

PACK POST

MIFFLIN COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



2 MANOR DRIVE
LEWISTOWN, PA 17044
717-242-1401

[HTTPS://WWW.MCSDK12.ORG/MCMS/](https://www.mcSDK12.org/mcMS/)

OFFICE HOURS:

7:00 AM - 3:00 PM (SUMMER)

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM (SCHOOL YEAR)

DEAR MCMS PARENTS/GUARDIANS,

It's hard to believe that there are just a few short weeks left of summer! We hope you enjoy this issue of The Pack Post, the MCMS monthly newsletter. In the following pages, you'll find helpful information to prepare you for the start of the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking forward to welcoming our students back to school on Monday, August 26!

MCMS NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Mifflin County Middle School will hold orientation for new students on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024**. The program will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the MCMS auditorium and will consist of a brief informational presentation followed by self-guided building tours.

2024-2025 MEAL PRICES

There is no increase for meal prices this school year. The regular price for lunch is \$3.00. Breakfast will continue to be **FREE** for all students!

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

MCMS is online, on Facebook, and on Instagram! Follow us to keep up with the latest Husky happenings!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, August 12, 2024

Skyward Family Access Opens for Students and Parents/Guardians

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

6:00 p.m.

New Student Orientation

Monday, August 26, 2024

First Day for Students

Friday, August 30, 2024

Act 80 Day - No School for Students

Monday, September 2, 2024

Labor Day - No School for Students

Thursday, September 12, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Back to School Night

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Picture Day

SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS

Family Access is an excellent resource to keep up to date on your student's academic progress, and we encourage you to access it regularly. **You will need to access it to see your child's schedule beginning on August 12 at 3:00 p.m. Bussing information will also be available soon.** If you need login information, please call Mrs. Murphy, the guidance secretary, at 717-242-1401 ext. 6506 for assistance.

REMINDERS FROM THE NURSE



6th Grade Physical Examinations: The school nurse will accept a completed physical examination from up to one year prior to the first day of school this year or at any time during the sixth-grade year. A copy of the child's immunization record must be completed and turned in with the physical.

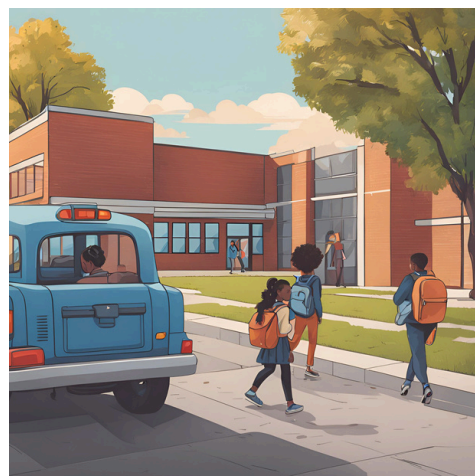
****Remember that exclusion day is September 4, 2024.** Any student going into 7th grade without documented TDAP and Meningococcal vaccines, an exemption on file, or a med cert (documented upcoming doctor appointment on file with the school nurse) will be excluded from school until one of these three things are obtained.

7th Grade Dental: The school nurse will accept a dental form dated from up to one year prior to the school start date or anytime during their seventh-grade year. It is a state requirement that every student in 7th grade must have a dental exam. All physical/dental forms can be picked up in the main office or downloaded from the district website.

These completed forms may be turned into the main office over the summer on Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. or faxed from doctor's office to 717-242-5805.

STUDENT DROP OFF/ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL

- Doors open for student access beginning at 7:30 a.m.
- Students should NOT report to school any earlier than 7:30 a.m. as there is no supervision.
- Prior to the start of school (8:00 a.m.), students should be dropped off and/or picked up in the cafeteria parking lot.
- Students riding a bus will be dropped off in the auditorium parking lot. Busses are the only vehicles permitted in this lot.
- Upon entering the building, students may choose to wait in the auditorium, eat breakfast in the cafeteria, or attend an Early Bird academic session in the library.



SCHOOL COUNSELOR SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Jane Foor and Mr. Andy McCardell are the MCMS school counselors. Mr. McCardle is the 6th grade counselor, and Mrs. Foor is the 7th grade counselor. Our counselors stay with their cohort of students for two years so they can get to know their students and families better. Please contact them if you have any concerns throughout the school year. You can also find additional information about school counseling as well as helpful resources by visiting the [Mifflin County Middle School Counseling Department Website](#).



Mr. Andy McCardell
alm21@mcsdk12.org



Mrs. Jane Foor
jaf28@mcsdk12.org

2024-2025 CHARACTER TRAITS

These 4 character traits will be emphasized throughout the school year at MCMS:

Trustworthiness - Show others by your actions that you are reliable and believable and deserving of their confidence.

Initiative - Take responsible action on your own, without prompting from others.

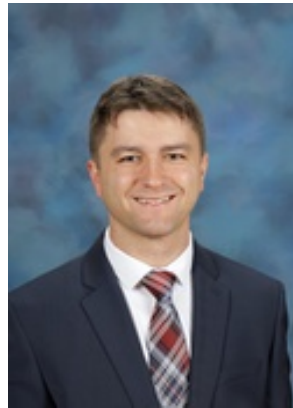
Compassion - Show kindness and concern for others in distress by offering help whenever possible.

Perseverance - Continue to work hard and persist toward the goal even when obstacles and difficulties arise.

PRINCIPAL CONTACT INFO



Mrs. Jennifer Macknair
Principal
jsm33@mcsdk12.org



Mr. Luke Strawser
Assistant Principal
ljs36@mcsdk12.org

MCMS Bell Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	8:08 – 9:09
2	9:12 – 10:00
3	10:03 – 10:51

A Lunch (6th Grade)

Lunch	10:54 – 11:24
4 (4B)	11:27 – 12:15
5 (5B)	12:18 – 1:06

B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:54 – 11:42
Lunch	11:45 – 12:15
5 (5B)	12:18 – 1:06

C Lunch (7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:54 – 11:42
5 (5A)	11:45 – 12:33
Lunch	12:36 – 1:06

6	1:09 – 1:57
7	2:00 – 2:50

Student Dismissal 2:50
2:50 First Run/walkers/pickups
2:52 Second Run
2:54 Third Run

ATHLETIC NEWS

- Fall Sports registration will open June 1. Physicals must be dated 5/1/24 or after. This is a change from previous years. The registration deadlines will be June 10 for Cheerleading, July 31 for V/JV Football and Golf, and August 7 for all other Fall Sports.
- Meet the Huskies Night will take place August 16th at Mitchell Field beginning at 7:00 pm. The public is invited to attend.
- Access the MC Stadium Project page on FB to contribute to the project and become a part of MC History!
- Get the most up-to-date athletic information on our [athletic website](#) and by following [ArbiterLive!](#)
- Check out our [MC Athletics' Facebook page](#), and follow us on Twitter [@MCHuskySports](#) for the most up-to-date information regarding MC Athletics.
- Many sponsorship opportunities are available to support your MC Huskies! Please contact the athletic office for more information.



Geisinger is the official sports medicine and orthopedics provider of the Mifflin County Huskies. Geisinger supports the big dreams of Mifflin County athletics, and whether your dreams include playing in the pros, hiking, or just getting back on your feet, our doctors and healthcare professionals are here for you every step of the way. Learn more at [Geisinger.org/bigdreams](https://www.geisinger.org/bigdreams).