

# MJS Weekly Update

April 23, 2021

## Dear MJS Community,

Our building has come alive this spring! I truly wish we could have every community member visit our school in action - the energy and learning that is going on is contagious. A big thank you to our teaching staff for infusing their passion and love of learning into everything they do!

We are ready for our May 3 transition to Phase 2, hosting all students who desire to be in person five days a week. We will continue with the current schedule and 12:40 pm dismissal. We will also continue to offer our full-time remote learning option. Next week, a questionnaire will be emailed home asking parents/guardians to choose either the 5 Day In-person schedule or the Full-Time Remote Learning schedule.

Again, the move the May 3 is anticipated based on health data, but we will optimistically plan for this shift to take place.

### **6th Grade Luau Social Sponsored by the PTO**

MJS Sixth graders are invited to a Luau Social on Wednesday, May 6, from 4-6 pm at the junior school (rain date May 25.) Games, music, races, basketball and knockout contests, photo station, ice cream truck, and so much more. Admission is free, and drop-off will take place on the side of the school via the Brittin St. entrance. All phones will be placed in a drop-off bin upon entry. Events will take place on the backfield, faculty parking lot, and school gymnasium. Social distancing will be enforced, and masks are required.

- The Genesis Health Screening form needs to be filled out this day for student entry.
- Students must have the parent/guardian permission slip fill out to attend the event - this will be emailed home Monday to all sixth-grade families.

Students are encouraged to dress comfortably and for the weather, and of course, in their best Hawaiian or Luau clothes!

### **Kiss the Cast Has Gone VIRTUAL**

Support the cast and crew of **PeterPan Jr** by sending a note of congrats along with a Hershey's Kiss! Not only will you be showing your support for family & friends, but you'll also be supporting Madison Music & Arts, the arts booster club for K-12 in Madison Public Schools.

- Kiss the Cast & payment form can be found [here](#).

- To find out more about Madison Music & Arts, visit their [website](#).

### **We Need You**

Madison Public Schools is actively searching for daily substitute teachers for our district. If you or a fellow Madison resident you know is interested in joining the MPS team, please apply! [Click here for more information on how to become an MPS substitute](#).

### **Reminder for 8th Grade Course Appeals**

A friendly reminder for eighth-grade families that the Course Appeals deadline is next week, April 28th. Below is the link to the appeals form and the MHS guidance website for contact information.

- [Appeals Form](#)
- [MHS Guidance Webpage, "Scheduling" tab](#):

### **MJS Book Fair Success**

Thanks to the PTO, our PTO volunteers, and everyone's cooperation, our in-person book fair was a success! We appear to have reached 89% of our goal for the fair, and we have supported many students and teachers in connecting with books they are excited about!

The online book fair continues through May 4 at a **new link**:  
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/madisonjuniorschoolonline>


### **MJS Educators of the Year - Open Nominations**

The New Jersey Department of Education has announced the Governor's Award for Outstanding Educator of the Year nominations is now open. This celebratory program continues to recognize our state's best teachers and educational service professionals.

Do you know a classroom teacher or educational services professional who is dedicated, inspiring, and making a difference in students' lives? If so, please take the time to recommend this person.

- To nominate an educator, [print out this form](#) and drop it off/send it into the MJS office by Friday, April 30. Or, you can send an email with all information requested on this form and send it off to Brooke Phillips at [phillipsb@madisonnjps.org](mailto:phillipsb@madisonnjps.org).
- [Check out this document](#) which outlines the eligibility requirements and roles for eligible educators and educational services professionals.

Please note that you may nominate both a classroom teacher AND an educational services professional.



# Let's Celebrate!

► 6TH GRADE LUAU SOCIAL ◀

When: MAY 6TH | Time: 4-6PM

Where: MADISON JUNIOR SCHOOL

Who: ONLY MJS 6TH GRADERS

GAMES  
DJ  
RACES

KNOCK-OUT BASKETBALL CONTEST  
PHOTO STATION  
INFLATABLE HUNGRY HIPPO GAME  
ICE CREAM TRUCK + MUCH MORE!

