

The WILDCAT REPORT

Maquoketa Valley Community School District's newsletter

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What is a Revenue Purpose Statement?

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It is a ballot issue that describes the allowed uses for the 1-cent sales tax in the State of Iowa that is dedicated to all Iowa school districts. This \$.01 sales tax is known as SAVE (Secured an Advanced Vision for Education). Maquoketa Valley's current Revenue Purpose Statement was originally passed in May of 2003. Our district did this to outline the allowed uses for our SAVE fund, as required by law.

What do we currently do with the \$.01 sales tax revenue?

Over the past 10-years we have used this fund to pay down the debt levy on Delhi Elementary, Delhi Middle School and Earlville Elementary. We have used this revenue to pay for computers for our students and technology infrastructure for our buildings. The revenue has been used to purchase buses, update building security, classroom and entrance doors. It has also been used to purchase and install energy efficient lighting, update entryways and sidewalks into our buildings, make roof and brick repairs and replace the boiler at our high school.

Why is this important now?

Our district's current Revenue Purpose Statement sunsets, or ends after a fixed period of time, in 2022. We would like to extend our current Revenue Purpose Statement until 2029, which is allowed by Iowa law. With the extension, we can work with our local banks to structure revenue bonds against our current SAVE revenue. This will allow us to make much-needed repairs to all of the facilities in our district. Our high school was constructed in 1965. Although the "bones" of this facility are strong, after 51 years, it is in need of some significant repairs, updating and remodeling to bring it into the 21st century. Earlville Elementary, Johnston Elementary, Delhi Elementary and Delhi Middle School also need some upgrading and repair work.

Will this raise my taxes?

The answer to this is a definite **NO**. This will absolutely *not* raise your taxes. This is the primary reason we would like to extend our current Revenue Purpose Statement. By extending our Revenue Purpose Statement until 2029, we can generate the necessary funds to complete the remodeling without asking our patrons to pass a bond referendum and without raising our taxes. Without your support to extend our Revenue Purpose Statement, it will be extremely difficult to update our facilities to meet the 21st century needs of our children. (continued on next page)

(continued from front page) What is a Revenue Purpose Statement?

This is NOT a vote on the SAVE funding. This is NOT a vote to increase the SAVE \$.01 sales tax. The sales tax rate is set by the legislature. *This is only a vote to extend our current Revenue Purpose Statement language to 2029* The sole purpose of the Revenue purpose Statement is to describe and outline the uses for which the \$.01 sales tax may be used at Maquoketa Valley.

When will the Revenue Purpose Statement vote be held?

The vote is scheduled for April 5, 2016. I would encourage you to get out and vote on April 5th, or contact the Delaware County Auditors office at 563-927-4701 to vote by absentee ballot. It is an important decision for our district, our facilities and our kids. Listed below are additional frequently asked questions that will provide additional information regarding our Revenue Purpose Statement and the April 5th vote. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Doug Tuetken or Erika Imler at 563-922-9422.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Why does it require a vote?

Bringing the Revenue Purpose Statement to voters for approval was a requirement imposed by the Iowa Legislature in 2008. The requirements for a Revenue Purpose Statement election are specifically stated in Iowa Code 423E. This section of the law requires the Board of Directors to adopt a Revenue Purpose Statement, subject to the approval of the electors, listing the proposed use of these funds.

Do we currently have a Revenue Purpose Statement in place and in general terms, what uses will be allowed under the Revenue Purpose Statement?

