



MISSION VALLEY USD 330 HOME OF THE VIKINGS APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER



Here we are....the 4th quarter of the 2021-2022 has kicked off which means the end of another school year is getting ready to wrap up. Over the past couple years we have endured and overcome many challenges, challenges which taught us much about ourselves not only as a school district but also as individuals in our own lives. The challenges and obstacles presented by the COVID-19 pandemic that we faced as a school community could not have been overcome without the support, encouragement, and patience extended by our Viking Family. As we move forward there will be more challenges, more obstacles, more tough decisions to make, etc..., and to successfully meet these challenges we must continue to plan for the future.

At the April Board of Education meeting, the board will be taking action on a bond resolution to officially move forward with facility and athletic upgrades and new construction. The USD 330 Mission Valley Mission Statement says, the *"Mission Valley School District is dedicated to providing a safe, orderly learning environment in which to direct and assist students as they prepare for a fulfilling and productive life."* The upgrades and new construction found in the proposed bond project will address the key components of the mission statement.

Major facility upgrades have been discussed since September 2021 when Piper-Sandler Financial met with the board and informed them that there was an opportunity to do approximately \$10 million of facility projects with no increase in the current mill levy. In October we then began to gather information about facility needs from patrons, parents, and staff. After being selected by the board, HTK Architects then began the process of designing a scope of work using information they gathered from meeting with parents, patrons, staff, board members, and administration. After a series of meetings with a community facility group and work sessions with the board, a project scope was developed and recommended to the board at the March BOE meeting.

The facility group recommended and the BOE will be moving forward with the previous mentioned bond resolution that includes the following:

RECOMMENDATION #1		
PROJECT	WHAT IT INCLUDES	COST
Career & Technical Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ag Education Expansion & Upgrades -New Business & FACS Classrooms -Connecting existing facility to outside building/classrooms 	<p>\$5.213 million</p> <p>57% of Recommendation #1</p>
7-12 Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Upgrade (2) science classroom -Remodel/upgrade the 7-12 office space -Remodel vacated Business/FACS space into professional development room/additional meeting room/flex room -Flooring abatement/masonry 	<p>\$1.34 million</p> <p>15% of Recommendation #1</p>

Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -JH/HS Secure Entrance -Intercom upgrade for entire building -JH/HS foyer upgrade 	<p>\$714,000</p> <p>7.8% of Recommendation #1</p>
Athletics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Installation of All-Weather Track -New lighting at track/football field 	<p>\$1.84 million</p> <p>20% of Recommendation #1</p>

Total Project Cost = \$9.09 million
 Current Mill Levy = 11.169 mills
 Anticipated Mill Levy = 11.169 mills
 Mill Levy Increase = 0.00 mills

RECOMMENDATION #2		
PROJECT	WHAT IT INCLUDES	COST
Athletics	New Softball Field New Baseball Field Field parking lot	\$2.695 million
Total Project Cost = \$2.695 million Current Mill Levy = 11.169 mills Projected Mill Levy = 14.25 mills Mill Levy Increase = 3.081 mills		

Although it will not be official until approved by the BOE, the current plan is to have both recommendations as proposals on the bond ballot. Patrons will have the option to vote Yes or No for each one of the recommendations. The projected costs provided include all construction costs, associated fees, surveys, planning, design, contingency, etc...

If both recommendations are approved, then for an additional 3.081 mills a \$11.785 million dollar project would be started.

*61% of the total project would be for new and remodeled classroom areas, security upgrades, office expansion & upgrades

*39% of the total project would be for new softball, baseball, and track construction. Along with new lighting at the football field.

