

Pioneer Blast

**Mooreville's HOPE Nominees:
Freeman, Schmitt, Wells, Chitwood,
Armour, and Dudley**

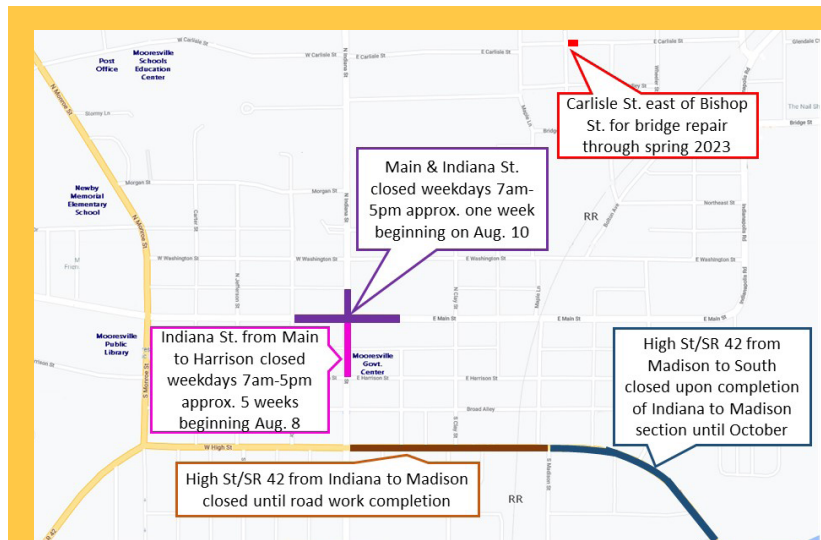
Mooreville Schools

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Shafer Wins HOPE Award

Mr. Stan Shafer, STEM teacher at MHS, was honored with the H.O.P.E. (Helping Our Pupils Excel) award for Mooreville Schools. Nominees are chosen by their peers at each school in the spring and the district winner will represent Mooreville Schools in the Indiana Teacher of the Year competition.

The remaining finalists for this year's award included: PHMS -Sierra Armour, Neil Armstrong - Mandy Chitwood, Newby - Molly Wells, Northwood - Angela Dudley, North Madison - Erin Schmitt, and Waverly - Scott Freeman.



Traffic Reminders

Families are reminded that major street closures in downtown Mooreville which will affect most traffic coming to MHS, PHMS, Northwood, and Newby, which will affect bus traffic. Be aware some bus routes may be delayed coming home as traffic changes.

Please contact the Transportation Department at 317-831-9242 for information about bus routes and times.

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A "thumbs up" start to the school year with Mr. DeHart at Neil Armstrong

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Vaccinations Due Sept. 1

Families of students in grades K, 6, and 12 should check that their student's vaccinations are up to date. Mooresville's deadline for vaccinations is September 1, 2022. Please call your school's office with any questions about getting vaccinations or showing vaccination proof. See the [Indiana Immunization Requirements](#) for additional information.

Grade	Required	Recommended
Pre-K	3 Hepatitis B 4 DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis) 3 Polio	1 Varicella (Chickenpox) 1 MMR (Measles, Mumps & Rubella) 2 Hepatitis A Annual influenza
K-5 th grade	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio	2 Varicella 2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A Annual influenza
6 th -11 th grade	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio 2 Varicella	2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A 1 MCV4 (Meningococcal) 1 Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis) Annual influenza 2/3 HPV (Human papillomavirus)
12 th grade	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio 2 Varicella	2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A 2 MCV4 1 Tdap Annual influenza 2/3 HPV 2 MenB (Meningococcal)

Parents and Guardians

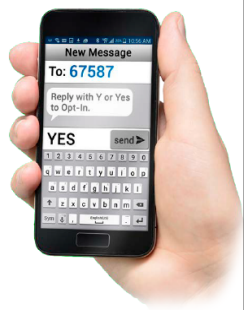
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Completing Required Forms

All families should [log in to their Skyward account](#) to complete required annual forms and update any student information which has changed. Skyward is used for parent notifications in the event of a child's sickness, weather delay or other announcements, as well as to let school officials know emergency contacts. Anyone who is new to Skyward can visit the [Skyward Parent Toolkit](#) website for quick tip videos and helpful information. Questions can be emailed to Skyward@MooresvilleSchools.org.

