



MMS Bullpup Express Newsletter



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MMS EVENTS

Monday October	1		
Tuesday October	2	FB-7 @ Junction City Girls Tennis vs Salina South X-Country @ Newton FB-8 vs Junction City PTO Meeting	3:30pm 3:30pm 3:30pm 4:00pm 5:30pm
Wednesday October	3	Early Dismissal —Staff Development	12:30pm
Thursday October	4	VB vs Hutchinson	5:00pm
Friday October	5		
Saturday October	6		
			
Monday October	8	VB @ Salina Lkwd BOE Meeting @ Central Office	5:00pm 7:00pm
Tuesday October	9	Girls Tennis @ PL Trny @ Salina South X-Country @ PL Invite @ Hutchinson	10:00am 4:00pm
Wednesday October	10		
Thursday October	11	FB-8 vs Hutchinson FB-7 @ Hutchinson	4:00pm 5:00pm
Friday October	12		

Monday October	15		
Tuesday October	16	7 & 8 Band Concert	6:00pm
Wednesday October	17		
Thursday October	18	7 & 8 Orchestra/Vocal Concert	6:00pm
Friday October	19	NO SCHOOL	
Monday October	22	Parent/Teacher Conferences BOE Meeting @ Central Office	3:30 – 8:00pm 7:00pm
Tuesday October	23	Parent/Teacher Conferences Scholar's Bowl @ Augusta	3:30 – 8:00pm 3:30pm
Wednesday October	24		
Thursday October	25	NO SCHOOL	
Friday October	26	NO SCHOOL	
Monday October	29	Scholar's Bowl @ El Dorado	3:30pm
Tuesday October	30		
Wednesday October	31		





FOR THE FOOD BANK

Do you love to support your McPherson Bullpups? Come to the 7th and 8th grade girls' volleyball games on October 4th at 5:00 p.m. If you love your city as much as you love the Pups bring any canned or boxed food item to the game and receive \$1 off of admission and the joy of donating to the McPherson County Food Bank. We hope you enjoy watching us play Hutchinson!

- Braelynn Patterson
MMS 8th Grade Volleyball Player

MMS HONORS CHOIR 2018/2019

Congratulations to our following students who will be members of our Honors Choir:

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| Holden Allsbury | Asa Keough |
| Carsen Berger | Kelcie Kynaston |
| Kelcy Bergstrom | Tyla Lang |
| Ellie Burns | Kaiden McVicker |
| Sean Meyers | Jayden Werth |
| Alexa Casebeer | Taelyn Naylor |
| Myah Davis | Owen Neighbors |
| Courtney Delaney | Lauren Newcom |
| Dipi Dhananjayan | Treyton Pelnar |
| Kinley Dietrich | Emilee Perkins |
| Alexis Dukes | Stella Robinson |
| Reanna Eilrich | Lauren Rogers |
| Bentley Erbert | Lilly Robinson |
| Kylie Golden | Joslyn Riley |
| Jordyn Hancock | Claire Schmidt |
| Addie Harlin | Jayce Schriner |
| Nethmi Hewawitharana | Jordan Sears |
| Kinlyn Holm | Jentry Sears |
| Kyara Horn | Raj Shah |
| Ellie Hardgrave | Savannah Souder |
| Renae Hendricks | Emma Stein |
| Aspyn Holm | Keanna Sullivan |
| Courtney Huber | Laci Turner |



Sara McCoy is a special education teacher at MMS. She is originally from Michigan. Mrs. McCoy attended college at Southwestern Oklahoma State University where she met her husband. They have two children together, Zella who is 1 and Trey who is 3. She has been a special education teacher for 7 ½ years.

Ryan Martin will be teaching 7th grade Math on the red team this year. He and his wife both graduated from McPherson and is looking forward to teaching at his alma mater. Mr. Martin and his wife have three children who all attend Hesston schools and are very active in sports. Their free time is usually spent in a gym or at a field cheering on their kids.

Mr. Martin attended Fort Hays State University where he played football and majored in physical education. After teaching physical education three years in Burrton schools, he earned his Math endorsement and has been teaching middle school math for the last thirteen years. Eleven of those years were in Hesston Middle School and most recently, two years at Derby Middle School.

During his teaching career, Mr. Martin has coached numerous sports. Most of his years spent coaching football, wrestling, and track. This year I will be helping coach middle school tennis and wrestling. He is always looking for a new adventure and no matter the sport, loves watching kids compete. He is looking forward to being a part of McPherson Schools this year and cheering on the Pups.

Andrea Tully is a new 6th grade Math teacher at MMS. She graduated with her teaching degree from Fort Hays State University and received her Master's Degree in Education from Emporia State University. Mrs. Tully started her career in Wichita teaching middle school math and has spent the last several years teaching 4th grade. Mrs. Tully and her husband, Andy, have three children; Kennedy is 11 years old, Collin is 8, and Tanner is 6. Mrs. Tully is excited to be back in a middle school classroom.



