



The WILDCAT REPORT

Maquoketa Valley Community School District's newsletter

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Time and again, I catch myself using the excuse "this is such a busy time of the year" when trying to justify something I had intended to do but didn't follow through. Face it: it is ALWAYS a busy time of year so when it comes to prioritizing, it is not about finding time but making time.

I can think of fewer priorities for a parent than that of your child's education. Your attitude about your child's success in school will be reflected in your child's attitude about school. When you make time to ask your child questions about his or her daily student life, keep up with your child's academic performance online, interact with their educators, and attend parent-teacher conferences, you send a message to your child that his or her success is highly valued. And when you convey value, you encourage pride in performance and instill a lifelong love of learning. When you show that you value education and academic success, it becomes a priority and not an option.

Imagine your child's education as a tangible asset such as a car or cell phone. I am certain that it matters to you whether your child treats these material items with great care. Though intangible, your child's education is no less important but has far-reaching consequences if a sense of responsibility and value is cultivated. It is up to you as the parent to demonstrate to your student that attention to education matters. It is up to you to model a positive attitude about academics and it does not matter which direction your child intends to follow after the high school years come to an end. Whether one enters a two or four year college, the military, or the workforce, when a parent shows an interest in their child's learning, they let him or her know that learning is lifelong. Express interest and curiosity about your student's performance and you will instill a similar attitude in your child. Make time to interact and connect with your child and our educators: it's not about finding the time but making the time to make a vital difference in the course of your child's life.

Go Wildcats!

Kevin Kudrna

Maquoketa Valley Community School District

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

OCTOBER 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>ATTENTION PARENTS IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP A POSITIVE BALANCE IN YOUR CHILDS ACCOUNT AT ALL TIMES.</p> <p>MAQUOKETA VALLEY SCHOOL IS A EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.</p>	<p>ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME.</p> <p>EVERY MEAL IS SERVED WITH A 8 OZ. MILK</p>	<p>1 HAM WHOLE WHEAT ROLL BAKED POTATO SWEET POTATOES APPLESAUCE APRICOTS</p> <p>PANCAKE ON A STICK</p>	<p>2 GROUND BEEF GRAVY MASHED POTATOES BREAD & BUTTER SAND. COTTAGE CHEESE CORN PEACHES STRAWBERRY APPLESAUCE</p> <p>SAUSAGE EGG MUFFIN</p>	<p>3 HOMECOMING MEATBALL SUB PUZZLE POTATOES CARROT STICKS CELERY STICKS APPLES PEARS CARNIVAL COOKIE</p> <p>FRENCH TOAST</p>
<p>6 WEINER WINKS POTATO TRIANGLE CORN CARROT STICKS STRAWBERRIES PEARS</p> <p>BREAKFAST PIZZA</p>	<p>7 OPEN FACE TURKEY BREAD STUFFING BROCCOLI SWEET POTATOES ORANGES APPLES</p> <p>PANCAKES & SAUSAGE</p>	<p>8 MACARONI & CHEESE WH. WHEAT CINNAMON ROLL ROMAINE LETTUCE PEAS APPLESAUCE KIWI</p> <p>BREAKFAST BAGELS</p>	<p>9 CHICKEN FAJITAS REFRIED BEANS FIESTA SALAD RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE PEACHES</p> <p>SCR. EGGS/TOAST</p>	<p>10 TURKEY DRESSING SANDWICH HASHBROWN SAVORY CARROTS WINTER MIX PINEAPPLE CHUNKS BANANAS TURNOVER BARS</p> <p>COMBOS</p>
<p>13 PIG-N-BLANKET POTATO TRIANGLE SWEET POTATO FRIES CORN BROCCOLI STRAWBERRIES PEACHES</p> <p>BREAKFAST BAGELS</p>	<p>14 CHICKEN TETRAZZINI W/G PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH PEAS ROMAINE LETTUCE PEARS APPLES</p> <p>WH. WHEAT CINN. ROLL</p>	<p>15 SUB SANDWICH HASHBROWN CARROT STICKS CELERY STICKS PINEAPPLE CHUNKS BLUEBERRIES WH. GRAIN APPLE CRISP</p> <p>OMELET/TOAST</p>	<p>16 PORK ROAST/GRAVY MASHED POTATOES BREAD & BUTTER SAND. COTTAGE CHEESE GREEN BEANS TROPICAL FRUIT BANANAS</p> <p>BREAKFAST WRAPS</p>	<p>17 OUT AT 1:00 HAMBURGER ON A BUN CHEESE FRENCH FRIES WINTER MIX FRUIT COCKTAIL FRESH PINEAPPLE</p> <p>BREAKFAST CHOICE</p>
<p>20 NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>21 TURKEY BURGER W/G BUN FRENCH FRIES CARROT STICKS BAKED BEANS KIWI ORANGE HALVES</p> <p>COMBOS</p>	<p>22 CHICKEN NUGGETS WH. WHEAT ROLL MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY CORN BROCCOLI FRUIT COCKTAIL PEACHES</p> <p>BREAKFAST BURRITO</p>	<p>23 SPAGHETTI WH. WHEAT FRENCH BREAD ROMAINE LETTUCE CUCUMBER STRAWBERRY APPLESAUCE MANDARIN ORANGES</p> <p>HAM. CHEESE/EGG BISCUIT</p>	<p>24 TENDERLOIN NATURAL CUT FRIES MIXED VEGETABLES BAKED BEANS GRAPES BANANAS</p> <p>WH. WHEAT CINN. ROLL</p>
<p>27 OUT AT 1:00 CHICKEN STRIPS CURLY FRIES ROMAINE LETTUCE BROCCOLI PEACHES FRESH PINEAPPLE</p> <p>BREAKFAST PIZZA</p>	<p>28 MAIDRITE ON A WH. WHEAT BUN NATURAL CUT FRIES SAVORY CARROTS KIWI STRAWBERRIES PUMPKIN BAR</p> <p>SAUS/EGG BISCUIT</p>	<p>29 OUT AT 1:00 SOFT SHELL TACO REFRIED BEANS FIESTA SALAD RED PEPPER STRIPS GREEN BEANS RICE PEACHES</p> <p>BREAKFAST WRAPS</p>	<p>30 CHEESE PIZZA GARLIC BREADSTICKS ROMAINE LETTUCE TOMATO CUCUMBER APPLES PEARS</p> <p>PANCAKE ON A STICK</p>	<p>31 NO SCHOOL</p>

