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Maquoketa Valley Community School District's Newsletter

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Let's "(Tic) Tok" About Technology

We live in a world where technology is everywhere. We have access to it on our phones, computer, and tablets. Technology can be an awesome tool to use, but oftentimes this technological world can be difficult to navigate. Throughout the school year, students have been having numerous classroom lessons and conversations in regards to technology usage and appropriate behaviors to have when accessing various websites and games online. In grades 1st through 6th grade we have been going through a curriculum called *Common Sense*.

In 1st grade, students are introduced to five characters that show them how to be positive role models while in their technology world. One character, "Guts," reminds us to listen to our gut when it tells us if something doesn't feel right or safe online. Another character, "Feet," reminds us that we leave tracks and information online and what information is ok to put online and what things (private information) we shouldn't put online. "Heart," another character, reminds us to be kind with our words and actions online. As the fourth character we have learned about, "Legs," reminds us to stand up for ourselves and others if we see that someone is not being nice online. Finally, our last character, "Head," reminds us to think about whether the things we see are true or not.

At the second grade level, students have been learning about how to apply the information the characters taught them in the previous year, along with learning topics like what the internet is, the importance of device free moments, deciding what information should not be shared online, and how tracks are left at every site we visit.

At Delhi Elementary and Middle School, we have continued to go through the *Common Sense* curriculum and continued to conduct lessons that cover topics such as cyberbullying, the impact of hurtful language online, creating strong passwords, and digital drama. After Captain Frank's visit this year, small groups were held during lunch time to learn more about our students' "digital world." Through these conversations we have been able to discuss different situations that they have encountered and how to avoid them in the future.

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**Maquoketa Valley Community School District
Ensures High Levels of Learning to Empower All Students For Lifelong Success.**

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At the High School level, teachers are finding ways to have technology conversations with their students. In English classes, students have read cases about different social media examples and then discussed them. In another class they have had law enforcement talk about social media situations and safety.

The purpose behind these lessons is to teach the students how they themselves can be safe and how they can help their friends be safe online too. There are numerous online resources that you can use to help continue these conversations with your students.

- Common Sense- www.commonsense.org Contains conversation starters for parents to have with their child, various apps and website reviews, and other additional information.
- American Academy for pediatrics- <https://www.aap.org/en/patient-care/media-and-children/> Provides information about appropriate screen time, creating a “Family Media Plan,” information about T.V. violence, and other additional information
- Captain Frank’s Digital Empowerment- <https://digitalempowermentproject.com/parents/> Captain Frank’s came to talk to students in grades 4th - 12th during this school year. His website has numerous websites for parents on understanding your child’s internet usage.
- Safe and sound is also a tool. With this free service provided by the state, students and parents can report threatening behaviors seen either in person or online, for more information please visit <https://dps.iowa.gov/SafeandSoundIowa>

Maquoketa Valley’s School Counseling Department can also be a resource for your students in helping them navigate their technological world and the situations they may encounter. Through education and conversations, we can help make the internet a safe place for all.

May 8th - May 12th



Special Board Meeting – April 6, 2023 – 8:00 a.m. –
High School Conference Room, Delhi, Iowa

A special meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President Donna Kunde at 8:00 a.m. in the High School Conference Room in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted.

Board Members Present – Dabroski, Feldmann, Kunde, Overman, Zietlow

Board Members Absent – None

Staff Present – Supt. Dave Hoeger and Erika Imler

Visitors Present – Chad Schumacher

Motion was made by Dabroski, seconded by Feldmann to approve the meeting agenda as presented. All ayes. Carried.

The consent agenda item was tabled.

In a motion by Feldmann, seconded by Dabroski the Board approved the bleacher demolition bid from Delaware Transfer in the amount of \$1500. All ayes. Carried.

In a motion by Zietlow, seconded by Overman the Board approved the following resolution:
RESOLUTION MAKING AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRETORS OF THE MAQUOKETA VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. That the following bids for the construction of certain public improvements described in general as Maquoketa Valley Stadium project, described in the plans and specifications heretofore adopted by this Board, be and is hereby accepted, the same being the lowest responsive, responsible bids received for such work as follows:

Contractor:	Larson Construction
Of:	600 17 th Street, Independence, IA 50644
Amount of Bid:	\$938,000.00
Portion of Project:	Maquoketa Valley Stadium Project

Section2. That the President and Secretary are hereby directed to execute contracts with the contractor for the construction of the public improvements, such contracts not to be binding until fully executed. A roll call vote was answered as follows: Dabroski, aye; Kunde, aye; Overman, aye; Zietlow, aye; Feldmann, nay. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m. in a motion by Feldmann, seconded by Overman. All ayes. Carried.