The Maquoketa Valley Community School District currently has a **Revenue Purpose Statement**. The language outlined below identifies what is allowed under our current statement: Money received from the local sales and services tax for school infrastructure may be spent for any one or more of the following purposes: To provide funds to build and furnish a new school building or buildings; to build and furnish addition(s) to school buildings in the District; to remodel, repair, expand, and improve the school buildings in the District; to purchase and improve grounds; for demolition work; to furnish and equip district facilities. Monies may also be shared with other public bodies within the district, including cities, and unincorporated areas whose boundaries in whole or in part encompass the area of the district, pursuant to a revenue sharing agreement in accordance with Section 423E.5, Code of Iowa, as amended. Monies may be used for emergency repairs to respond to natural disasters, such as fire, wind damage, flood; unanticipated mechanical, plumbing, structural, roof, electrical system failures; environmental remediation; or to respond to changes in demographics that require construction of additions or improvements to school buildings or new school buildings. Monies may also be used for the purchase, lease or lease-purchase of buildings or equipment (including transportation and recreation equipment) as authorized by law, to implement energy conservation measures, sharing or rental of facilities, procuring or acquisition of libraries, or opening roads to schoolhouses or buildings. Monies also may be used to establish and maintain public recreation places and playgrounds; provide for supervision and instruction for recreational activities; or for community education purposes; and any other authorized expenditures and purposes as permitted by law or hereafter authorized by law and designated by the Maquoketa Valley Community School District.

Monies may be used for payment of principal and interest or retirement of general obligation bonds issued for school infrastructure purposes, loan agreements authorized by Iowa Code section 297.36, sales tax revenue bonds issued under Iowa Code section 423E.5, and property tax relief.

Will passage of the Revenue Purpose Statement require a "super majority"?

No! Only a simple majority is (50% +1) is needed for passage.

What happens if the Revenue Purpose Statement is not approved?

Iowa law requires a minimum of six months to elapse before another Revenue Purpose Election can be held. If the original version is not approved, either the same or a revised Statement can be brought back to our voters.

Will voting by absentee ballot be possible?

Yes. Please contact the Delaware County Auditors office at 563-927-4701.

Additional Ouestions?

Please do not hesitate to contact Doug Tuetken or Erika Imler at 563-922-9422.

MARCH 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
ATTENTION PARENTS IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP MONEY IN YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT AT ALL TIMES. MAQUOKETA VALLEY SCHOOL IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER	1 MR RIB POTATO PUFFS BAKED BEANS CALIFORNIA BLEND PEACHES ORANGES	2 HAM WG SCHOOL ROLL BAKED POTATO SWEET POTATOES BROCCOLI APPLESAUCE APRICOTS	3 MEATBALL SUB FRENCH FRIES CARROT STICKS CELERY STICKS HUMMUS APPLES TROPICAL FRUIT CARNIVAL COOKIE	4 FISH NUGGETS WG SCHOOL ROLL POTATO PUFFS COTTAGE CHEESE WINTER MIX CARROT STICKS APPLES BANANA
	BREAKFAST BURRITO	PANCAKES & SAUSAGE	BREAKFAST CHOICE	FRENCH TOAST
7 WEINER WINKS POTATO TRIANGLE CORN CARROT STICKS HUMMUS STRAWBERRIES PEARS	8 MEXICAN GOULASH WG GARLIC BREADSTICK ROMAINE LETTUCE FRESH BROCCOLI APPLES TROPICAL FRUIT	9 HAMBURGER ON WG BUN CHEESE FRENCH FRIES BAKED BEANS WINTER MIX FRUIT COCKTAIL STRAWBERRY APPLESAUCE	10 CHICKEN FAJITAS REFRIED BEANS FIESTA SALAD RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE PEACHES BLUEBERRIES	11 MACARONI & CHEESE WG CINNAMON ROLL ROMAINE LETTUCE PEAS APPLESAUCE KIWI
BREAKFAST BAGEL	SAUSAGE EGG MUFFIN	СОМВО	PANCAKE ON A STICK	OMELET & TOAST
14 PIG N BLANKET POTATO TRIANGLE SWEET POTATO FRIES CORN BROCCOLI STRAWBERRIES PEACHES COMBO	15 CHICKEN TETRAZZINI WG PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH ROMAINE LETTUCE PEAS PEARS APPLES WG CINNAMON ROLL	16 BBQ PORK ON A WG BUN CHEESY POTATOES MIXED VEGETABLES COLESLAW GRAPES APPLESAUCE BREAKFAST PIZZA	17 TACO SALAD REFRIED BEANS FIESTA SALAD RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE MANDARIN ORANGES PANCAKES & SAUSAGE	CHEESE PIZZA WG GARLIC BREADSTICK ROMAINE LETTUCE CUCUMBER TOMATOES FRESH PINEAPPLE MIXED FRUIT SCR. EGGS & TOAST
21 HOT BEEF OPEN FACE COTTAGE CHEESE BROCCOLI CAULIFLOWER APPLES PEACHES BREAKFAST PIZZA	22 SUB SANDWICH HASHBROWN CARROT STICKS CELERY STICKS HUMMUS TROPICAL FRUIT ' ORANGES WG APPLE CRISP BREAKFAST WRAP	23 HAMBURGER ON WG BUN CHEESE FRENCH FRIES BAKED BEANS WINTER MIX FRUIT COCKTAIL STRAWBERRIES & BANANAS PANCAKE ON A STICK	24 BAKED CHICKEN MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY GREEN BEANS SWEET POTATOES APPLESAUCE BLUEBERRIES JELLO CAKE BREAKFAST CHOICE	NO SCHOOL ENJOY YOUR BREAK
28 NO SCHOOL	29 NO SCHOOL	30 CHICKEN NUGGETS WG SCHOOL ROLL MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY CORN BROCCOLI FRUIT COCKTAIL PEACHES COMBO	31 SPAGHETTI WG FRENCH BREAD ROMAINE LETTUCE CUCUMBER STRAWBERRY APPLESAUCE PEARS BREAKFAST PIZZA	EVERY MEAL IS SERVED WITH A 8 OZ. MILK ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME. WG=WHOLE GRAIN