Organizational Board Meeting

September 18, 2014

The organizational meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by Superintendent Tuetken at 6:00 p.m. at the Middle School Conference Room in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. All board members were present, six staff members present and one visitor.

The first order of business was to elect the officers for the 2014–2015 school year. Supt. Tuetken called for nominations for President of the Board of Directors. John Zietlow was elected as President and Chris Huber was elected as Vice-President.

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

At 6:17 p.m., President John Zietlow declared this to be the time and the place to hold the hearing on the continued participation of the Instructional Support Levy. The revenue generated equates to a \$.10 levy. The documents were reviewed and there being no comments, the Board President declared the hearing closed. The motion passed to approve the continued participation of the Instructional Support Levy. A roll call vote answered all ayes.

The meeting agenda was approved.

The board set the monthly meeting date and time for the 2014–2015 year as the third Monday of each month. Meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m.

The District recently purchased a Mustang Skid loader in the amount of \$4,300. This will be used at the Earlville Center. The District also purchased a 2011 Dodge Caravan from J's Auto in the amount of \$16,625.

The District is beginning year one of Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) training. The District's involvement in PBIS training is a four-year commitment. PBIS is a proactive approach to establishing clear and consistent behavioral supports and expectations. During the first year, the District will be planning for implementation. A district-wide plan for the elementary and middle school will be developed. Staff members recently attended the first of several training in Dubuque on September 11th.

The District recently completed and certified the district's C-Plan. The C-Plan stands for "Consolidated Plan" which is a newly formed report required by the Iowa Department of Education in order to help simplify the submission of various annual reports.

A district-wide Preschool BBQ's have been planned for Monday, October 6 at 5:30 p.m. in Earlville.

Fund raising activities for the 2014–2015 school year were approved.

