# The WILDCAT REPORT

Maquoketa Valley Community School District's newsletter

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December 2019

### **Fall/Winter Activities Update**

Fall activities gave us a lot to celebrate. We had a conference Champion volleyball team for the first time since 1996, state qualifying cross country boys team that placed 5th and Emma Doyl qualified as an individual. Our football team played well throughout the year and ended it on a 3-game winning streak. Our marching band got a lot of adults/kids involved and put on a great show each Friday night. The musical "Bright Star" was a must see performance and our FFA group attended Nationals. Our Dance Team will be headed to state competition on December 5th and have multiple performances throughout the Fall. We had many positives from the Fall and we now look forward to a successful Winter season with Basketball, Wrestling, Speech, Dance, Choir, Band and much more. Go Cats!

### **Volt Training Program Update**

Since June our athletes have utilized a training program called Volt Athletics. We have seen tremendous growth in terms of overall strength, mobility and in many other ways that go unnoticed. Throughout the Fall our football, volleyball and cross country teams all utilized the program on a structured schedule that helped them stay strong and healthy throughout their seasons. Off-season athletes also utilized the program to prepare themselves for upcoming Winter or Spring sports. On any given day, there are 30-45 athletes that utilize the weight room with their respective teams and coaches. Currently, our Winter athletes are lifting two times per week with their respective teams and our off-season athletes are lifting three to four times per week to prepare themselves for an upcoming competitive phase. We look forward to seeing continued progress throughout the year. As a group we will have completed over 3,000+ workouts before the end of the week. Check the Maquoketa Valley Community Schools Facebook page to see more information about Volt and our athletes. Thank you athletes for the hard work you have put into it, coaches for helping supervise and motivate and to any of the parents who have helped get your son/daughter here for a morning workout. It is appreciated. (continued on next page)

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Important Upcoming Dates
Thu. 12/5 MVDT State Performance
Sat. 12/7 First Home JV/V BB Games
Thu. 12/19First Home HS Wrestling Meet
Sun. 1/5 Mini-Cat Wrestling Tournament
Sat. 1/11 HS Dual Wrestling Tournament

#### **Varsity Bound**

The Varsity Bound app will allow you to follow Maquoketa Valley athletics during games whether you are at the game or not. Scores, stats, schedules you can find it all here on the app. Game updates will be posted when possible to Facebook on the Maquoketa Valley Community School District page for those not able to make the games.



### "Spread the Warmth"

"Spread the Warmth" this holiday season by donating hats & mittens. Again this year in all Elementary and the Middle School commons area, holiday trees will be set up ready to collect hats, mittens, and scarves for students who need a little extra warmth this winter season. We will also be collecting items for the food pantry. Your child can bring the items to the office area or add them to the tree themselves. All hats & mittens will be donated to students and local agencies in the area to be distributed to children. We will be collecting the items until Monday, December 16th. Together we can "Spread the Warmth" this holiday season.

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.

If you would like to be added to the MV Text alert, contact Cheryl Gates at 563-922-2091.

#### SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

## Organizational Board Meeting November 18, 2019

The organizational meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by Superintendent Tuetken at 6:00 p.m. in the Earlville Elementary Conference Room in Earlville, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. There were five board members were present, six staff members and five visitors were also present.

Supt. Tuetken reported the official results of the Board election that was held on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Election results reported were as follows: in Director District #1, Donna Kunde received 478 of the 486 votes casted and was duly elected for the office of Maquoketa Valley School Board Director District #1 for a term of four years; in Director District #5, John Zietlow received 476 of the 481 votes casted and was duly elected for the office of Maquoketa Valley School Board Director District #5 for a term of four years. The Board approved the canvas of results.

The first order of business was to elect the officers for the 2019-2020 school year. Supt. Tuetken 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.

Ann Grant and some members of the Maquoketa Valley's National FFA Team presented the Board with a brief presentation of their recent experience at the National Convention. The Board along with Supt. Tuetken would like to thank Mrs. Grant for her work with the students in preparation for this convention.