Regular Board Meeting

February 15, 2016

The regular meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President John Zietlow at 5:15 p.m. in the Middle School Conference Room in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. Four board members were present. There were five staff and one visitor present. The agenda and consent items were approved.

Early separation requests from Beth Porter, Rhea Knott and Barb Hollinrake were approved. The Board as well as Supt. Tuetken expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Knott and Ms. Hollinrake and their dedication to the Maquoketa Valley Community School District.

The Board adopted the budget guarantee as follows: RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Maquoketa Valley Community School District will levy property tax for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the regular program budget adjustment as allowed under lowa Code section 257.14. Roll call vote was answered all ayes.

The Maquoketa Valley 2016-2017 school calendar was approved. The first day of school will be August 23, 2016.

The following personnel recommendations were approved:
Ann Grant – Letter of Assignment as Assistant
Individual Speech Coach
Chris Hadley – Letter of Assignment as Assistant
Individual Speech Coach
Melissa Dugan – employed as SPED Bus Route Driver

Supt. Tuetken shared property valuation information for FY16 and FY17 as well as a history of property tax levy rates.

At 5:45 p.m. the Board entered into a closed session for a collective bargaining strategy session as provided in Iowa Code 20.17(3). Roll call vote was answered all ayes.

At 5:58 p.m. the Board entered into open session.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.



Change A Child's Story

The Delhi United Methodist Church is getting involved with the initiative put out by the Iowa United Methodist Conference, "Change a Child's Story" literacy project. The goal is to give books and give time to children to promote literacy. Our vision is to obtain donations/acquire grants/purchase books, to get books into the hands of children in our community. Opportunities we plan on using to accomplish our goal include pledging books to be given to organizations within our community and using volunteers to read with children. Organizations already benefiting from our project include: Parents As Teachers, Families First Counseling, The BackPack program sponsored by the North East Iowa Food Bank within our MV School District as well as plans to partner with the Delhi Public Library on some projects. We plan on purchasing new books as funds become available but would like to also ask the community's help in gathering up "gently used" children's books that could be used also. Drop off locations for gently used books are the Delhi United Methodist Church, The Delhi Public Library or contacting Jane Mesch,

101 3rd St. Delhi, 563-920-4916. Anyone wanting more information on this project can contact Jane Mesch. So as you do your spring cleaning and are wondering what to do with all those great books your children no longer use, consider helping us give them to children who could use them. Watch for further updates on the project in months to come.