A hearing was set for October 20th at 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering an early start dated for the 2015–2016 school year.

John Zietlow was elected as the 2014–2015 Maquoketa Valley designee on the County Conference Board.

The District will begin gathering community input as it pertains to possible building alignment. Later this fall, a facility re-alignment committee will be established to begin this process.

The board will be attending the 2014 IASB Convention in Des Moines on November 19th and 20th.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Special Board Meeting

September 10, 2014

A special meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President John Zietlow at 7:15 a.m. on September 10, 2014 in the Middle School Conference Room in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted. Five board members were present. There were two staff members present. The agenda was approved.

The District Annual Progress Report was approved. The Department of Education required all districts to approve and submit this report to the DE no later than September 15th each year. The Board also approved the English Language Learners Plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.



The week of October 23-31, has been set aside to encourage and educate our students to make healthy, drug free choices. You are welcome to stop in at any of the centers and see the displays that will be up for the week. Take this opportunity to talk with your child.

If you have any questions please contact
Ms. Hollinrake, Mrs. McDermott, or Nurse Mary

Title I Reading/Resource Room Mrs. Porter's Room

School is off to a great start! The students have been working hard to get adjusted to their schedules, routines, and expectations in the classroom. We have high goals for this year.

Reading is a very important subject at all grade levels. It is essential to find students' current reading levels. This includes Fountas & Pinnell testing to determine appropriate reading levels and DIBELS testing, which is counting the number of correct words read in a minute. After this has been determined, correct individual reading levels can be determined. Then students are taught at their level. They can read books at their level.

It is good to have students read at home each night.. Students should be reading library books, from cover to cover and taking quizzes on them. Practice helps improve reading. Improved reading helps in all subject areas.

In the early elementary grades the students are learning to recognize the letters of the alphabet and the sounds they stand for. They are learning more about rhyming words and how to decode words. Fluency comes from more practice in reading. Some nights students in the elementary grades in this room will bring home books to read to an older person. This practice helps fluency and decoding skills improve. Parents, please keep encouraging your child to read. Keep on reading!

5-8 Music Informance

The 5th and 6th grade music classes and the 5th-8th grade band students will be presenting an 'informance' on October 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. An informance is an informal program in which each group will be sharing what they have been working on in their music classes. All students in 5th and 6th grade, and all band students in grades 5 -8 will participate in this informance. Everyone is welcome to attend!

GRANDPARENTS and SPECIAL FRIENDS:

**Thank you to all of our
grandparents and special
friends
for spending some time with us**

**We love having you visit our
schools!!**

HALLOWEEN PARADES



Students in the elementaries will be parading in their Halloween costumes on Thursday, October 30th. As Halloween nears, we will determine whether the parade will be held indoors or out when we know the weather forecast.

Delhi	9:30
Earlville	10:00
Johnston	10:30

Parents are always invited to join us for the fun!

"Parents: Check it out!"

Mrs. Rudd's Middle School Science has a classroom blog!"

The address is: <http://mrsruddsscienceclassroom.blogspot.com/>



FFA Hog Raffle

Maquoketa Valley FFA annual homecoming hog raffle tickets are now on sale. The pig has been donated by the Bob & Sharon Goedken Family and the basic processing has been donated by the Dan's Earlville Locker. Winner would pay for the smoking and/or seasoned meats if wanted. The drawing will be held at halftime of the homecoming football game on October 3rd. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 tickets for \$10 and can be purchased during all home varsity games or from any FFA member. Any questions or to purchase ticket contact

Mrs. Mausser via email at dawnmausser@maquoketa-v.k12.ia.us

Class of 2014

You can pick up your yearbook in the high school office.

There are extra yearbooks available for sale for \$50. Contact the high school office if interested.

REAL LIFE ACADEMY FOR SENIORS

On Wednesday, November 5, Maquoketa Valley and Ed-Co seniors will have the opportunity to participate in the Real Life Academy at Ed-Co High School. The Real Life Academy is sponsored by the Delaware County School to Work Committee and introduces high school seniors to the real world of day to day finance--making choices, paying bills and dealing with whatever "fate" may hand you.