The consent items were approved.

The Board set the monthly meeting date and time for the 2019-2020 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.

The following personnel recommendations were approved:

Jeff Edwards – employed as High School Ag Teacher (upon passing Praxis test)

Macy Anderegg – employed as High School Assistant Coach (upon receiving Coaching Authorization)

Language changes to board policy 711.7 School Bus Safety Instruction and 711.10 School Bus Passenger Restraints were reviewed and approved on the first official reading.

Board Policy Series 800 were rescinded. The board then approved the updated Board Policy Series 800 on the first official reading.

The 2020-2021 SBRC Modified Allowable Growth for Dropout Prevention was approved. The Board approved the maximum allowed by state law.

The 2019-2020 SBRC Application for Increasing Enrollment for \$44,457.60 was approved. This will allow the district to increase spending authority and to levy dollars if needed.

The Board approved the 2019-2020 Voluntary Early Separation of Certified Staff, Voluntary Early Separation of Classified Salaried Staff and the Voluntary Early Separation of Classified Hourly Staff. The Board approved a separation package of \$55,120 for both Certified Staff and Classified Salaried Staff and \$12,000 for Classified Hourly Staff. These funds will be paid out in three equal installments into a Health Reimbursement Arrangement account. The first installment will begin in August of 2020.

Board policy series 900 will be reviewed and approved in December.

Due to the holiday concert, the December board meeting will be begin at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The Board will then travel to Ryan for a joint legislative session with the North Linn School Board.

Suggestions for the featured speaker for the 2020 Academic Excellence Banquet were discussed and noted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

### UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

Delhi United Methodist Church is collecting pop tabs for Camp Courageous of Iowa. Camp Courageous is a year-round camp for youth, kids, and adults with disabilities. It is located in Monticello, IA. The camp is run entirely on donations. Pop tabs can be sent to Delhi Elementary/Middle School with your student.

DeAnna Hogan, in the library, will be managing these donations. Farr Jebens, member of the Visitation Ministry Team at the church, will then collect them. More information about Camp Courageous of lowa can be found at www.campcourageous.org. Thank you for your help in raising money for this organization!



### **MV Fine Arts Boosters**

Welcoming ALL parents who want to be involved with their kids!

You are already a member and it is free! Supporting kids from **Band**, **Choir**, **Speech**, **Drama**,

and any other fine arts at Maquoketa Valley.

Join us at the next Fine Arts Booster Meeting, **December 9th, @ 5:30 PM** in the HS

Cafeteria and see what we are all about!!

# Athletic Boosters Need YOU!!!

The Maquoketa Valley Athletic Boosters are looking for members who would like to be involved in helping organize and run our events. The Athletic Boosters meet the **first Wednesday of every month** (except July) at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Please consider sharing your time & talents so that we may continue to provide the needed assistance to our athletic programs.

Maquoketa Valley High School
Music
Christmas Concert
Monday December 9
7 pm, St. John's Church

RIng in your "Holiday Spirit" with The Maquoketa Valley Concert Band, Jazz Band, Jazz Choirs, Barbershop Quartet and Concert Choir as they present their annual Christmas concert at St. John's Church in Delhi on December 9 at 7pm. Admission is free.

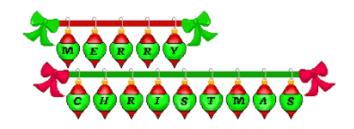
Selections to be performed are: The African Angel Carol, Winter Cantabile, The Little Drummer Boy, Legacy Overture, On a Catalonian Carol, Jingle Bell Fantasy, We Three Kings, Carol of the Bells, The Man With the Bag, Sleigh Ride, The Sunny Side of the Street, The Christmas Song and Peaceful Silent Night.

Please join us in the fellowship hall for cookies and punch at the conclusion of the concert.

