

The WILDCAT REPORT

Maquoketa Valley Community School District's newsletter

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December 2020

Fall/Winter Activities Update

Fall activities gave us a lot to celebrate. Especially the opportunity to compete. That is something we all may have taken for granted at times prior to the Spring of 2020 when Golf/Track were cancelled and then Baseball/Softball were altered but eventually got on the field. That led to a lot of changes, precautions and protocols in order for our student-athletes and teams to be able to compete. As the AD and also Head Coach of one of our teams, it was great to see the level of dedication our athletes and coaches put into it in order to stay on the court, course and field as much as we did this Fall in Cross Country, Football and Volleyball.

During the Fall we celebrated a Conference Champion Boys Cross Country team and their trip to the State Meet in Fort Dodge on Halloween. Our volleyball team finished 2nd in the Tri-Rivers West division and the football team competed well throughout the season while facing 4 ranked teams and won a 1st round playoff game. Our Middle School Football, Volleyball and XC teams all participated, had great participation numbers and managed to play all but one scheduled contest. That in itself, would be deemed a success. We also were able to have our Marching Band and Dance teams perform during our home football games which only makes the atmosphere that much better and gets more students involved.

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Ensures High Levels of Learning to Empower All Students For Lifelong Success.**

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Fall/Winter Activities Update

The Winter season has begun for our High School athletes in Girls and Boys Basketball as well as Wrestling. Our Middle School Girls Basketball and Wrestling seasons were cut short due to a Governor's proclamation not allowing them to continue but we are hopeful a December 10th update will allow for those student-athletes to begin competing again.

Our High School Girls Basketball team is ranked #1/#2 depending on what publication you are looking at and are led by three Seniors who along with their teammates have lofty goals. Coach Moenck currently surpassed 250 Wins at Maquoketa Valley which is an awesome accomplishment for him, his staff and the players who have been so successful over the last 16 years. Our Boys Basketball team is led by a group of Seniors and a few underclassmen who are working hard to compete in one of the best small school conferences in the state if not the best. Our wrestling team is filled with Juniors and Seniors and look to be really tough, especially in the upper weight classes where those Juniors and Seniors mostly fall.

Good luck to our Winter sports coaches and their teams; Girls Basketball-Scot Moenck, Brad Huber, Jesse Wooten and Heidi Hoeger. Boys Basketball-Eric Conner and Dan Cassutt. Wrestling-Kurt Hatfield, Jett Kuhens, Zach Muller and Farr Jebbens.

Varsity Bound

The Varsity Bound app will allow you to stay updated on Maquoketa Valley athletics. Scores, stats, schedules you can find it all here on the app.



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SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Organizational Board Meeting

November 16, 2020

The organizational meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by Superintendent Hoeger at 5:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. There were five board members were present, five staff members and one visitor were also present.

The first order of business was to elect the officers for the 2020-2021 school year. Supt. Hoeger called for nominations for President of the Board of Directors. Donna Kunde was elected as President and Mike Feldmann was elected as Vice-President.

The meeting agenda was approved. The consent items were also approved.

The Board set the monthly meeting date and time for the 2020-2021 year as the third Monday of each month. Meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m.

The Board approved the following district depositories as well as depository limits of \$10,000,000: Heritage Bank, Community Savings Bank, F&M Bank and Citizens State Bank.

One open enrollment request out was approved.

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

Kim Rubner – employed as Elementary Paraprofessional

Travis Ford – employed as TLCS Mentor Teacher

The 2020-2021 SBRC Application for Increasing Enrollment for \$77,744 was approved. This will allow the district to increase spending authority and to levy dollars if needed.

The Board approved the 2020-2021 evaluation documents for Supt. Hoeger.

The virtual schedule for the upcoming IASB Convention was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Maquoketa Valley Activity Calendar

This can be found on the website. Please check that for all activities. Cancellations will be updated on the Maquoketa Valley Website.

Spirit of Giving

It's hard to believe Christmas is quickly approaching! This year, all of the Maquoketa Valley elementary buildings are encouraging the spirit of giving. Instead of exchanging gifts with classmates during their class party, we are encouraging students to donate personal care products for those in need. For those who would like to participate, a holiday tree will be set up in each building to collect shampoo, dish soap (no bar soap please), deodorant, laundry detergent, toothpaste and toilet paper. All donations will be given to Operation New View.

We will begin collecting on Monday, November 30 through Wednesday, December 16. The district will also be collecting donations for the Delaware County Food Pantry at this time. We look forward to the excitement the holidays bring, and to encouraging the spirit of compassion and giving.

Maquoketa Valley Elementary Schools
Delhi, Earlville, and Johnston



With winter and the cold weather upon us, we remind you that our building temperatures are set at 65 degrees. Parents are encouraged to dress your children appropriately. It is perfectly acceptable for your child to wear a sweater or sweatshirt in class in order to stay comfortable.