Participants are assigned one of their chosen professions, their marital status, and whether or not they have children and/or pets. They are also given their monthly salary and a credit card with no outstanding balance. Most students also have a student loan payment. Students are given a checkbook and register and are required to pay taxes, buy or rent housing, purchase vehicles, insurance, fuel, groceries, clothing, make investments and charitable contributions, pay for child care, pay the phone bill, utilities, etc.

Local business people will be at tables that the students visit to pay for their monthly expenses. There will also be a "Fate" table, where students draw two cards of chance. Sometimes these are positive or they might be negative. There is also a roaming nurse and police officer who hand out fate cards. In order to exit the Real Life Academy students must meet with a banker who reviews the check register to make sure that the student is on track and has between \$0 and \$200 left in their account.

This is the seventh year for the Real Life Academy in Delaware County and it is an excellent opportunity for seniors to experience what budgeting is like in the real world. For more information please contact Barb Hollinrake at the high school at 563-922-2091.

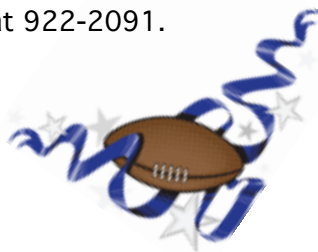


When a food is a whole grain the first ingredient should be a whole grain ingredient. Words to look for include; whole wheat, whole grain, cracked wheat, crushed wheat, wheat berries, rolled oats, and brown rice. Make sure you read the labels when choosing a snack or meal!



HOMECOMING 2014

Maquoketa Valley High School will celebrate Homecoming during the week of September 29 - October 3, 2014. The Parade begins at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 3rd, with the Pep Rally following. The 2014 Homecoming King will be crowned at the Pep Rally. A dance will be held Saturday, Oct 4, from 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. Any business or group interested in being in the Parade needs to contact Barb Hollinrake at the high school at 922-2091.



Volunteers Welcome

Maquoketa Valley is always in need of kind, caring adults who want to give their time to help the children at school. If you are interested, please contact any Administrator listed on the cover of this newsletter.

Making Curriculum Connections

Sue Goldsmith

Fifth grade students have opportunities to study "Big Ideas" which tie several different subjects together. One unit during the fall is based on the Science concept that "living and non-living things interact in an ecosystem." The unit begins in Social Studies with the students reviewing the latitude, landforms, bodies of water, climate, vegetation, and wildlife found in each major geographic region of the United States. In Science, students learn how these features interact with each other to create unique biome regions. Then as the students learn about Native Americans in social studies, they work in small groups during seading class to research how different Native American tribes adapted their lifestyles to fit the biome in which they lived. During writing time, students turn their research into individual essays. Meanwhile, during technology class, the students work with their learning groups to create a Keynote or Google presentation that summarizes what they have learned. Finally, the students share their presentations with their classmates. So, while the students are learning how living and non-living things interact to create an ecosystem, the students themselves are interacting with each other to create new learning!



Weather Calls

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.

PreSchool News

Raechel Keltner

In preschool we are currently studying friends and feelings. Thus far, we have discussed what characteristics make a good friend and how to create a lasting friendship. Good friends help each other out, are caring, and use kind words. As a class we have discussed different emotions and feelings that we experience. We've talked about how it's all right to express your feeling as long as we express them in an appropriate manner. To remind students how to handle their emotions we read, Tucker The Turtle Tucks Inside. This story illustrates how to handle being frustrated by taking three deep breathes, calming down, and then consulting the classroom "solution kit book." Many of the preschool students are starting to understand there are several solutions to a problem. When playing with our friends, we can share, trade, set a timer, or take turns. We will continue to review emotions and feelings throughout the school year.

We have also made a couple of fun art projects! The students' favorite thus far was our edible self-portraits. The children had fun putting all of their edible vegetable facial features onto a paper plate. The students said the best part of this activity was "eating it all up at the end!" With this activity we reviewed different emotions and how our faces would look if we were sad or happy.

Rising Star Award

The Rising Star Award recognizes students' strengths in employability skills necessary to be successful in all aspects of life such as working well with others, being prepared for class, and taking responsibility for their own actions. This award may also recognize students that demonstrate strong civic responsibilities. We are proud of these students who have demonstrated these important life long skills! Congratulations!