Regular Board Meeting – April 17, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. – High School Library, Delhi, Iowa

The regular meeting of the Maquoketa Valley Board of Education was called to order by President Donna Kunde at 5:30 p.m. on April 17, 2023 in the High School Library in Delhi, Iowa. All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted.

Board Members Present – Dabroski, Feldmann, Kunde, Overman, Zietlow

Board Members Absent – None

Staff Present – Supt. Dave Hoeger, Troy Osterhaus, Brenda Becker, Tiersa Frasher and Erika Imler

Visitors Present – Mike Putz

In a motion by Zietlow, seconded by Feldmann the meeting agenda was approved as presented. All ayes. Carried.

At 5:31 p.m., President Donna Kunde declared this to be the time and place to hold the hearing on the proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year. The proposed tax rate is \$9.94772 which is a reduction of \$0.03 from FY23 with the voter approved PPEL of \$0.67 included. The documents were reviewed and there being no comments, the Board President declared the hearing closed. Motion by Dabroski, seconded by Feldmann to approve the budget estimate as presented. A roll call vote was answered as follows: Dabroski, Feldmann, Kunde, Overman, Zietlow; all ayes. Carried.

In a motion by Overman, seconded by Zietlow the consent items were approved. All ayes. Carried.

One open enrollment requests in was approved in a motion by Feldmann, seconded by Overman. All ayes. Carried.

The following personnel recommendations were approved in a motion by Dabroski, seconded by Zietlow:

Alison Fisher – resignation as Elementary Music/Band Teacher, Large Group Speech Coach

Kurt Palmer – employed as Student Council Sponsor

Matt DeVore – resignation as Large Group Speech Coach

Madison Imler – employed as Elementary Teacher

Alexandra Morozov – employed as Special Education Teacher

John Grimm – employed as Transportation & Building/Grounds Director

Brad Tucker – employed as High School Assistant Football Coach

All ayes. Carried.

In a motion by Zietlow, seconded by Feldmann the Board set the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget amendment hearing on May 15th t 5:30 p.m. in the High School Conference Room located at 107 South Street in Delhi, Iowa. Due to the stadium project starting in FY23, the District is amending the Other Expenditures line of their FY23 Certified Budget by \$500,000. All ayes. Carried.

In a motion by Overman, seconded by Zietlow the Morningside Student Teacher Agreement was approved. All ayes, Carried.

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The Board approved the out-of-state travel request from Mary Ries in a motion by Feldmann, seconded by Dabroski. Mrs. Ries will be taking a group of TEL students to Grapevine, Texas this summer for a conference. All ayes. Carried.

In a motion by Overman, seconded by Feldmann the Board approved Board Policy 804.05 Stock Prescription Medication Supply on the first official reading. All ayes. Carried.

The Board was presented with information regarding the 2023-2024 collective bargaining settlement. The Board discussed and shared thoughts regarding this settlement. In a motion by Zietlow, seconded by Feldmann the Board approved the 2023-2024 collective bargaining settlement which equated to a 4.27% increase. All ayes. Carried.

Motion was made by Zietlow, seconded by Dabroski to approve the following salary adjustments for the 2023-2024 school year:

Administrative Staff – 4.27% TP increase

Classified Staff – 3.0% increase plus step movement, average of 4.17% increase

Erika Imler – \$7500 stipend for SBO sharing as long as the sharing agreement is in place

All ayes. Carried.

The Board discussed nominees for the 2023 Five Star award. The selected recipient will be presented with an award during the graduation ceremony.

The Academic Excellence Banquet will be held on May 3rd at 6:30 p.m. Senior Awards and Dollars for Scholars will be held on May 10th at 6:30 p.m. and graduation will be held on May 17th at 7:30 p.m. Kindergarten graduation is scheduled for May 23rd at 1:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m. in a motion by Dabroski, seconded by Feldmann. All ayes. Carried.