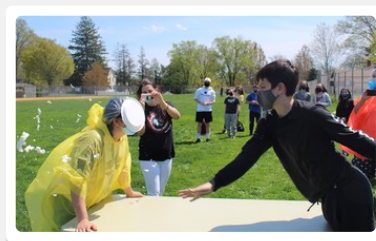
*Free Admission*  
-SPONSORED BY MJS PTO-

DROP OFF ON SIDE OF THE SCHOOL  
EVENT WILL BE IN FACULTY PARKING LOT, BACK FIELD & GYM  
PHONES WILL BE PLACED IN A DROP BOX

\*SOCIAL DISTANCING WILL BE ENFORCED & MASKS ARE A MUST!

## 7th Grade Pi Day

The seventh grade hosted a belated annual Pi Day celebration. Students and teachers raised \$754.50 that will be donated to a local charity as voted by the grade level students next week. Students purchased lottery tickets that gave them a chance to 'Pi' their teacher with a whip cream pie. It was a successful Pi Day for everyone!



READY, SET, GO!

Registration is officially open for the 2021 Virtual Madison 5K Run/Walk to benefit MEF and support Madison public Schools. Get all of the details and register yourself or your whole family at [www.mefnj.org](http://www.mefnj.org).

NEW THIS YEAR:

Join us 1st Annual MEF Health & Wellness Fair on May 2nd from 12-2pm at Dodge Field. The event will mark the start of the 2021 Virtual Madison 5K Run/Walk and will feature interactive activities and giveaways from MEF sponsors and live entertainment, including performances by Madison public school students.

#MEFMadison5K



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# HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR



**Sunday**  
**May 2nd**  
**12-2pm**  
**at Dodge Field**  
**Madison, NJ**

*Support the  
local businesses  
who donate so  
generously to  
our schools.*

The Madison Education Foundation  
invites you to join us for our

**1<sup>st</sup> Health & Wellness Fair**

to mark the start of our  
18th Annual and 2nd Virtual

## Madison 5K Run/Walk

to benefit MEF and Madison Public Schools

- Enjoy live performances by Madison students and others.
- Participate in activities and giveaways from MEF sponsors.
- Covid-19 safety precautions, including mask wearing and social distancing, must be followed.



Run/Walk Sign up

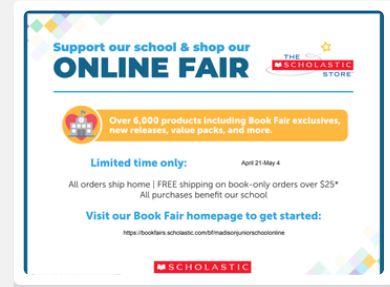
for more information go to [www.mefnj.org](http://www.mefnj.org)



The MEF is a 501(c)(3).



Virtual Book Fair Runs Through May 4 - click any photo below to shop for summer reading books!



## MJS & CarePlus Wellness Corner

[Click here](#) for 8 strategies for a healthy Spring. From getting enough sleep and exercise to drinking enough water, a few simple changes may make a world of difference.

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**MAKE THIS SUMMER AWESOME**

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE**  
WITH AN ENTIRELY NEW COURSE GROUPS  
FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH  
3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE, AND REAL-WORLD COURSES  
FOR 9<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup>, WE HAVE A  
CHALLENGE FOR EVERYONE!

**DESIGN YOUR SCHEDULE**  
WE HAVE BOTH IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL  
COURSE OFFERINGS THAT CAN BE TAKEN  
DURING AM, PM, OR FULL-DAY SESSIONS!

**LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES**  
FROM MAKER CRAFTS TO PROTOTYPING,  
ROBOTICS, CODING, PHOTOGRAPHY AND  
MORE, INNOVATE AND DESIGN EVERYTHING!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON PRICING, ENROLLMENT, AND COURSE OFFERINGS CAN BE FOUND AT:  
**WWW.MADISONPUBLICSCHOOLS.ORG/STEAMACADEMY**



## MJS THIS WEEK

Monday 4/26 **A Maroon**

Tuesday 4/27 **B Gold**

Wednesday 4/28 **A Gold**

Thursday 4/29 **B Maroon**

Friday 4/30 **A Gold**

*Piece together your perfect summer at this year's*

## Madison Summer Arts Program



*In Person at Madison Junior School - June 28th - July 23rd 2021*

*Virtual Lessons - June 28th - August 20th 2021*

[Registration Link!](#)





## Madison In-Person Summer Arts Program Information

*June 28 to July 23, 2021*

The Department of Visual and Performing Arts is excited to announce the details for the upcoming 2021 Summer Arts In-Person Program. All classes will be given at Madison Junior School and will be held between 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Our program will include instrumental music, vocal and musical theater classes and new for this summer, is dance! Students also have the option of participating in the district STEAM camp in the afternoon which is a separate registration form and fee.