Rylee Reed	Kayla Hoeger	Kennedy Rausch
Erin Knipper	Trista Elgin	Zachary Mineart
Addie Wilson	Keira Leytem	Addison Hucker
Chantel Crowley		

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.

The 35th annual
CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW
sponsored by the
MV Athletic Booster Club
will be

Sunday, October 26th
from 9:00 AM to 2:00PM

For information, please call
Brandi Fjelstul 563-608-5611

ACT TESTING

Registration

Iowa colleges prefer students submit an ACT score upon applying for admission. The SAT may be required by out-of-state colleges.

It is recommended that students planning to attend a vocational, two-year, or four-year college take the ACT or SAT during the spring of their junior year. Students may take tests on any of the nationally scheduled dates and may retest as often as they choose. It takes approximately four weeks for test results to be received in the Career/College Center.

Test registration forms and information about which test colleges prefer are available in the Career/College Center. Students are to complete registration forms directly with the testing company. The Maquoketa Valley High School code or CEEB code is 161-143.

Preparation

Students preparing for an admissions test should:

1. Select high school courses that include the recommended core curriculum: 4 units of English, 3 units of math (Algebra, Geometry, and Advanced Algebra), 3 units of social studies, 2 units of science (one must be a laboratory course), 1 unit of fine arts, and 3 additional units of any courses previously listed or foreign language (2 units strongly recommended).
2. Study the current and descriptive preparation materials, including the practice test published by ACT or SAT available free of charge in the Career/College Center.
3. Explore the test preparation materials available in the school and public libraries and in book stores.
4. Review areas where the practice test showed a weakness.
5. Enlist the help of teachers in those areas to answer questions and clarify concepts. (Consider making an appointment before or after school to work with a teacher.)
6. Retest if, after taking the test the first time, you found you were not familiar or comfortable with the test procedures, or if your score was lower than your reasonable expectations.
7. Juniors can prepare for the SAT by taking the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) which is the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

2014-2015 ACT TEST SCHEDULE

The ACT is given on the dates listed below. Maquoketa Valley High School is a test center for the April test date. The regular registration cost is \$38 without the Writing Test or \$54.50 with the Writing Test. Late registration is an additional \$24. Registration may be done online at www.actstudent.org.

Before registering for the ACT, students can find out specific colleges' requirements regarding the Writing Test by visiting www.actstudent.org. The website features a searchable list of colleges and their Writing Test decisions. While at the website, students can take advantage of test prep aids, including free sample test questions at www.actstudent.org/testprep/. Test day tips, a list of items to bring to the test and details on what type of calculator you can use on the Math Test can also be found on the website.

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Regular Registration Postmark Deadline</u>	<u>Late Registration Postmark Deadline</u>
October 25, 2014	September 19, 2014	September 20-October 3, 2014
December 13, 2014	November 7, 2014	November 8-21, 2014
February 7, 2015	January 9, 2015	January 10-16, 2015
April 18, 2015	March 13, 2015	March 14-27, 2015
June 13, 2015	May 8, 2015	May 9-22, 2015

ACADEMIC AWARDS PRESENTATION

Academic Awards will be presented on October 17 at 11:00 a.m. in the high school auditorium to 78 Maquoketa Valley High School students who meet the cumulative grade point average requirements. To receive the Awards, sophomores need to have at least a 3.600 cumulative grade point average. Juniors and seniors need to have at least a 3.400 grade point average. The following students will receive awards.