MV Fine Arts Boosters

The April meeting of the MV Fine Arts Boosters was called to order April 3rd at 6pm. Members present: C. Kelchen, J. Livingston, K. Ambundo, R. Moriarity, R. Hoefer. Faculty present: Mr Devore. Treasurer's report was not available at the time of the meeting.

New Business: Reviewed request for \$500 for the spring play costumes and set building supplies. Reviewed that last year FAB spent \$3000 for supplies for Clue. Motioned by Rhonda and seconded by Kaylee to spend \$500 for the Spring Play supplies. Mr DeVore reviewed other needs of the Speech Department for upcoming year include: Camcorder(used for TV News and Short Film), Wireless Mics (for Short Film dual set), Portable Speaker (JBL speaker approx \$130), portable cart for the steps (we have had damaged floors in the past with the wheels, approx \$250 each-need 2). Mr DeVore will get quotes for the items so purchases can be reviewed. Mr DeVore showed FAB members the boxes and the stairs that are used during speech contests. He stated that our speech boxes are no longer available to purchase. We will review it with Tiffany to see if she has any ideas.

Unfinished Business: Need to follow up to see if the Athletic Boosters were paid \$500 so we can update the screen in the commons with FAB Activities. Mr DeVore is willing to learn how to upload and teach the other Fine Arts Teachers to upload when available. Mr DeVore stated that we do not need any new plaques this year and only need to get engraving done. He has sent the plaques to Heims and Associates for the engraving. FAB has paid for the engraving previously. FAB will pay for the engraving.

Old Business: The school district is covering the cost of the Auditorium Curtains. Motion for adjournment by Jennifer L. and Seconded by at Kaylee A at 6:59pm.

Upcoming Events:

May 2nd Senior Awards Night

May 5th and 7th Spring Play

May 9th Speech and Drama Awards Night

Submitted By: Rhonda Hoefer

Preschool News

The Preschool White class just finished our Dinosaur Theme last week, and it was definitely one of our favorites this school year. We started the week talking about different dinosaurs and how they lived a really long time ago! During our Centers time, we were very busy building caves and places for dinosaurs to hide in the blocks center, and in the puzzles and games center we had puzzles that showed all different types of dinos! We also explored in our sensory table how paleontologists use different tools to uncover dinosaur bones. The bones we found were not real, but we did find REAL teeth fossils and some pretty impressive looking rocks! In our more creative centers for writing and painting, we had dinosaur stamps with a dinosaur word wall and pictures of fun dinos to paint.

One of our fun stories last week was How To Catch A Dinosaur by Adam Wallace, and we were impressed by all the dinosaur traps the author designed! We decided to draw our own traps, and we were sure, if dinosaurs were still around, we would have caught one!

We finished our week creating our own dinosaurs by cutting out many different shapes and gluing them on paper. We had dinosaurs with spikes, long tails, and dinosaurs of every shape and size. Preschool is all about integrating those important readiness skills with fun, exploration, and creativity! Whether it's doing big dinosaur stomps to letters we've learned, counting dinosaur eggs, or creating something new with Art supplies, we are always learning!!

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.

Calendar Changes Due to Weather

May 24 is now a 2:05 Dismissal
May 25 is now a full day of school
May 26 is now a 1:05 dismissal - last day

Teacher Learning days are 5/30, 5/31, 6/1

Note About Lunch

As of Monday, May 1, charging will not be allowed on lunch accounts. You must have money in your account or pay cash to eat. Also, all negative balances **must be paid by Tuesday, May 9th.**

Summer Hours

The Maquoketa Valley Administration will be working throughout the summer. Hours will be 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM each week, Monday through Thursday. The school office will be CLOSED on Fridays during the summer.

Next School Year

The Maquoketa Valley school calendar for next year is now available on our website at : <http://www.maquoketa-v.k12.ia.us>.

The first day of school for 2023/2024 is

August 23rd, 2023

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MV Market

Maquoketa Valley High School CTE

Delhi City Park
Wednesday, May 10th, 2023
2:30 PM - 6:00 PM



For Sale:

Plants
Baked Goods
MV Apparel



Woodworking and Metal Work Items
Stickers, Magnets, and Window Clings

**Proceeds go to the MV High School FFA,
Industrial Tech, FCS, and Business
Departments to help students continue
their Career and Technical Education.**

Academic Excellence Banquet

On May 3rd, the High School will be celebrating and recognizing those students that have excelled in the classroom and have displayed the established pillars of scholarship, service, leadership and character. The banquet will begin at 6:30 in the high school cafeteria and then after supper the awards will be presented in the high school auditorium.



