest \(Gr. 9-12\)](#)

[Mooresville Christmas Lights Tour Information](#)

Upcoming Events

Dec. 9-11 MHS
Madrigal Dinner 6:30pm (at Mt. Gilead)

Dec. 11 MHS
Orchestra Concert 7 p.m.

Dec. 21
End of Nine Weeks

Jan. 5
School Resumes

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Investing in Mooresville's Future Leaders. Thank You MHS Key Club! Here's To Pioneers!

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HIRING BEFORE CARE WORKERS





Coronavirus COVID-19 Protocols 2021-2022 School Year

Please Note: These protocols reflect current guidance from federal, state and local health officials. Should guidance change, school protocols will be updated to reflect current information. 9/9/21

The safety and well-being of our students and staff are of utmost importance. We appreciate everyone's help with the following guidelines for our return to school.

- **Masks are recommended** for anyone who has not been vaccinated. Masks are not required; however, we respect the right of anyone who chooses to wear a mask at school.
- **Masks are required on school buses** for the duration of CDC mask guidance for public transportation. Masks will be provided to those who do not have them.
- **Water bottling filling stations** will remain open and water fountains will remain closed. Students will be asked to use water bottles at school.
- **Close Contact and Quarantine** guidance will be following from IDOH in accordance with [Indiana Code 16-41-2-1](#). Due to social distancing requirements for early returns, all close contact quarantines will be 14 days.
- **Assigned seating and increased spacing** between students will remain in classrooms, the cafeteria, and other group settings to fulfill contact tracing obligations.
- **Increased cleaning and disinfection** in all areas will remain in place. School air filtration systems meet or exceed all requirements for fresh air circulation.
- **Unvaccinated students or staff** who are close contacts with someone who has COVID-19 must quarantine per health department guidance. No student or staff member will be asked about vaccination status except as part of a close contact situation.
- **Home COVID-19 test kits** will not qualify as an alternate diagnosis or for an early return to school of a symptomatic person. A PCR or rapid test or alternate physician diagnosis is needed to return to school if there are symptoms.
- **Extracurricular activities** will resume with the same protocols as school attendance. IHSA and ISSMA guidance will be followed.

Best Practices

2020-21 taught us there are many important practices to help keep Pioneers healthy.

Proper hand washing

is the best way to limit the spread of COVID-19. Students will have many opportunities each day to wash their hands and use sanitizer.

Monitoring student health

before school each day is crucial. Students with a fever or [signs of illness](#) (including but not limited to: vomiting, diarrhea, uncontrolled cough, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell) should not come to school. Symptomatic students need a negative PCR or rapid test or alternate diagnosis to return to school.

Vaccinations

are recommended by the CDC for anyone [age 12 or older](#).

School health clinics

will have separate areas for students with symptoms.

When in doubt,

stay home and contact your school's student health services or the Morgan County Health Department (765-342-6621) for guidance.

Contact Tracing will still be in place in accordance with Indiana Department of Health guidelines.



Close contacts include anyone within 6' of the positive case for 15 minutes or more over the course of a day. There is a 48-hour "lookback" for close contacts prior to symptom onset/positive test.



Close contacts who do not show proof of vaccination will be required to quarantine. Vaccinated close contacts who are asymptomatic do not need to quarantine.

Additional resources are available at:

www.Coronavirus.IN.gov

www.CDC.gov/coronavirus

www.MooresvilleSchools.org