#### **Annual Christmas Concerts... Save the Date!**

It's the most wonderful time of the year in music class and in 5th grade band! Everyone is working hard to prepare for our upcoming Christmas concert in December. This year's theme will be *Joy*. Each of the songs selected for the concert are songs that are about the Joy that the Christmas season brings and songs that bring joy to us while we sing them. You will hear a few traditional Christmas tunes as well as some original songs that are full of Christmas jokes and about bracing for the winter weather. We look forward to sharing some energetic music with our families, friends, and teachers. We hope we can get everyone in the mood for the holidays!

Please put **Monday**, **December 16** on your calendar for the MV Elementary Christmas concerts this year. Also, please keep in mind that parking will be at a premium prior to both concerts that evening so plan accordingly. More information will follow with details for dropping off and picking up students at designated locations. Feel free to email or call Ms. Hesse with any questions you may have.



#### Middle School Christmas Program

The 6-8 grade music students will present their annual Christmas Concert on **December 18th at 1:30 pm** in the Middle School Gym. Holiday tunes will be performed by the 6th grade music class, 6th grade band, 7th and 8th grade chorus, 7th and 8th grade band and jazz band, along with some small group/solo performances. Hope to see you there!

7th and 8th Grade Chorus Presents....

#### Elf JR, The Musical

Saturday Dec. 14, 2pm Maquoketa Valley Auditorium

Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased from the middle school office from December 9-13. Additional tickets will be available for purchase at the door on the 14th.

Cast members include: Leijhton Deutmeyr- Santa Claus, Noah Ingles- Buddy, Ryan Aulwes- Charlie, Jada Knipper-Shawanda, Samantha DeMoss- Sam, Haley Ronnebaum-Deb, Jake Gellersen- Walter Hobbs, Adeline Rudd-Emily Hobbs, Arion Rave- Michael Hobbs, Sebastian Charles- Macy Manager, Kaitlyn Nolan- Jovie, Jordan Staner- Fake Santa, Keylee Cole- Sarah, Amanda Pohlman- Chadwick, Livia Hermanson- Matthews, Logan Clemen- Greenway, Leah Reicher- Charlotte Denon, Morgan Krumviede- Darlene Lambert, Allison Hogan-Emma Van Brocklin

Elves- Cecily Trenkamp, Lili Bauers, Alissa Bush, Ava Goldsmith, Addie Hucker, Joellen Beitz, Isabella Mensen, Allison Hogan, Mason Jolley, Cadence Freiburger, McKenna Bush, Hailey Klaren

New Yorkers- Bianka Ronnebaum, Jordan Hatfield, Josie Teymer, Lauren Knock, Julia Ambundo, Levi Steil, Leah Reicher, Zari Ambundo, Ella Wulfekuhle, Chantel Crowley, Chloe Pitts, Briana Heims, Kaitlyn Nolan, Sebastian Charles, Morgan Krumviede

Security Guards- Morgan Krumviede, Briana Heims Police- Jordan Hatfield, Bianka Ronnebaum

Macy's Workers- Chloe Pitts, Josie Teymer, Lauren Knock, Julia Ambundo, Cecily Trenkamp, Ava Goldsmith, Cadence Freiburger, Joellen Beitz, Allison Hogan, Isabella Mensen, McKenna Bush, Mason Jolley, Hailey Klaren, Ryan Aulwes, Jada Knipper, Chantel Crowley

Parents/Children- Levi Steil, Zari Ambundo, Ella Wulfkuhle, Leah Reicher, Addie Hucker, Lili Bauers

### Iowa High School and National Federation of State High School

#### **Athletic Associations**

#### Memo

Enclosed below is a memo from Tom Keating, Iowa's newly hired Executive Director of the Iowa High School Athletic Association (IHSAA), in conjunction with Karissa Niehoff, Executive Director of the National Federation of State High School Associations. This memo is a reminder from these Executive Directors of what appropriate adult behavior should be at our athletic events. Across the nation, and including Iowa, we have seen a significant increase of inappropriate adult behaviors at all levels of our athletic events. In the data that has been collected this has reached epidemic proportions.