Families may also [put money into their child's lunch account and/or applying for free or reduced cost](#) meals on Monday, July 25.

All families who believe they may be eligible for free or reduced meals should log in to their child's Skyward account to begin the application process. Those who would like to pay for meals by cash or check may send payments to school with their child.



Starting the year with teambuilding in fifth grade at North Madison

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News Briefs

Congratulations Mrs. Avery: MHS teacher Mrs. Allyson Avery was among the 10 winners of the Indiana Agriculture photo contest. There were nearly 400 entries in total. She was a winner in the Agritourism Category with her photo titled "Sunflower Sunset."



Health Services Updates: Please see p. 4 for updates from Student Health Services for the 2022-23 school year. The information includes Indiana Department of Health guidelines for COVID-19 related illnesses, the definition of a fever and other important health issues for students in schools.

Community Information & Fliers: Nonprofit organizations in the Mooresville school district area with activities for school-age students may share their fliers through Mooresville Schools. Fliers will be posted on the school website with a link to this page of the weekly *Pioneer Blast*. Current fliers include:

- [Mooresville Parks Aquatic Center Information](#)
- [Komets Riverplate Soccer League](#)
- [Mooresville Girls Junior Basketball League](#)



Beware of Fake Livestream Events: Fake events for Mooresville athletic livestreams have been popping up recently on Facebook. These fake events may charge a fee to watch an MHS athletic event livestream that will never show, as it is a scam. Mooresville High School athletic events will be livestreamed on [Pioneer TV](#), the official broadcast network for MHS or [IHSA TV](#).

Upcoming Events

Aug. 11 Waverly
Gr. 3-6 Parent Information Night

Aug. 12 PHMS
School Picture Day

Aug. 17 MHS
School Picture Day

Aug. 19 Northwood
School Picture Day

Sept. 5 District
Labor Day- No School

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Health Services Protocols

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. 8/8/22

The safety and well-being of our students and staff are of utmost importance. We appreciate everyone's help with the following:

- **Masks are welcome** in any situation.
- **Close contact and quarantine** guidance will be followed in accordance with [Indiana Code 16-41-2-1](#).
- **Increased cleaning and disinfection** remain in place. School air filtration systems meet or exceed all requirements for fresh air circulation.
- **Home test kits** are available through health services at your school. Testing is encouraged if your child is a close contact or is symptomatic for COVID-19. PCR, rapid tests, or alternate physician diagnoses are accepted by the school. Families **MUST** share positive test result documents or photo of test with name and date with your school's Student Health Services so your child's absence can be coded as COVID-19 related.
- **Extracurricular (EC) activities** will follow MCHD, IHSA, and ISSMA guidance.

COVID-19 Positive Case Isolation & Contact Tracing Guidance

Positive Test - Isolation: Anyone who tests positive must stay home days 1-5 (date of symptoms or asymptomatic test is day "0") and may return to school day 6 if fever-free* and symptoms are resolving. We encourage those returning follow CDC guidance and be masked from days 6-10.

Close Contact Protocols - Regardless of Vaccination Status: Close contacts may remain in school as long as asymptomatic and negative. If symptoms develop, testing is recommended. CDC guidelines recommend wearing a mask for 10 days (last day of contact is day "0"). Testing on day 5 is recommended.

Best Practices

Proper hand washing

is the best way to limit the spread of germs. Students have many opportunities each day to wash hands and use sanitizer.

Monitoring student health each day is crucial. Students with [signs of illness](#) (including but not limited to: fever*, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell) should not come to school. Symptomatic students are encouraged to test for COVID-19.

Vaccinations

are recommended by the CDC for all students.

When in doubt,

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

Additional resources

are available through the following:

www.Coronavirus.IN.gov

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus

www.MooresvilleSchools.org/departments/health/safety

Returning to School After Illness

Please call your school's Student Health Services for information about health-related issues. Please be aware of Mooresville Schools' policies on returning to school after illness:

- Students sent home with a diarrhea or vomiting must remain out of school for 24 hours.
- Students sent home with fever* must be fever-free at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication such as Tylenol.
- Students who have a sore throat, cough, loss of taste or smell, or other signs of illness should not return to school until symptoms are improved.

**Mooresville Schools follow Indiana Department of Health recommendations, which classify a fever as a temperature of 100.4 degrees or greater. Students sent home with a fever must remain out of school for a minimum of 24 hours.*