SENIOR AWARDS CONCERT

The Senior Awards Concert is on **TUESDAY, May 2nd** at 7 p.m in the High School Auditorium. The concert features the high school band and choir, and includes a ceremony to recognize the seniors graduating from each ensemble.



DFS SENIOR AWARDS

Maquoketa Valley High School Senior Awards will be held in the Middle School Multipurpose Room on **Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.** Dollars for Scholars scholarships and other awards and scholarships will be presented at this time.



CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE

CLASS OF 2023!

Commencement:

May 17th - 7:30

High School

Gymnasium

**MAQUOKETA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA
PRESENTS**

Miss Nelson is Missing!

Adapted by Jeffrey Hatcher

Based on the book by Harry Allard and James Marshall
Produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc.
(www.playscripts.com)



Maquoketa Valley HS Auditorium

Friday, May 5 at 7 p.m.

& Sunday, May 7 at 3 p.m.

**Tickets are \$5 each and go on sale beginning April 24.
Purchase at the door or in advance by stopping at the high school
office or calling (563) 922-2091 to reserve tickets.**



¿Qué pasa en Español?

Spanish 1-4 has had a busy incredible year. As a whole we welcomed 3 different guest speakers with a plethora of information and knowledge. María was a foreign exchange student at Ed-Co, that 3 of our students that studied in SPAIN last summer got to meet prior. She came and spoke to ALL classes for a whole day about what her life/ family and school life is like in Spain. Then we welcomed former MV grads Macy Anderegg and Payton Ries, who both had very different nursing experiences in Guatemala through Allen college. They were able to share about their experiences treating people in Guatemala and give perspective on how different healthcare is.

Spanish 1 has spend the entire year, building a foundation of vocabulary to form basic simple conversations. They dove into Día de los Muertos or Day of the day, Caranval and just finished reading their first Novel in Spanish “Los Quince de Raquel” to learn about quinceñeras, and threw a fiesta of their own.

Spanish 2 had really pushed themselves this year learning a lot more vocabulary and being able to talk in the past, future and more, Also reading their first novel about a woman and the terrifying need to immigrate out of home country of Guatemala; and prefacing with a simulation of what school would be like if they were students in Guatemala.

Spanish 3 has spent the year really trying to improve their speaking skills and listening skills- with weekly slang vocab phrases, and focusing topics around Spanish conversation. They are currently preparing to be the first Spanish 3 class to take the Seal of Biliteracy exam starting May 8.

Spanish 4, the culmination of all three years put together. They’ve spent this year reading 2 novels, “Vida y Muerte en la Mara-Salvatrucha”- “Life and Death in la mara- Salvatrucha” - an Ecuadorian gang, alive and strong predominately in L.A. but spread across the nation; and “Don Juan”, a classic Romanticism literature pieces from 1500s Spain. They’ve really worked hard on their speaking, and accent- and truly spent 4 years preparing for the Seal of Biliteracy; while taking cultural breaks to learn more about Dia de los Muertos and Carnaval. They finished their testing April 24. Results take 2 weeks.



2022-2023
Maquoketa Valley High School

Speech & Drama **AWARDS NIGHT**

TUESDAY,
★ **MAY** 9th

★ MAQUOKETA VALLEY HS AUDITORIUM
6:30 P.M.

Celebrating...

**Fall Musical Willy Wonka
Large Group Contest Speech
Individual Events Contest Speech
Spring Play *Miss Nelson is Missing*
Our SENIORS and their parents**