When more than 2,000 high school athletic directors were asked in a recent national survey what they like least about their job, 62.3 percent said it was, "dealing with aggressive parents and adult fans."

And the men and women who referee or umpire those contests agree. In fact, almost 60 percent of new officials registered in Iowa in 2016-17 did not return to officiate in 2017-18, and unruly parents are often cited as a major reason why. As a result, there is a growing shortage of high school officials here in Iowa, and in baseball, football, track and field, and wrestling, the IHSAA is seeing record lows. No officials means no games.

If you are a parent attending a high school athletic event this year, you can help by following these six guidelines:

- 1. Act your age. You are, after all, an adult. Act in a way that makes your family and school proud.
- **2. Don't live vicariously through your children.** High school sports are for them, not you. Your family's reputation is not determined by how well your children perform on the field of play.
- 3. Let your children talk to the coach instead of doing it for them. High school athletes learn how to become more confident, independent and capable—but only when their parents don't jump in and solve their problems for them.
- **Stay in your own lane.** No coaching or officiating from the sidelines. Your role is to be a responsible, supportive parent, not a coach or official.
- 5. Remember: Participating in a high school sport is not about a college scholarship. According to the NCAA, only about two percent of all high school athletes are awarded a sports scholarship, and the average total value of that scholarship is only around \$18,000.
- 6. Make sure your children know you love watching them play. Do not critique your child's performance on the car ride home. Participating in high school sports is about character development, learning and having fun-not winning and losing.

Purchasing a ticket to a high school sporting event does not give you the right to be rude, disrespectful, or verbally abusive. Cheer loud and be proud, but please also be responsible and considerate as a spectator. The future of high school sports in Iowa is dependent on you.



Dear Families,

The Box Tops for Education program is changing the way we can earn cash for our school!

Over the summer, participating brands have begun to change their packaging from the traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.









Going forward, instead of clipping from packages and checking expiration dates, all Box Tops will be earned digitally by scanning your receipt. The Box Tops for Education team has worked hard to build a NEW-and-improved, user-friendly Box Tops mobile app, available now.

The new app features state-of-the-art technology that allows you to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

## BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD THE NEW APP OR UPDATE YOUR EXISTING APP:





If you still have traditional Box Tops clips at home, make sure to send them to school. We will still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire. Better yet, you can "double dip" during the packaging transition by clipping traditional Box Tops AND scanning your store receipt containing participating products.

Thanks for helping our school get what it needs!

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SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

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# EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

Box Tops earnings are identified and automatically updated at BTFE.com.

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## **BOX TOPS CLIPS ON PACKAGES**

Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. You can still clip these and send them to school. Please make sure each clip has a valid expiration date.









## **LOOKING for KINDERGARTNERS**

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We ask your assistance in compiling our list of children that will be entering kindergarten in the fall of 2020. Remember a child must be five years old on/before September 15, 2020 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 _			
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Phone			
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## **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, 2020 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!

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Parent's Names	
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
I	2 J4:00 HBB@North Linn HOME 4:15 JHWR@Bellevue 5:30 HSWR@North Linn-	3 4:30 JHWR@Colesburg 5:00 HSWR@Jesup	4 6:30 AB@HS Cafeteria	5 Dance Team – State Dance – Des Moines 4:00 JHBB- East Buchanan - HOME	6 Dance Team – State Dance – Des Moines 4:30 HSJV/V BG BB@ O'Donnell's Athletic Center	7 NEIBA Honor Band I:00 HSJV/V BGBB- HOME- Monticello
8	9 4:00 JHBB@Springville 5:30 FAB@HS Cafeteria 7:00 HS Band/Choir Christmas Concert@ St. John's Church	4:30 HSJV/V BG BB@	II 1:05 DISMISSAL@all centers Teacher PD 7:00 FFA Monthly meeting – RM 307	12 4:00 JHBB- HOME – ED-CO 4:30 HSJV/V BG BB@ Sumner- Fredericksburg	13 4:30 HSJV/V BG BB@ Springville	I4 2:00 MS Musical – " Elf, Jr."
15	16 5:30 School Board Mtg 6:15 Elementary Christmas Concert	17 4:00 JHBB@West Delaware 4:30 HSJV/V BG BB@ HOME – Lisbon 5:30 HSWR@NFV	18 1:30 MS Band/Choir Christmas Concert	19 6:00 HSWR@HOME	20 I:05 DISMISSAL@all centers – Christmas Break 4:00-8:00 FFA Soup Supper 4:30 HSJV/V BG BB@ HOME – East Buchanan	2I
22	23 NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK	24 NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK	NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS	26 NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK	27 NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK	28
29	30 NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK	31 NO SCHOOL – CHRISTMAS BREAK				