ACADEMIC LETTERS

Jacob Bonert
Brianna Mensen
Danica Fjelstul
Cody Ries
Ryan Goedken
Lawson Roof
Carter Klostermann
Colin Wendt
Alec McDowell

Megan McNamara
Destiny Clayborne
Jazz Niehaus
Chance Franck
Lea Ries
Megan Hogan
Angie Wendt
Nate Lansing
Nichole Winter

Mikaela Callan
Megan Mensen
Amanda Fortmann
Kendra Ries
Rebekah Hill
Caleb Thompson
Clint Krapfl
Cassie Wilson

SECOND YEAR AWARD

Macy Anderegg
Cassie McIntyre
Kristin Brehm
Natalie Neuzil
Caitlyn Gibbs
Alex Richter
Kaleb Handel
Brooke Snyder
Kinsey Johnson
Riley Sternhagen
Nicole Lucas
Whitney Wilson

Briana March
Rob Bockenstedt
Curtis Nefzger
Jeremy Fischer
Andrew Palmersheim
Taylor Guthrie
Audrey Sheehy
Shawnae Hoeger
Walker Sprau
Emily LaGrant
Angie Wilson
Dylan Wright

Sienna Becker
Colton Nefzger
Cassie Burkle
Kalvin Orcutt
Kristi Goedken
Laisee Shakespeare
Cassie Hird
Kelsey Snyder
Emily Krapfl
Shaylyn Trenkamp
Morgan Manternach

THIRD YEAR AWARD

Mary Feldmann
Bailey Lubben
Tiffany Hoeger
Heather Sabers
Abby Jay
Savannah Salow

Matthew Lansing
Chris Hoeger
Mikaela Reth
Steve Huber
Dylan Salow
Zach Salow

Annie Fjelstul
Emily O'Connell
Ashley Holtz
Derek Salow
Riley Kloser

Congratulations to all the Maquoketa Valley High School Academic Award winners!

Winter Wonderland Fundraiser

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 22nd, 10-Noon, High School. More details will be sent home with students in October.



National Honor Society

National Honor Society (NHS) is a privilege students have the opportunity to earn when they excel in the areas of academics, character, leadership, and service. Once inducted into National Honor Society, the students work at various service projects to help out the school and community. Some service projects they have arranged in the past include a blood drive in the spring, and a bake sale at the basketball "Pink Out" game to help raise money towards breast cancer awareness and research.

In order to become eligible as a member of this elite group, students must maintain a GPA of 3.5. From there, they submit an application that includes their leadership experiences, extra-curricular activities, work experiences, and an essay explaining what being a member of the National Honor Society means to them. They will also fill out a community service verification form.

From here, the faculty reviews the applications and scores them using a rubric. If students receive an average of 3.5 overall, they are inducted into the National Honor Society. NHS is a wonderful group to be a member of, and I encourage all students to try and meet the requirements, so they too can become members of NHS.

Items for Sale

Maquoketa Valley Community Schools has the following items for sale:

POWERS Powder Actuated Fastening Tool. PA 3500 Low Velocity Power Adjustable Powder Actuated Fastening Tool made by Powers Fasteners. New condition, this is being sold because it cannot be used in a school setting.

42 inch Bravia TV that is in non-working order

14 - Contemporary Economics books, copyright date 2005. An overview of the economy, market structures, economic performance, growth, and challenges, fiscal policy, money and banking, and international trade.

13 - Computer Applications and Keyboarding books, copyright 2006. Review of the keyboard and basic business correspondence including memos, letters, tables, and reports.

If you are interested in any these items please send a SEALED bid to Erika Imler at the Administration Office, P.O. Box 186 Delhi, IA 52223 by Thursday, October 16th, 2014. The sealed bids will be opened on Thursday, October 23, 2014.

We reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

High School Vocal Showcase

**October 11, 2014
6:45-8:30 PM**

High School Cafeteria and Auditorium

Appetizer Bar from 6:40-7:00 PM
Live Music in Cafeteria

Musical Performances In Auditorium from
7:00-8:00 PM
High School Music Students

Dessert Bar from 8:00- 8:20 PM
Live Music in Cafeteria

Cost \$10.00 per person

Tickets go on sale September 23
Call 563-922-2091

7th Grade Language Arts

by Mrs. Scherrman

Seventh graders have a lot going on. Between after school sports, eight different class periods, and more homework than ever, it's shaping up to be a busy year. Here's an inside look at what's happening in the 7th grade Language Arts classroom.

The first unit of the year for Language Arts was Journalism. Throughout the journalism unit, students focused on three different types of journalistic articles. The students started out learning and applying components of a straight news article focusing on the who, what, where, when, why and how of a news event. Students read numerous samples of news articles and also wrote numerous news articles.