Since the 2014-15 school year the total mill levy assessed by USD 330 Mission Valley has decreased 2.939 mills from 61.414 mills to the current mill levy of 58.475 mills. The additional 3.081 mills needed to finance the \$11.785 million project is .142 mills greater than the mill levy in 2014-2015. The following financial data provided by Piper-Sandler Financial explains the impact that an additional 3.081 mills would have on district tax payers

What does a 3.081 mill increase mean for a homeowner?			
*WabCo Median Home Value (\$146,700)			
PROPERTY VALUE	ANNUAL TAX	MONTHLY TAX	DAILY TAX
\$50,000	\$17.72	\$1.48	\$0.05
\$75,000	\$26.57	\$2.21	\$0.07
\$100,000	\$35.43	\$2.95	\$0.10
\$150,000	\$53.15	\$4.43	\$0.15
\$200,000	\$70.86	\$5.91	\$0.19

What does a 3.081 mill increase mean for a business owner?			
PROPERTY VALUE	ANNUAL TAX	MONTHLY TAX	DAILY TAX
\$50,000	\$38.51	\$3.21	\$0.11
\$75,000	\$57.77	\$4.81	\$0.16
\$100,000	\$77.02	\$6.42	\$0.21
\$150,000	\$115.54	\$9.63	\$0.32
\$200,000	\$154.05	\$12.84	\$0.42

What does a 3.081 mill increase mean for a land owner?

PROPERTY	ANNUAL TAX	MONTHLY TAX	ANNUAL COST PER ACRE
160 Acres Dry Crop Land (Median Use Value = \$420/acre)	\$62.11	\$0.39	\$5.18
160 Acres Grassland (Median Use Value = \$68/acre)	\$10.06	\$0.06	\$0.84

*Estimated Median Use Value of 160 acres of dry crop land = \$67,200

*Estimated Median Use Value of 160 acres of grass land = \$10,880

Throughout this process the goal of the BOE was to keep the cost of the project at a point with as little impact to the mill levy as possible. From the above information you can see that \$9.09 million dollars worth of new construction and upgrades can be done with zero mill levy increase, and for 3.081 mills then an additional \$2.695 million worth of new athletic construction could be completed. The \$2.695 million for softball & baseball fields/parking represents 22.8% of the entire \$11.785 million project.

As mentioned before, the USD 330 Board of Education does plan to take action to adopt a bond resolution to move the process forward. If approved, then the project will be reviewed for approval by the Kansas State Department of Education, with the bond project to be voted upon in August.

Additional information from the district will be shared as it becomes available. Please contact USD 330 Mission Valley if you have any questions.

Have a great Spring.....and GO VIKINGS!

William J. Clark, Superintendent/SPED Director

The Cost of Special Education in Kansas



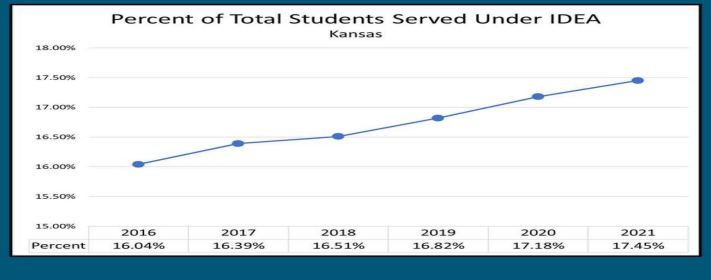
Special Education Is

- Federally Mandated under IDEA for students with disabilities
- Specially Designed Instruction and Related Services to meet IEP Goals in the student's Least Restrictive Environment
- Due Process protecting student rights to Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for children age 3-21 according to an individualized education program (IEP)

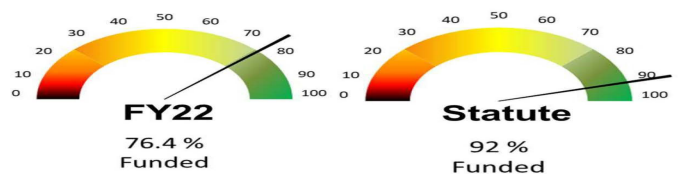
Special Education is not

- At-Risk
- ADA/Section 504

- Kansas Statute outlines 92% of excess costs to be funded by the state leaving 8% of excess costs to the local school districts. K.S.A. 72-978.
- Special education excess cost for the past 5 years has ranged from 74.3% to 81.4%. For 2021-2022, it is estimated to be 76.4% thanks to increased federal COVID relief funds.
- The Legislative Post Audit found during the 2017-18 school year alone, this underfunding totaled \$77 million. The Kansas Dept of Education indicates special education is currently underfunded by \$140 million. This places a strain on school district budgets and reduces available funds for all other school programs.



Kansas Special Education Funding



Special Education Kansas Facts

- Over one in six students receive special ed services.
- Since 2001, special ed enrollment up 20%, four times total enrollment.
- Since 1998, special education teachers up 25%; paraprofessionals up 93%
- Three-to-five-year-olds receiving special education up 52.3 percent since 2001
- Biggest challenges are growing numbers of students with aggressive behaviors, who can't regulate themselves, can't interact with other students and may be dangerous to themselves and others and destroy school property; and those lacking in speech and language skills.



Kansas Special Education Excess Cost Funding History

2015-16	\$ 434,754,409 (80.0%)
2016-17	\$ 435,469,632 (79.6%)
2017-18	\$ 445,981,646 (78.5%)
2018-19	\$ 490,380,818 (81.4%)
2019-20	\$ 497,709,133 (75.3%)
2020-21	\$ 505,566,465 (74.3%)
2021-22 (est.)	\$ 513,030,935 (76.4%)
2022-23 (est.)	\$ 520,380,818 (70.8%)
2023-2024 (est.)	\$ 520,380,818 (64.3%)

Source: KASB Increasing student needs drive special education costs and staff shortage
Kansas Associate of Special Education Administrators December 2021

Spring Awards Ceremonies

We are looking forward to celebrating all of our students accomplishments in their academics, athletics, clubs, and student organizations once again this year at our annual Spring Awards Ceremony. This event will once again be held during the school day and parents are welcome to attend if they are able. The event will be held in the main gymnasium on May 4th, 2022 with JH starting at 1:00pm and HS starting at 2:30pm.

Social Studies Textbooks

We are excited to announce that our 7th-12th grade Social Studies department will be receiving new textbooks, materials and online resources thanks to the Board of Education approving our request to update this curriculum! We are very excited and thankful for the needed upgrade to our department.

Prom

MVHS Prom will be on Saturday April 23rd @ The Beacon in Topeka. Students requesting to bring outside dates need to have their form turned in by April 4th. After Prom Permission forms are due March 30th. Thank you to our sponsors and parents for creating another fun and safe evening for our students.

Finals Policy and Dates

We will run our finals schedules again this Spring in an effort to reward those students who have worked hard to keep their grades up and who have shown excellent attendance and behaviors all semester. Seniors will take finals on May 11th-12th, 7th-11th Grades will have finals on May 16th-17th. If High School students meet the requirements to be exempt from finals they do not have to attend school on the testing dates. (JH students do need to attend).

Last Days of School

Seniors will need to be checked out by Friday May 13th. They can check out on their last official day of school on May 10th before finals. Our final day of school for the semester will be May 18th for all students. GO VIKINGS!

Randy Wild, 7-12 Principal

Mission Valley Elementary Family Night was a huge success! Our families were invited to come to the school for an evening of food, fun and memories at no cost. Sixth grade students, parents and staff volunteered their time to make each station a success. We had over 350 in attendance that visited stations for art, book bingo, estimation, math, photos, pizza (which we will have more of next year), and glo fun. Those that participated in each station were entered to win a Family Zoo Pass at the Topeka Zoo!

Thank you to MV PTO for providing the pizza and drinks. Thank you to our volunteers! Congratulations to Estimation & Zoo Pass winners listed below!