DESSERT BAR TO FOLLOW

**9TH & 10TH GRADES BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE
11TH GRADE BRING A HAWAIIAN PUNCH TO SHARE**

MAY 2023



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>1 PIZZA WG GARLIC BREADSTICK MARINARA LETTUCE CRAISINS PEACHES</p> <p>COMBO ON WG BUN</p>	<p>2 BOSCO STICK MARINARA YOGURT LETTUCE BLUEBERRIES PEARS</p> <p>SAUSAGE EGG BISCUIT</p>	<p>3 OUT AT 2:05PM CORN DOG WAFFLE FRIES BAKED BEANS ORANGES SIDE KICK</p> <p>PANCAKES & SAUSAGE</p>	<p>4 SENIOR PICK TACO SALAD REFRIED BEANS GREEN BEANS TOMATOES RICE MAND. ORANGES</p> <p>BREAKFAST PIZZA</p>	<p>5 CINCO DE MAYO SCHOOL LUNCH HERO DAY HAMBURGER ON WG BUN CHEESE SLICE FRENCH FRIES CARROTS PEACHES</p> <p>BREAKFAST CHOICE</p>
<p>8 SENIORS TOP PICKS THIS WEEK GR. CHICKEN ON WG BUN POTATO TRIANGLE BAKED BEANS APPLESAUCE COOKIE</p> <p>PANCAKE ON A STICK</p>	<p>9 CHICKEN TETRAZZINI WG GARLIC BREADSTICK LETTUCE PEAS ORANGES</p> <p>WG CINNAMON ROLL</p>	<p>10 OUT AT 2:05 PM BBQ PORK ON WG BUN CHEESY POTATOES COLESLAW BROCCOLI STRAWBERRIES</p> <p>OMELET/CROIS.</p>	<p>11 CHICKEN NUGGETS WG DINNER ROLL (9-12) MASHED POTATOES CHICKEN GRAVY CORN BANANA</p> <p>FRENCH TOAST</p>	<p>12 MAC & CHEESE WG CINNAMON ROLL LETTUCE PEAS APPLES SIDE KICK</p> <p>BREAKFAST CHOICE</p>
<p>15 CHICKEN PATTY ON WG BUN POTATO TRIANGLE CHEESY BROCCOLI STRAWBERRIES BROWNIE</p> <p>BREAKFAST PIZZA</p>	<p>16 MAID RITE ON WG BUN NATURAL CUT FRIES CARROTS APRICOTS PEARS</p> <p>SAUSAGE EGG BISCUIT</p>	<p>17 OUT AT 2:05PM WALKING TACO REFRIED BEANS GREEN BEANS TOMATOES RICE MAND. ORANGES</p> <p>PANCAKES/SAUSAGE</p>	<p>16 TENDERLOIN/WG BUN HASH BROWN PATTY BAKED BEANS GRAPES PEACHES</p> <p>.SCR. EGG & TOAST</p>	<p>19 CHEESY GARLIC BREAD LETTUCE CARROTS APPLES</p> <p>LONG JOHN</p>
<p>22 CHICKEN STRIPS DINNER ROLL (9-12) CURLY FRIES CORN STR. APPLESauce PEACH CRISP</p> <p>COMBO ON A BUN</p>	<p>23 MR. RIB ON WG BUN WEDGE CUTS CARROTS APPLES PINEAPPLE</p> <p>PANCAKE ON A STICK</p>	<p>24 OUT AT 2:05PM PIZZA DIPPER MARINARA LETTUCE STRAWBERRIES W/BANANAS</p> <p>LONG JOHN</p>	<p>25 MEATBALL SUB CURLY FRIES CARROTS//CELERY ORANGES SIDEKICK</p> <p>FRENCH TOAST</p>	<p>26 OUT AT 1:05 PM SUB ON WG BUN CHIPS COOKS CHOICE VEGGIE COOKS CHOICE FRUIT</p> <p>BREAKFAST CHOICE</p>
<p>ENJOY YOUR SUMMER</p>		<p>ATTENTION PARENTS: IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP A POSITIVE BALANCE IN YOUR CHILD'S ACCOUNT AT ALL TIMES.</p> <p>(9-12) = HS ONLY WG= WHOLE GRAIN</p>	<p>THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.</p> <p>EVERY MEAL IS SERVED WITH A 8 OZ. MILK.</p> <p>ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME.</p>	<p>SALAD IS OFFERED EVERYDAY FOR 7-12 GRADE</p> <p>STRING CHEESE, EXTRA MILK AND EXTRA ENTREE COST YOU THE PARENT.</p> <p>ALL MEALS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME.</p>

DUE TO SUPPLY CHAIN DISRUPTIONS, ITEMS ON MENU MAY CHANGE AT ANYTIME. THANKS FOR UNDERSTANDING.