Preschool News

Raechel Keltner

The beginning of February we started our Bits and Bots Pint Size Science unit on robotics and coding. The Pint Size Science program is a grant the district received to introduce more STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) in early childhood. Robotics and coding are important introductions to STEM education that can lead students to future STEM careers.

Thus far. the students have experienced what it's like to be a human robot by following simple commands. They've also learned about programing by experimenting with the Bee Bot. The Bee Bot is a simple robot whose actions are based on simple directional commands. Students realized programming Bee Bot was more difficult then they had anticipated, and it didn't always end in the correct location. This activity was also a good introduction to input and output. In the following weeks students will experiment more with input and output by using the Cubelet Robots and practice their coding and programming skills by playing a Robot Turtle game. The Pint Size Science program has fostered a love for science and math. Both preschool classes look forward to the STEM science experiments and activities.



PRESCHOOL ROUNDUP

Children who will be four years old by September 15th are eligible for our state-funded preschool. If you have a child who will be eligible or know of one, please call Brenda Becker (923-3225) or at (926-2701).



Preschool Roundup days Johnston - April 20 Earlville - April 27

First Grade @ Earlville

Jessica Wessels

Time flies when you are having fun and let me tell you, we are having fun in first grade. At the end of January we celebrated the 100th day of school and as a class we read over 100 books! Also, each student wrote 100 words! Both of which seemed daunting at first, but I think the students were amazed how easy it was to complete those tasks. In math we have covered a lot of topics thus far. We kicked off the year with addition, but have also learned about subtraction, time, measurement, 2D and 3D shapes. In reading we are mastering and loving our Daily 5 rotations, reading a lot of fun and informational stories, writing sentences and stories and have also done some research. We spent a lot of time during December, January and most of February being scientists. We were able to plant rye grass, alfalfa, wheat, potatoes, stem cuttings and then observe the changes. One really interesting thing we learned is that wheat does not need soil to grow! Then, we spent the last part of our science unit planting and observing terrariums.

I am sure these last couple months will go just as fast as the first part of the year if not faster and the warmer weather just around the corner is always something to look forward to!

Fifth Grade Student Selected For Honor Band

Imagine going from playing in a band of 29 musicians to performing with a band of 130 musicians. That is exactly what fifth grade student, Kennedy Rausch, did on February 20th. Kennedy was selected to participate in the Young Musicians Honor Band Festival held at Prairie High School in Cedar Rapids. Kennedy was selected based on director recommendation and her progress in her first year of playing an instrument. She was one of 25 clarinets in the band.

Kennedy's day included at least three hours of rehearsals, snack/lunch breaks, social time with other band students, and watching the director's concert. The day ended with a wonderful concert performed by the honor band. Congratulations to Kennedy for receiving this honor!



Fifth Grade 'Open Stand' Recital Night

The second annual Fifth Grade Band 'Open Stand' Night will take place on Monday, March 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Middle School 'Open Stand' Commons. night is an informal recital in which the Fifth Grade Band students will share solos and small group numbers that they have been working on. The students will be playing pieces that they have selected and worked on outside of their regular band time. We invite you to come and check out what they have been working on!

Parade Of Bands Concert



The Band students at Maquoketa Valley will present their annual Parade of Bands Concert on Tuesday, March 1st in the middle school multipurpose room. The concert will feature the Maquoketa Valley Band students in grades The High School Jazz Band will also make it's return. They are excited to play for the first time since 2013. concert will close with a combined group number that is sure to bring the house down.

Admission to the concert will be \$3 per adult and \$2 per student. Please come out and show your support, while enjoying an evening of music.

Maquoketa Valley Dollars for Scholars

Spring Gala

Fundraiser

St. John's Church - Delhi March 13, 2016 4:30 p.m. Social Time 5:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Performances

Catered by Buliceks Chicken Cordon Bleu Garlic Mashed Potatoes Salad Bar & dinner roll Dessert

Entertainment by Maquoketa Valley Fine Arts Dept.