We will be doing hearing and vision screenings in November. Flu shots are recommended for students and now is the time to get them! I will be available at PT conferences as well should you have any questions/concerns.

You are also always welcome to call me at 620-241-9450 or email me at tami.malm@mcpherson.com.



Summer is a great time to work on those Community Service Hours

Community Service hours for 6th-8th graders are 5 hours per year.

Some community service ideas for students could be:

- *yard work for an elderly neighbor
- *volunteering for different activities: at church, church dinners, bible school volunteer, etc.
- *helping out at a daycare babysitting
- *volunteering at the Humane Society or other agencies
- *picking up trash in the afternoon

Students will need to have some sort of adult supervision to vouch for their hours. This can be their parent if their parents participate in their community service or are their witness.

Otherwise, they will enter their supervisor's name, such as a pastor, someone they volunteered to babysit for, their neighbor, etc. Also, summer hours prior to the school year until May will count.



Have questions about the MMS Redesign and what it means for your student? Go to the link provided and it will give you a good look at what is happening at MMS.

<https://sites.google.com/mcpherson.com/mmsredesign/home>



JOIN YOUR FRIENDS FOR BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST IS A GREAT WAY TO BEGIN EACH DAY.

BREAKFAST IS AVAILABLE 20 MINUTES BEFORE THE

START OF THE SCHOOL DAY.

BREAKFAST IS FREE TO STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR FREE MEALS. BREAKFAST IS \$.30 TO STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR REDUCED MEALS

BREAKFAST IS \$1.80 FOR ALL K – 12 STUDENTS THERE ARE SEVERAL OPTIONS ON THE MENU ITEMS DAILY

BREAKFAST IS 7:50 TO 8:10 A.M. EACH MORNING IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION, PLEASE CALL BILL FROESE AT 620-241-9490.



Food 4 Kids is a Kid-Friendly School-based Program—because the most essential school supply is food. Food 4 Kids was established for students who are food insecure and who are not getting sufficient food outside of school on a regular basis. The Food Bank provides food and supplies to Food 4 Kids schools in Kansas, which are operated in partnership with community schools. The Food 4 Kids program allows participating schools to receive food and backpacks from the Kansas Food Bank at no cost so that we can provide food to chronically hungry children.

FOOD 4 KIDS FOODBAGS CONTAIN: Different foods designed to provide nutrition and calories for chronically hungry school children on weekends. Kid friendly foods that require no preparation. Kids can just “open and eat”.

FOR EXAMPLE: Peanut Butter (12-ounce jar) and a sleeve of crackers—Beans and franks (pop-top can)—Beef Jerky (1 ounce)—Cereal (1-ounce bowl or box)—Fruit cups (peaches, applesauce, etc.)—Raisins (snack-size boxes)—Pudding cups—Juice boxes (apple, orange, or other juice)—Milk (aseptic pack boxes that do not require refrigeration)—Cereal bars or granola bars

Please see your school counselor to sign up for Food 4 Kids at your school!!! At MMS, please call Kim Krase or Jeff Allmon at 620-241-9470.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November	1	Scholar's Bowl @ MMS	3:30pm
November	4	Daylight Savings Time Ends—Fall Back	
November	6	7 th grade—tentative Career Day @ HCC Hearing/Vision Screenings PTO Meeting	5:30pm
November	7	7 th grade—tentative Career Day @ HCC Early Dismissal—Staff Dev.	12:30pm
November	8	Scholar's Bowl @ Clearwater	4:00pm
November	9	Dance—PTO Sponsor	6:30pm
November	10	Honors Music Festival	9:30am
November	11	Veteran's Day	
November	12	Veteran's Day Observed BOE Meeting @ Central Office	7:00pm
November	13	Scholar's Bowl @ Hutchinson Wrestling @ Salina South	4:00pm 4:30pm
November	15	Scholar's Bowl @ PL Trny @ Salina So Girls BB vs Salina South Boys BB @ Salina South	3:30pm 4:00pm 5:00pm
November	16	Western Kansas Orchestra Festival	
November	17	Wrestling @ Salina South Inv Girls BB-7 Trny @ Clay Center	9:00am 9:00am
November	19	Girls BB-7 @ Hays Girls BB-8 vs Hays	3:30pm 4:00pm
November	20	8 th Grade HS CTE Trip Wrestling vs Newton & Hutch	4:30pm
November	21	NO SCHOOL —Thanksgiving Break Begins	
November	22	NO SCHOOL —Thanksgiving	
November	23	NO SCHOOL	
November	26	BOE Meeting	7:00pm
November	27	Girls BB-7 @ Manhattan Eisenhower Girls BB-8 vs Manhattan Eisenhower Wrestling @ Hutchinson	3:30pm 4:00pm 4:30pm
November	29	Boys BB vs Hutchinson Girls BB @ Hutchinson	4:00pm 5:00pm

