Welcome to Montour Elementary School

Educate, Innovate, Amaze
Dr. Christopher Stone, Superintendent
Dr. Justin Aglio, Director of K-4 Academic Achievement and K-12 Innovation
Dr. Eric Sparkenbaugh, Director of 5-12 Academic Achievement and K-12 Support Services
Dr. Robert Isherwood, Director of Special Education / Pupil Services
Mr. Darryl Yonkers, Director of Operations
Mr. Jerry Waldorf, Director of Safety and Student Residency
Mr. Jason Burik, Elementary School Principal - Team Discovery
Mr. Jason Shoaf, Elementary School Principal - Team Curiosity
Faculty & Staff

2 Principals
2 Secretaries
3 Guidance Counselors
1.5 Nurses & 1 Nurse Assistant
79 Teachers
24 Paraprofessionals
7 Support Specialists  (OT, PT, Behavior Support, Reading Specialists, & Reading Interns)
8 Custodians
12 Noon Supervisors

Total  138.5
# Faculty & Staff

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**PERSONAL**

- Respect
  - "Treat others as we expect to be treated!"

- Honesty
  - "Make honor a matter of daily living!"

**DISTRICT**

- Putting Children First
  - "The well-being of children above all else!"

- Supporting a Growth Mindset
  - "Effort produces results!"

**VALUES**

- Integrity
  - "Do the right thing!"

- Creating Learning Culture
  - "Leading in the age of empowerment!"
2019-20 Montour School District Goals

1. Cultural Inclusivity Initiative
2. Continue a Learning Culture Within the District
3. Utilize Data to Personalize Student Learning Experiences
4. Provide a Positive, Warm, & Welcoming Environment for Montour Stakeholders
MES Building Facts

• Average Class Size
  K (16)  First Grade (23)  Second Grade (20)  Third Grade (23)  Fourth Grade (25)

• School Wide Positive Behavior Support Plan

• Special Education (Learning Support, Autistic Support, Life Skills, Emotional Support Room, Sensory Room)

• Behavior Support Specialists

• Multi Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

• 173,000 Square Feet

• Full-Size Gym with Rock Climbing Wall

• Flexible Student Seating

• Multiple Maker Spaces

• Incredible Partnerships (Google, CMU, Lego, Minecraft, Robinson Library, YMCA, Barnes & Noble)

• Student Centered

• Focussed on a Growth Mindset

• High Achieving!
Unique Programming

- World’s First Brick Makerspace
- Minecraft Lab
- Upcycle Materials
- Fab Lab
- Personal Learning Time (PLT)
- H.S. Virtual Immersion Lab
- H.S. Planetarium
- Guidance Counselor Lessons
- 26 Club (Miles, Books, Acts of Kindness)
Playground
Student Drop-Off & Pick-Up

• Arrival 8:30 to 8:45 AM
• Late Arrivals / Early Releases
• Excuse Note Needed
• Dismissal 3:15 to 3:30PM
• Visitor Passes
• License Required
• Students are Encouraged to Ride the Bus
Curriculum & Assessments

- Journeys Reading Series
- My Math
- Reading Eggs
- DIBELS Assessments
- Benchmark Assessments in Reading and Math
- PLC’s / Student Action Planning / Data Meetings
- Trimester Report Cards
Attendance

• Written excuses are required for ALL tardies and absences within three (3) days of the absence.
• Include full name, date, and reason.
• A maximum of ten (10) parent/guardian notes can be used to verify an excused absence (Including Family Educational Trips).
• After (3) Unexcused Absences a certified letter is mailed home and you are invited to attend an attendance improvement meeting.
• After (6) Unexcused Absences the Magistrate’s Office and/or Children Youth Families (CYF) may be notified.
Positive Behavior Support Plan

• **3 Bs**
  - Be Safe
  - Be Respectful
  - Be Responsible

In the classroom, cafeteria, office & on the playground, bus….

Posted on MES Website
Student Recognitions & Rewards

• Student of the Month Award
• Spartan Slips
• Monthly Prizes
• Award Assemblies
• Allegheny West Magazine
• Birthdays (Digital board / Policy change)
Health Office

Maureen Callas
Nurse
callasm@montourschools.com

Kathy Burik
Nurse
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Nicole Fraser
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Food Services

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- Free & Reduced Applications
- Elementary Lunch $2.60
- MySchoolBucks.com
Technology

• One-to-One Student Chromebooks
• 75” Interactive Promethean TV’s
• Wireless Infrastructure
• Digital Citizenship Partner - Common Sense Education

• Skyward Student Information System (Grades, Attendance, Contact Info, Link on Website, App) Questions: Skyward@montourschools.com

Please keep your SKYWARD contact information updated!
Google Educational Learning Platforms

Grades K - 2  Google Sites
Grades 3 & 4  Google Classroom
Safety / Security

• Armed Guard / Security Guard
• Visitors / Student Drop-off and Pick-ups
• School Check-In System
• Clearances
• Fire Drills
• Lockdowns
• Door Magnets
• Run, Hide, Fight
• Inclement Weather
• Parent Notifications (Website, Alert Calls / Emails)
Learn About the PTA
Please Visit:

www.montourpta.membershiptoolkit.com
YMCA

- Operates at Montour Elementary School
- Before School Hours 7:00am-8:30am
- After School Hours 3:15-6:00pm
- Enrichment programming including STEM, Arts, Literacy
- Healthy Snack
- Homework Time
- Gross Motor Activities
- Visit MES Website for More Information
What Can Parents Do To Help?

• Talk to your child about the first day of school.
• Let them know that they will be safe and cared for.
• Read books about starting school.
• Review student handbook (located on website).
• Make sure your child is well rested. Begin your school routine now.
• Visit the Parent Resources page of the MES website.
• Share your excitement!
Transportation

Mr. Bob Wagner
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412-787-0408 x4700
wagnerb@montourschools.com

Mrs. Lydia Ziccardi
Secretary
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• Arrive 5 to 10 min early at bus stops

• All school policies / rules apply at bus stop and on bus

• Bus Stop Request Forms Located on Website

• Cameras and Audio Recording

• Schedules are posted on the Website

• Put Your Lanyard On / Ride a Bus Today!
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@Dr_Chris_Stone
@justinaglio
@jasonburikmsd
@jasonshoafmsd