Door Prizes

Get your tickets now from any board member All profits go for scholarships in 2016 Cost \$50.00

BLOOD DRIVE

On Thursday, March 8th, the Maquoketa Valley National Honor Society will host a community blood drive!

The drive will be held at the Middle School Gym from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come help save lives!

For more information contact Becca Besler at 563-922-2091.

Maquoketa Valley's Summer Driver Education Class



Maquoketa Valley's summer Driver Education class will begin May 12 and will be scheduled until mid-June. The class is held at the high school. Cost for the class is \$335 if paying by check/money order or \$345 if paying by credit/debit card. To sign up for Driver's Ed at Maquoketa Valley, please go to the following link to sign up:

streetsmartsdriversed.com

Schedules for class and driving times will be mailed at a later date. Any questions, please do not hesitate to call the high school at 563-922-2091.

Calendar Changes Due to Snow Make Up Days

We currently have 1 school day to make up that was lost due to bad weather. That school day will be made up on:

May 24

Therefore, at this time, the last day of school for students will be May 24. We will have an early dismissal that day - 1:05 pm.

Vocal Jazz Concert March 17

Smooth Harmony and Jazz X-Press will present their home concert at 7:30 pm on Thursday March 17 in the high school auditorium. Please plan on joining us for a very enjoyable evening of Jazz Music. Both groups are singing very well this year and look forward to sharing their talent with the community.

Smooth Harmony members are: Taylor Guthrie, Riley Sternhagen, Shaylyn Trenkamp, Raven Eatman-Dietiker, Bryant Meyer-Kemp, Lawson Roof, Cassie Schwandt, Megan Beaman and Patrick Hansen.

Jazz X-Press members are: Destiny Clayborne, Selena Ramirez, Hannah Clemen, Ryan Dunn, Josy Harmon, Sean Hucker, Victoria Lane, Angel Rumbo, Kiesha Stelken, Rose Havens, Brian Heims, Madalynne Naab, Shana Timm and Tate Trenkamp. Rhythm section- Mr. Chris Hadley and Jon Seibert.



FFA NEWS

MV Greenhouse - The FFA will be operating the greenhouse.

Your high school student has drama, don't you need some too?!

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.
Wouldn't you love to help your child bring home The
Eagle from Competition Speech, or win that State Jazz
Championship?

Join us at the next Fine Arts Booster Meeting, **March 14,** @ **5:30 PM** in the HS Cafeteria and see what we are all about!!

Parent/Teacher Conferences

The dates for the second Parent-Teacher Conferences of this school year are **Tuesday**, **March 22** and **Thursday**, **March 24**, from 3 PM - 7 PM both evenings.

These times are the same for all three elementary centers, the Middle School and High School.

There will be NO SCHOOL on Friday, March 25.

All Jr. Kindergarten. through 6th grade conferences will be scheduled by appointment, and letters will be sent home to parents to confirm the appointment. These grades will meet for conferences in their respective classrooms.

The 7th & 8th graders will also have scheduled fifteen minute conferences. Parents will be assigned to one of your child's teachers who will have all information about your child and their grades from their other classes and teachers. If you feel that you need to talk to any other teachers about your child, we will post conference schedules outside of each classroom. Therefore, if a teacher is not conferencing, feel free to talk with them. If this doesn't work we will be more than happy to have a staff member call you or set up a time to meet with you.

High School teachers will be set up in the High School gymnasium, and parents are invited to speak with any or all of their child's teachers at their convenience during the time allowed. High School report cards will be given to parents by the secretaries in the front foyer of the building. Any High School report cards not picked up during the conference times will be sent home with the students.

Thank You Manchester Dairy Queen

The Manchester Dairy Queen has been a supporter of Maquoketa Valley in multiple ways for many years. The first Tuesday of every month they donate 10% of all sales from 3:00 PM to close to Maquoketa Valley.