The second type of journalistic article the students learned about was a feature article. The students read numerous examples and then practiced writing a feature article by interviewing and writing about a peer.

The last type of journalistic article the students learned was an editorial. The students again learned the components important in an editorial by reading examples before choosing a problem that existed either in our school, town, state, or country and writing an editorial that made suggestions on how to fix the issue.

To combine all of the journalistic articles, students were put into groups to complete a mini-newspaper about World War II, a unit they started learning about in Social Studies class. Each student wrote one of the articles - either a straight news article, feature article or an editorial - all based on one World War II topic. The students also created another mini-newspaper over the nonfiction book they chose to read for his/her free choice book.

Throughout this year, the students in 7th and 8th grade will be completing different types of literature and English units. There will be three novel units: Historical Fiction, Adventure, and Iowa Teen Award. In these novel units, students will be put into reading groups based on his/her individual reading levels. By doing this, it gives each student the best chance at success in both understanding the characteristics of each genre and improving reading skills. There are also units in which shorter texts are used including Biography, Drama, and Expository.

Another aspect of 7th grade Language Arts are the on-going units for the entire year. The first is vocabulary. Students will be studying the Greek and Latin roots. In studying these roots, it gives the students the ability to figure out what new words mean because they already know the meaning of the root word. Students will have two weeks to study a word list of 10 words before being assessed.

Another on-going unit in 7th grade is the free choice novels each student needs to read. We call this SSR or Sustained Silent Reading. Each student is required to read 3 books per quarter - so 3 weeks per book. On top of finishing three books, students must read 75 pages per week and complete a project based on that book. Continually reading helps students increase reading skills which will help these student throughout his/her life after school.

To add to the excitement of this year, the 7th grade students will have a long-term substitute while I am on maternity leave in November and December. As you can see, there is a lot going on in 7th Grade Language Arts. If throughout the year, you have any questions about 7th Grade Language Arts, feel free to contact me.



109 Design is up and Running

The high school Fashion Design class recently received the benefits of a Perkins Grant written by Karla Downs. CTE areas are eligible to write annual grants to help with innovative projects within their classes. This year the grant was written for the purchase of a Heat Press. The heat press is a machine that takes pre-made screen printed transfers that we design and order online and then apply these transfers onto shirts, bags, etc. using the heat press. On Thursday September 18th the students in the class spent the day training with business owner and MV alumni Tricia Connolly from TLC Custom from Maquoketa, Iowa. Tricia owns her own Embroidery and Heat Press business out of her home. She shared with the students her Fashion Merchandising background as well as her experiences in the Fashion and Sewing industry. As a small business owner the students were taught the basics of owning a business, mark-up, wholesale and retail information. She also helped to explain the differences of marketing embroidered vs. heat press items. Previously the students took the time to design online a design that would be made into a transfer. We ordered the transfers and t-shirts and waited for the press to arrive. During the training, each of the girls got the opportunity to do a practice transfer and then were able to transfer their own designs onto t-shirts. It was a great day of learning and we are now excited to offer our services to the public. If you or anyone you know is looking to have a t-shirt, sweatshirt or anything else designed and printed, please let Karla Downs know. Our biggest question will be "How much will they cost?" and the answer will be "it depends on what you want". Cost is determined by the number of colors you choose for your design, the amount of items you need and what you choose to have the transfers put onto. There is a minimum of 10 orders and our turn around time will be approximately 2 weeks. So all you coaches, parents, etc. out there who would like to have a team or group shirt or other item, give us a chance to design and produce a local product while supporting the FCS department.