MV reports their school closings and cancellations to 3 TV stations: KGAN (2), KWWL (7), and KCRG (9) by 6:25 am. They also report them to these radio stations: KMCH and KDST. When bad weather hits, please turn to one of these TV or radio stations. Please DO NOT call the school. Their lines will be busy contacting personnel, other schools, bus drivers, etc.

Text Alert System

The text alert system has been changed. We will be using your information in Power School to alert you. It is important to have your current phone number and email updated. If you have any questions or issues, please call Sarah Lown in the high school office, 563-922-2091.

A Very Virtual Christmas {Concert}!

It's hard to think this week we would be putting the final touches on a wonderful Christmas concert for MV families and community members. However, due to the continuing global pandemic, we are instead preparing virtual Christmas concerts for our MV family. You can look forward to viewing your child's virtual concert **the week of December 14-18**. Each section of each grade has their own song they have been preparing over the last few weeks. Some songs are familiar favorites while others are fun songs that follow each of our themes in Earlville, Hopkinton or Delhi. In Earlville our theme is *SNOW!* In Hopkinton our theme is *Santa Claus is Comin' To Town* and Delhi's theme is *The Sounds of the Season*. We are looking forward to sharing the gift of music in an unconventional yet exciting way! Please watch for us to upload the video on our MV district Facebook page or your child's google classroom. We may also be sending through email, but that will depend on the file size for the video. Again, you can expect to view the concerts on one of the platforms starting **December 14-18**. Once the video is uploaded, you will receive an email with viewing directions. Each building will have a separate "concert," but you will be able to watch all three videos if you wish to do so. The videos can be watched at your convenience, even after December 18th. Feel free to share with other family members and friends!

If you find you are unable to view the video on one of these platforms, please contact your building secretary for alternative arrangements to receive the recording from Mrs. Fisher.



The **MV Middle School** music department is excited to present our annual holiday concert! This event will not be open to the public, but will instead be live-streamed from the middle school gymnasium. This live-stream will happen on **Monday, December 21st at 1:30pm**. Although we won't be able to see you in person, we hope you can join us for a fantastic afternoon of holiday music!

The **MV High School** music department is excited to present our annual holiday concert! Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will be having two separate concerts this year. Our band concert will be **Sunday, December 13th at 2:30pm** in the high school gymnasium. Our choir concert will be **Monday, December 14th at 7:00pm** in St. John's church. Attendance will be limited to (2) guests per student performer. For everyone else, we will be live-streaming both performances to our Maquoketa Valley Facebook page. We hope you can join us either way!

2nd Grade News From Ms. Dutra's Room

The students have been busy this last month. In literacy we have been reading about the Pilgrims and their voyage to America on the Mayflower. We have also been working with a variety of comprehension skills which involve drawing conclusions, studying character traits, and story structure. In math we are working on place value up to 1000, comparing numbers, and adding and subtracting basic facts. Playing math games are a favorite. In social studies the students have been learning about their state and the seven continents. The students are really looking forward to our upcoming unit in science. We will be studying the life cycle of plants, mealworms, milkweed bugs, and caterpillars. The students will be hands on making habitats for these living creatures, as well as observing growth and changes. Our rooms will be full of life.



Exciting things are ahead for December. The students will be working on reading with fluency and expression as they prepare to put on a Christmas play for Johnston Elementary. The first and second grade students will be able to watch from the comfort of their classrooms via Zoom as we present What, No Santa! This is a fun and entertaining reader's theater in which Mrs. Claus just may need to take over for Santa in order to save Christmas. The students are extremely excited! We want to wish you all a wonderful holiday season!

Special Education at Earlville and Johnston

It has been a great start to the school year and transition into fall and winter in the world of special education! Students have been working hard to learn and grow as they receive supplemental and specially designed instruction in the areas of reading, math, writing, and social-emotional skills. They have also enjoyed welcoming Ms. Weets into the classroom, our student teacher, that will be with us until December 11th. The students are eager to teach her our routines and show her their knowledge. This fall has also required us to plan for the possibility of virtual learning, which has given us the opportunity to work even more closely with our partners at Keystone AEA in order to prepare our staff, students, and parents. There is an abundance of resources available at www.keystoneaea.org/parents-families. Including new [at-home digital resources](#) and resources for [parenting during a pandemic](#).

LOOKING for KINDERGARTNERS

We ask your assistance in compiling our list of children that will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2021. Remember a child must be five years old on/before September 15, 2021 in order to be eligible to attend Kindergarten or Junior Kindergarten next fall. All of our Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten students attend school at Earlville Elementary. Please list your own youngster and those of any of your friends or neighbors you believe may have not received this newsletter form. Please complete the form and drop it off or mail it to Maquoketa Valley Schools, 226 Prospect Street Earlville, IA 52041. Thank you!

(Circle One) Child's Name _____

_____ Boy or Girl

Date of Birth _____

Parent's Names _____

Address _____

Phone _____



LOOKING for 4-Year Olds

We also need your assistance in compiling a list of children that will be FOUR years old on/before September 15, 2021 in order to be eligible for Maquoketa Valley's Pre-School program to start next fall. All of our Pre-School students attend school at Earlville Elementary. Please list your own youngster and if you know of any other families that have a 4-year-old, please contact them. Simply complete this form and drop it off or mail it to Maquoketa Valley Schools, 226 Prospect Street, Earlville, IA 52041. Thank you!