# **DECEMBER 2019**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 WG PIG-N-BLANKET TATER TOTS SWEET POTATO FRIES CORN BROCCOLI APPLES STRAWBERRIES	3 CHICKEN TETRAZZINI PEANUT BUTTER SAND. LETTUCE PEAS PEARS ORANGES	4 SUB ON WG BUN HASHBROWN PATTY PEAS & CARROTS CARROT STICKS HUMMUS PEACHES WG CHERRY BARS	5 BBQ PORK ON WG BUN CHEESY POTATOES BAKED BEANS MIXED VEGGIES COLESLAW PINEAPPLE APPLESAUCE	6 LASAGNA WG GARLIC BREADSTICK LETTUCE TOMATO CUCUMBER MIXED FRUIT YOGURT
COMBO ON WG BUN	WG CINNAMON ROLL	FRENCH TOAST	BREAKFAST CHOICE	SCR. EGGS & TOAST
9 CHILI WG GARLIC BREADSTICK LETTUCE CARROTS ORANGES APPLESAUCE BREAKFAST PIZZA	10 WG SOFT SHELL TACO REFRIED BEANS FIESTA SALAD RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE MANDARIN ORANGES SAUSAGE EGG MUFFIN	11 OUT AT 1:00 PM MR RIB ON WG BUN HASHBROWN PATTY BAKED BEANS CALIFORNIA BLEND PEACHES ORANGES WAFFLES	12 GR. CHICKEN WG SCHOOL ROLL LETTUCE PEAS & CARROTS PEARS BLUEBERRIES  OMELET & TOAST	13 PIZZA WG GARLIC BREADSTICK LETTUCE CUCUMBER TOMATO PEARS APPLES PANCAKE ON A STICK
16 WG MAC & CHEESE WG CINNAMON ROLL LETTUCE BROCCOLI ORANGES STRAWBERRIES  PANCAKE & SAUSAGE	17 BBQ PORK CHEESY POTATOES BAKED BEANS MIXED VEGGIES COLESLAW PINEAPPLE APPLESAUCE WG CINNAMON ROLL	18 TENDERLOIN NATURAL CUT FRIES MIXED VEGGIES BAKED BEANS PEACHES APPLES  SAUSAGE EGG BISCUIT	19 HAMBURGER ON WG BUN CHEESE FRENCH FRIES WINTER MIX PEARS BLUEBERRIES  COMBO	20 OUT AT 1:00 PM CHICKEN NUGGETS WG SCHOOL ROLL MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY CORN STRAW. APPLESAUCE COOKIE BREAKFAST CHOICE
		HAPPY HOLIDAYS ENJOY YOUR BREAK		
		BREAKFAST CHOICES: ENTREE OF THE DAY CEREAL CHOICES BAGEL CHOICES PBJ YOGURT  (9-12) SALAD BAR WILL BE OFFERED FOR STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL EVERY DAY.	ATTENTION PARENTS; IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP A POSITIVE BALANCE IN YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT AT ALL TIMES	THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER.  EVERY MEAL IS SERVED WITH AN 8 OZ MILK  ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME  WG= WHOLE GRAIN