### Class Descriptions

- 1. Beginning Strings, Brass and Woodwinds (entering grades 4-6)**  
This class is for students who have NEVER played their chosen instrument before or for those with limited experience. Students who have had at least 6 months of instruction should consult their music teacher to confirm they are ready for the intermediate class. All classes will meet from 9:00-9:45 a.m. (Daily, Monday-Friday)
- 2. Beginning Percussion (entering grades 4 and up)**  
All students must receive prior approval from their school's music teacher before registering for this class. Each group will receive two 45 minute lessons each week or if scheduled as a private lesson, will have two 30 minute lessons. The lessons will be given sometime between the hours of 9:45-12:30. Dependent upon progress, and if so desired, beginning students will be able to attend the intermediate ensemble rehearsals.
- 3. Intermediate Brass, Strings, Woodwinds, and Percussion (entering grades 5-8)**  
Each group will receive two 45 minute lessons a week or if scheduled as a private lesson, will have two 30 minute lessons. The lessons will be given sometime between the hours of 9:45-12:30. Each intermediate student will also have 2 ensemble rehearsals. 5th/6th grade band will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:45-10:30. 7th/8th grade band will take place Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:45-11:30. An optional flute ensemble will also meet for flutists entering grade 5-8 from 10:45-11:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. 5<sup>th</sup> grade flutists wanting to participate in flute ensemble should receive prior approval from their music teacher before registering. Flutists should select either band or flute ensemble. Students may participate in both for a \$40.00 additional fee. Finally 5th-8th grade orchestra will meet from 10:00-10:45 on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- 4. Advanced Instrumental Lessons (entering grades 9-12) or Beginning Instrumental Lessons (entering grades 7-12)**  
Each group will receive three 45 minute lessons each week, or if scheduled as a private lesson, will have two lessons. The lessons will be given sometime between the hours of 9:45-12:30. Dependent upon progress, and if so desired, beginning students will be able to attend the intermediate ensemble rehearsals.



# REMINDER

All tech support  
questions should  
be emailed to:

[mpstech@madisonnjps.org](mailto:mpstech@madisonnjps.org)



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## HW Calendars

[6A Homework Calendar](#)

[6B Homework Calendar](#)

[6th Grade Periods 789](#)

The logo for 7th grade, featuring a large red '7' followed by 'th' in orange script.

## HW Calendars

[7A Homework Calendar](#)

[7B Homework Calendar](#)

[7th Grade Periods 789](#)

The logo for 8th grade, featuring a large red '8' followed by 'th' in orange script.

## HW Calendars

[8A Homework Calendar](#)

[8B Homework Calendar](#)

[8th Grade Periods 789](#)

## MJS Link Bank

[MJS Bell Schedule](#)

[MJS Yearly Calendar - A/B Days - Color Cohort Days](#)

[MJS Morning Announcements](#)

[MJS Archive of Updates & Newsletters](#)

## Upcoming Dates

April 26 - 5th to 6th Grade Parent Orientation via Zoom 7:00 pm

April 28 - MJS Family Trivia Night 7:00 pm

April 30 - MJS Musical Peter Pan 5:00 pm

May 1 - MJS Musical Peter Pan 5:00 pm

May 2 - MJS Musical Peter Pan - Rain Date only

May 6 - 6th Grade Social - 4-6:00 pm (Rain date 5/25)

May 14 - AERSHES Kickball Fundraiser 3:15 pm

## I'd like to know about...

Please feel free to use this [Feedback Link](#) to ask Ms. Phillips to include certain information in a future update. It's helpful to know what you would like to learn more about.