(Circle One) Child's Name _____

_____ Boy or Girl

Date of Birth _____

Parent's Names _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Mentoring Matters!

Attention high school Juniors: We need you! You have made it to the final years of your undergraduate educational journey! We are so proud of you for your accomplishments and all that you have strived for. As you move forward, I want to remind you of the young eyes that are on you, searching for someone to lead them and give them direction in who they would like to be. You have an awesome opportunity to be a friend to someone who needs you. That's called mentoring, and we would like to provide you an opportunity to serve in that capacity. Please consider becoming a mentor through Youth Mentoring at Helping Services!

How does this work?

*First, contact Meg. I am the Youth Mentoring Coordinator for Helping Services. You can reach me at (563) 379-3454 or mgelner@helpingservices.org. You can call, text, or email me and I will get you an application to fill out.

*After an interview and your training, I will connect you with a student, age 6-16, that needs someone like you in their life.

* It only takes one hour of your time per week to make a lifetime of difference for someone! During that time you can do fun activities with your mentee: board games, crafts, reading, playing outside, or even helping them with their homework.

Not only will you be enriching the life of someone else and creating a lifelong relationship, you could also earn volunteer hours, build your resume, or build your scholarship applications. Martin Luther King Jr. said, "No work is insignificant. All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence." I hope you choose to join us, and to uplift humanity by making a difference in the life of someone who needs you.





Apple - Frozen and Ready to Bake - \$12

Frozen Apple: Pick up at Earlville Community Center:

Saturdays: November 7, 14, 21 and December 5

Pecan - Fresh and Ready to Serve - \$15

Fresh Pecan: Pick up at Earlville Community Center:

Sundays: November 22 and December 20



To Order:

Call Ami Steil at 563-608-2132 or

Email asteil81@gmail.com

Name _____ Phone _____

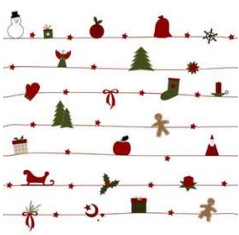
of Apple _____ (\$12 each)

of Pecan _____ (\$15 each)

Pick up (choose from dates listed above): _____


Total Due: \$ _____

Make checks payable to M.V. Post Prom. THANK YOU!



DECEMBER 2020



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 SUB ON WG BUN SUN CHIPS CELERY SIDE KICK LONG JOHN	2 OUT AT 1:00PM CORN DOG TATER TOTS CORN PEARS STR. CR. CHEESE BAGEL	3 MR. RIB ON WG BUN STEAK FRIES BAKED BEANS ORANGES MINI FRENCH TOAST	4 CHEESY BREADSTICKS/ PIZZA DIPPERS MARINARA BROCCOLI APPLES YOGURT/GOLDFISH/BL. BERRIES
7 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK W/GRAVY MASHED POTATOES CORN PEARS COMBO ON WG BUN	8 GRILLED CHICKEN/WG BUN POTATO TRIANGLE CARROTS APPLES OMELET/CROISSANT	9 NO SCHOOL TODAY	10 BBQ PORK/WG BUN HASH BROWN BAKED BEANS BANANA MINI PANCAKES	11 SPAGHETTI GARLIC BREAD BROCCOLI ORANGES BREAKFAST PIZZA
14 CHICKEN TETRAZZINI BREADSTICK PEAS APPLES CINNAMINI	15 TENDERLOIN STEAK FRIES CARROTS ORANGES WG CINNAMON ROLL	16 OUT AT 1:00PM PIZZA BREAKSTICK MARINARA BROCCOLI PEARS BREAKFAST PIZZA	17 WG MAC & CHEESE BREADSTICK PEAS & CARROTS STR. APPLESAUCE WAFFLES	18 CHICKEN MASHED POTATOES/GRAVY DINNER ROLL GREEN BEANS STRAWBERRIES SAUS/EGG/BISCUIT
21 CHILI WG BREADSTICK CARROTS MIXED FRUIT PANCAKE ON A STICK	22 OUT AT 1:00PM. CHEESEBURGER/WG BUN FRENCH FRIES VEGETABLE COOKS CHOICE FRUIT COOKS CHOICE CINN. ROLL	HAPPY HOLIDAYS	ENJOY YOUR BREAK	
		PARENTS: YOUR CHILD CAN RECEIVE 1 FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH EVERYDAY THIS SCHOOL YEAR. SECONDS (EXTRA LUNCH ENTREE) EXTRA MILK AND STRING CHEESE COST YOU THE PARENT.	ATTENTION PARENTS: IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP A POSITIVE BALANCE IN YOUR STUDENTS ACCOUNT AT ALL TIMES (9-12) = HS ONLY WG= WHOLE GRAIN	THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER. EVERY MEAL IS SERVED WITH A 8 OZ MILK ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME.