



MILLINGTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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"YOU CAN'T HIDE THAT CARDINAL PRIDE"

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 17, 2023

The Week of April 17th is Volunteer Appreciation Week. Thank you to all of the volunteers who donate their time and talents to Millington Community Schools. We appreciate everything you do for our staff and students. Thank you to all of the members of the Meachum PTO who put on the Mother/Son and Daddy/Daughter Dances this weekend. Thank you, also, to the members of the Millington Boosters.

Upcoming Events

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| Tuesday 4/18 | TVC Academic Banquet @ SVSU – Top 3 Students
County-Wide School Board Dinner @ Vassar Public Schools |
| Wednesday 4/19 | Academic Games @ SVSU
DTE Think Energy Program – Meachum Elementary – Fourth Grade |
| Thursday 4/20 | District Improvement Team Meeting @ 3:30 pm
Social Emotional Behavior Team Meeting @ 4:20 pm |
| Friday 4/21 | Golden Rule Dinner @ Millington United Methodist Church – 6:00 pm |
| Monday 4/24 | Lions Top 10 Dinner |
| Saturday 4/29 | Prom 2023 @ Lapeer Country Club – 6:00 to 11:00 pm |

E-Sports

Millington High School is looking to start an E-Sports Program in the 2023-2024 School Year. Mr. Moore sent out a survey through Google Classroom to determine whether there is enough interest to move forward. Please complete the survey as soon as possible if you are interested in joining the team. Thank you to our staff members for providing opportunities to students who are not interested in participating in athletics.

"Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time."

Thomas A. Edison

Staff Spotlight



The Staff Spotlight for the Week of April 17, 2023 is Mrs. Witmer. Mrs. Witmer graduated from Millington High School in 1983 and went on to earn a Medical Assistant Degree. She worked in the medical field until her children were born. She has been working for Millington Community Schools over the past twenty-five school years. Mrs. Witmer started out working in food service for three years and transitioned to working as a bus driver for the district. Mrs. Witmer and her husband, Jim (1982), will be married thirty-seven years this upcoming September. The first time they met was in the East Hallway between the Office and the Library. Mr. and Mrs. Witmer have two children who graduated from Millington High School: Jennifer (2006) and Justen (2010). Jennifer lives in Montana and works as a Certified Nurse's Assistant. Justen lives in Vassar and is a physical security service technician for Diebold, a company that manufactures, installs, and services banking equipment. Justen is married to Kim Secord, who also graduated from MHS in 2010 and works at Covenant Hospital in Saginaw. Mrs. Witmer is excited that Justen and Kim are expecting

a child in October. When asked what is the best thing about being a bus driver, Mrs. Witmer replied, "The best part is really the kids, if you are nice to the kids they are nice to you. I've seen so many TVC Championships, District Championships, Regional Championships, Quarter-Finals, and Semi-Finals. The biggest excitement was the State Titles I've driven to for Softball, it was such an honor to be a very small part of that excitement. I've also worked with some great people. I've made lifelong friends not only in Millington, but with driving the Tech Center Run the past twenty years I met friends from other schools as well."

Cardinals in the Crowd – "Once A Cardinal, Always A Cardinal"

The Cardinals in the Crowd for the Week of April 17, 2023 are Kevin and Kimberly Blackmer. Mr. Blackmer graduated from MHS in 1989 and raced BMX Bikes, receiving several nation-wide rankings. Mrs. Blackmer graduated from MHS in 1994 and was a member of the Cheerleading Team for Basketball and Football. She also played Softball and was involved in the Concert and Marching Bands. After high school, she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Health Science and a Master's Degree in Occupational Therapy. Mr. and Mrs. Blackmer have two children who attend Millington High School: Konner (2023) and Kamryn (2026). Konner has been playing baseball since he was four years old and really has an IQ for the game. He is currently a member of the Varsity Baseball team and has officiated for summer recreation leagues over the past two years. In his spare time, he enjoys working at the Fortress Golf and Country Club in Frankenmuth during the summer months. Kamryn has been playing volleyball since she was in seventh grade. She plays for the SMASH Volleyball Club and was also a member of the Freshman Volleyball Team this year. She has also played Softball since she was very young and is a member of the Varsity Softball Team this season. Upon his graduation from MHS, Konner plans to attend a community college to complete his general classes and play baseball. He would like to eventually transfer to a four-year university to pursue a degree in Nursing and/or Anesthesiology. The kids have always helped sort, load, unload, and deliver food and gifts to local families at the local "Needy Family" Charity, a program that their grandmother spearheaded for approximately sixty years. The Blackmer Family enjoys attending any and all sporting events as well as watching the events that other family members participate in. They enjoy traveling for summer baseball and softball and also to Florida several times a year to spend time with family and to get away. They also love being a part of our little, tight-knit community of Millington.