The dates for this year are:

March 1

April 5

Please support your school with a cool treat from Dairy Queen on these evenings. In addition, they have supported all the elementary centers and the Rising Star Award. For the last three years, they have donated a small ice cream cone to each student that is recognized for this award. We truly appreciate their continued support of our students.

Winter is Here

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 563-922-9411.



Don't Toss 'Em...Clip 'Em!

Maquoketa Valley is one of the many schools across America that collects Box Tops for Education. Box Tops for Education is one of the largest school earnings loyalty programs in the United States. For each Box Top that is donated, Maguoketa Valley receives 10 cents. MV can then use this money to buy whatever is needed for our school. It's easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Box Tops are found on hundreds of your favorite products-including paper products and school supplies! Just look for the Box Tops for Education symbol and cut it out. Maquoketa Valley collects Box Tops all year long. Simply send them to school with your child to give to their classroom teacher. Once the Box Tops are collected at Maguoketa Valley, they are counted and submitted. Box Tops earnings are then sent out to MV twice a year-once in December and once in April. This is a great way for our school to earn extra money and it's so easy. Clip some Box Tops and turn them into our school today! For more information about Box Tops for Education and a full list of participating products, visit www.boxtops4education.com. Maquoketa Valley appreciates your support!

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 BASKETBALL WINTER JAM

2ND ANNUAL WILDCAT 3 ON 3 BASKETBALL SHOOT-OUT

Who:			

Date:

Saturday April 2nd, 2016 --- Games start at 8:00AM

Grades: 3rd - 8th grade boys and girls

Location:

Maquoketa Valley Middle School & High School

Cost:

\$45.00 per team(Max 4 players)-payable to Maquoketa Valley Athletic Boosters

-EVERY PLAYER WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT

Divisions:

BOYS- 3RD GRADE, 4TH GRADE, 5TH GRADE, 6TH GRADE, 7TH GRADE, 8TH GRADE GIRLS-3RD GRADE, 4TH GRADE, 5TH GRADE, 6TH GRADE, 7TH GRADE, 8TH GRADE

ALL TEAMS WILL BE ASKED TO SIGN A WAIVER FORM BEFORE PLAYING ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT. WAIVER FORM WILL BE GIVEN TO YOU THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT.

Also, teams MUST check in at the Maquoketa Valley High School before their first game.

Registration form: DUE MONDAY March 30th!

Team Name:	·
Grade Level:	Gender
Coach Name:	
Coach Phone#:	
Coach Email:	

Registration forms may be sent by email to the address below or by mail to:

Brad Tucker M.V. Athletic Boosters 306 South Wine Street Earlville, Iowa 52041

Please direct any questions to me by email or by phone:

scores2brad@yahoo.com 563.543.8732---cell phone

Wildcat Way a Success!

This year you may have noticed a few additional posters in the hallways at your child's school. Maquoketa Valley has established and taught "Wildcat Way" behavior expectations with ALL of our students K-8. The first few days of school behavior expectations were explicitly taught to students in small groups and again reviewed in January after winter break. The posters that you see provide reminders for students on behavior expectations across 12 school settings including bathroom, hallway, bus, drinking fountain and recess, to name a few. Along with these behavior expectations, voice level charts and minor/major office referral guidelines have been established. The purpose/mission of Wildcat Way implementation is to create a positive learning environment for students and staff, with a proactive approach to academic and behavior expectations. The response from both students and staff has been a positive one! If you would like more information on the Wildcat Way you can ask your child, your child's teacher or review the entire Maquoketa Valley Behavioral Expectations Guide on our school website.

THANK YOU

A big THANK YOU from the Post Prom committee for a successful MS Dance and Fun Night. A thanks to all who helped and participated. And thank you for purchasing pies/apparel this year, they were a huge success also.

Post Prom 2016 Update

Attention Junior Class Parents:

Post Prom fundraising efforts are in the planning stages & are coming together!

We need volunteers...even for an hour here or there, any help you can give is greatly appreciated!