**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,

October 13, @ 5:30 PM in the HS Cafeteria
and see what we are all about!!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	All items on this calendar are subject to change. Please check the school website for all updated information. www.maquoketa-v.k12.ia.us		1 Athletic Boosters Mtg 6:30 pm HSCafe	2 7/8 FB @ Lisbon – 4:30 9/JV/V VB – Ebuchanan 5:15 - Home	3 Homecoming Parade Delhi @ 2:00 JV/V FB – North Linn 5:00 (Homecoming)	4 7-12 Choir @ Real Men Sing – Wartburg/Waverly Homecoming Dance HS Café 8-11 pm
5	6 MAP Testing Begins (gr. 6-10) Srs CPR Training (10/6-10/10) 7/8 VB @ Alburnett – 4:00 Preschool BBQ @ EE 5:30	7 7/8 VB @ CV Christian-4:00 CC @ WDelaware – 4:30 FS/JV/V @ Marquette Cath 5:15	8	9 7/8 VB – Springville – 4:00 Home 7/8 FB @ Starmont – 4:30 FS/JV/V – North Linn 5:15 Home Jrs @ Business/Industry Day - Manchester	10 JV/VFB @ Starmont – 5:00	11 FFA @ State Soil Judging – Ames CC @ North Linn 9:00 HS Music Showcase 7:00 Aud/Cafeteria
12	13 7/8 FB – Alburnett – 4:30 Home Fine Arts Boosters Mtg 5:30 pm HSCafe	14 FS/JV/V @ Alburnett – 5:15 5-8 Band Informance – 6:30 MSMPR	15 11 th Gr. PSAT Testing – 8:05 HS Library FFA @ Greenhand Fireup – Wapsie Valley	16 CC @ TRC Meet/Prince Peace 4:30 7/8 FB – North Linn – 4:30 Home Var VB @ TRC Tourney – TBA - 5:00	17 End of 1st Quarter Early Dismiss @ 1:05 JV/V FB @ Easton Valley 5:00	18 Var. VB @ TRC Tourney – 10:00 Calamus-Wheatland
19	20 NO SCHOOL (Teacher Prof Dev) FFA Officer Mtg – 7:00	21 FFA Monthly Mtg - MVHS 7:30	22	23 JH Band @ TRC Festival – Easton Valley JV FB – Postville – 6:00 Home	24 Var. FB – Postville – 7:00 Home	25 HS Music All-State Auditions AB Boys 3-on-# Basketball Tourney HS Gym
26 AB Arts & Crafts Fair – MS Gym 9:00	27 Early Dismiss @ 1:05 P-T Conferences 3:00-7:00	28 FFA @ National Convention Louisville, KY (10/28 – 11/1)	29	30 DE Halloween Parade 9:30 EE Halloween Parade 10:00 JE Halloween Parade 10:30 Early Dismiss @ 1:05 P-T Conferences 3:00-7:00	31 NO SCHOOL 	DE=Delhi Elem. EE=Earlville Elem. JE=Johnston Elem. MS=Middle School HS=High School CC=Cross Country FB=Football VB=Volleyball

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	2	3	4	5 Srs @ Real Life Academy – Ed-Co Athletic Boosters Mtg 6:30 pm HS Cafe	6 JHGBB @ Ed-Co 4:00 pm JHWR	7 Fall Musical “Wizard Of Oz” 7:30 pm HS Aud	8 Fall Musical “Wizard Of Oz” 7:30 pm HS Aud
9 Fall Musical “Wizard Of Oz” 2:00 pm HS Aud	10 JHGBB @ East Buchanan 4:00 JHWR @ Monticello 4:15 Fine Arts Boosters Mtg 5:30 pm HSCafe	11 JHGBB – Monticello Home – 4:00 JH WR @ CCity (CC, Ed-Co, Cas) 4:30 FFA Officer Mtg @ 7:00 pm	12 Early Dismiss @ 1:05 (Teacher Prof Dev)	13 JHGBB – North Linn Home – 4:00 JHWR @ Starmont (Star, N Linn) 4:30 FFA Monthly Mtg @ 7:30	14 JHGBB – Wdelaware Home 4:00 College Planning Mtg 5:30 pm HS Aud Financial Aid Mtg 7:00 pm HS Aud	15 AB Girls Basketball Tourney	
16	17 JHGBB @ Lisbon 4:00 HS Conf. Honor Choir – Cal/Wheat 7:00 pm	18 JHWR –Alburnett/ East Buchanan Home 4:30	19	20 JHGBB – Ccity Home 4:00 JHWR @ East Buchanan (EB/CC) 4:30 All-State Music Festival (11/20-11/22)	21	22 HS Speech “Winter Wonderland” 10-12 HS Gym	
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