The **next Post Prom meeting** will be February 28 at 4:30 in HS Cafeteria. We hope you can join us in the fun!

If you are interested in helping at the Post Prom event on Sunday May 1st from 12:00 - 3:00 AM.

Contact Sandy Mensen <u>563-920-3732</u> or smensen21@gmail.com with any questions.

~ March 2016 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		DE Kindergarten Roundup Parade of Bands MSMPR 7:00	Early Dismissal @ 1:05 MS Career Fair (1-3) Athletic Boosters Mtg HS Café – 6:30	3 Vocal Jazz @ Kirkwood/CR	4	5
6	7	8 NHS Community Blood Drive – MSMPR – PM	9	10 FFA Monthly Mtg Officer Elections MVHS	11	12 State Individual Speech @ Senior Dubuque District FFA Convention @ Midland
Daylight Savings Begins "Spring Ahead"	Fine Arts Boosters Mtg – HS Café – 5:30	HSGT Indoor @ Wartburg – 2:30 HSBT Indoor @ Wartburg – 2:30	PK-3 informational Parent Mtg – HS Cafe 6:00 pm	Vocal Jazz Concert Auditorium – 7:00	Early Dismissal @ 1:05 (End of Qtr) TRC HSGT Indoor @ Cornell – 4:45 TRC HSBT Indoor @ Cornell – 4:45	19
20	5 th Gr. Band "Open Stand" Nite 6:30	Early Dismissal @ 1:05 (Conferences) Parent-Teacher Conferences – All Ctrs 3:00 – 7:00	23	Early Dismissal ② 1:05 (Conferences) Parent-Teacher Conferences – All Ctrs 3:00 – 7:00	NO SCHOOL Spring Break	26
27 Easter	NO SCHOOL Spring Break FFA Banquet HS Café/Gym 6:00	NO SCHOOL Spring Break Vocal Jazz Championships @ West Des Moines HSGolf – Springville – Hart Ridge – 4:00 HSBT @ WDelaware 4:30	30	31 HSGT @ WDelaware 4:30	HS = High School MS = Middle School JH = Junior High DE = Delhi Elementary EE = Earlville Elementary JE = Johnston Elementary GT = Girls Track BT = Boys Track	

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3	4 All-State Individual Speech @ UNI/ Cedar Falls	5 HSGolf – Prince of Peace – Hart Ridge 4:00 HSGT @ Jesup 4:30 HSBT @ Anamosa 4:30	Athletic Boosters Mtg HS Café – 6:30	7 HSBT @ I Independence – 5:00 JE Spring Concert Lenox College 7:00	8	ACT Testing @ MVHS – 8:00 State Solo/Ensemble Music Contest	
10	Fine Arts Boosters Mtg – HS Café – 5:30 FFA Monthly Mtg MVHS HSGolf @ Cal-Wheat 4:00 EE Spring Concert Elementary Bldg 7:00	JHGT @ West Delaware - 4:00 JHBT @ Clayton Ridge - 4:00 HSGT @ Anamosa 4:30 HSGT @ Jesup 4:30	13	HSGolf – Alburneet @ Hart Ridge – 4:00 HSBT @ West Delaware – 4:45 HSGT @ Starmont 4:45 DE Spring Concert MSMPR – 7:00	15	16 HSBoys Golf @ Ed-Co – 8:30	
17	NO SCHOOL Professional Develop HSGirls Golf @ Monticello 4:00 JHGT @ Cascade – 4:15 HSGT – Wildcat Invite Home – 4:30	19 FFA @ State Convention – Ames (4/19-4/21) 7-8 NEICDA Honor Choir @ Oelwein HSGolf @ Bellevue JHBT @ West Delaware 4:00 JHGT @ Starmont 4:30 HSBT @CtPt/Urbana 4:45	JE Preschool Roundup	JHGT – Wildcat Invite Home – 4:15 JHBT @ Starmont 4:30 HSBT @ Monticello 4:30 HSGT @ West Delaware 4:45	HSGolf – Midland @ Hart Ridge 4:00	23	
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