Amy Johnston
MVE Elementary Principal

Student Volunteers

Addison Beasterfeld
Keely Chesmore
Nova Duehring
Rachel Garmon
Keegan Hoelting
Joel Johnston
Kathryn Landreth
Will Packard
Harley Rayzor
Connor Hoelting
Clara Johnston
Grace Johnston
Lea Parker

Staff Volunteers

Jeannie Browning
Alicia Christiansen
Denise Elliott
Shelly Haya
Kelly Hoelting
Ryan Johnston
Jeri Palmquist
Bridget Rayzor
Brenda Rutledge
Jenny Spoon

Parent Volunteers

Brandi Duehring
Kelly Rubio-Merz

Estimation Winners

PK/K - Khloe Dinwiddie
1st/2nd - Easton Emmerich
3rd/4th - Harper George
5th/6th (tie) - Jarett Bevitt & Michael Taylor
Adult (tie) - Josh Gray & Hanna Rush
Volunteer - Addison Beasterfeld

MVE Family Fun Night

Family Zoo Pass Winner
GIANNA ZECKER



Unofficial Minutes (subject to Board approval)
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – March 7, 2022

Board President, Jacob Durkes, called the special meeting of the Board of Education of Mission Valley USD #330 to order at 5:36 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria at Mission Valley Schools. Board members present were Mistina Kraus, Clipper Goodrich, Jon Deters and Chris Campbell. Tuff Stephenson and Nick Beasterfeld were absent. The superintendent and board clerk also attended.

The purpose of the special meeting was to have a work session with HTK Architects, Elizabeth Johnson and Maria Kutina, on the bond facility process.

Jon Deters moved, seconded by Clipper Goodrich, to adjourn the special meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion passed 5 to 0.

Respectfully submitted, Tasha Raine, Board Clerk

Unofficial Minutes (subject to Board approval)
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – March 14, 2022

Jacob Durkes called the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Mission Valley USD #330 to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria at Mission Valley Schools. Board members present were Tuff Stephenson, Jon Deters, Nick Beasterfeld and Mistina Kraus. Clipper Goodrich joined via Zoom. Chris Campbell was absent. The superintendent and board clerk also attended.

Tuff Stephenson moved, seconded by Nick Beasterfeld, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Eighth graders and their parents assembled over 500 dozen burritos for their Worlds of Fund fundraiser. Hope Blake was recognized for being KSHAA State Champion in wrestling. Coach Parker expressed his appreciation to all the wrestlers he coached this year.

Tuff Stephenson moved, seconded by Mistina Kraus, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Items in the consent agenda that were approved include: approval of minutes from the February 14, 2022 regular board meeting as presented; approval of clerk's report and treasurer's report as presented; approval of warrants in the amount of \$161,926.38; approval of extra duty pay in the amount of \$4,094.35; approval of transfers from the general fund to the vocational education fund in the amount of \$40,000.00; approval of transfers from the general fund to the at risk fund in the amount of \$15,000; approval of transfers from the general fund to the pre-k at risk fund in the amount of \$4,000; approval of transfers from the general fund to the virtual education fund in the amount of \$1,000; approval of administrators written reports and approval of the following personnel changes; retirement of Marva Bays as head cook, resignation of Denise Elliott as paraprofessional, hiring of Denise Elliott as K-6 secretary and transfer of Rebecca Bouws as teacher aide to paraprofessional.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Tuff Stephenson, to approve the recommended policy updates from KASB for policies; DJE (Purchasing), GAAD (Child Abuse), IF (Textbooks, Instructional Materials & Media Centers Form), IIA (Performance-Based Credits), JBCB (Foster Care Students), JCDB (Dress Code) and KGA (Use of District Personal Property and Equipment). Motion passed 6 to 0.

Kathy Mickey, Food Service Director, presented her material on the program and average daily participation. Mr. Clark presented his results to the food service survey sent out to students.

Jon Deters moved, seconded by Tuff Stephenson, to approve the 2022-23 contract renewal with OPAA!. Motion passed 4 to 2 with Mistina Kraus and Nick Beasterfeld voting no.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Mistina Kraus, to approve the technology coordinator job description as presented. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Jacob Durkes moved to approve the superintendent contract, discussion was had and Jacob Durkes withdrew his motion.

Jacob Durkes moved to go into executive session, discussion was had and Jacob Durkes withdrew his motion.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Tuff Stephenson, to approve the Canon copier lease as presented. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Jon Deters, to approve the new social studies curriculum request for K-12. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Tuff Stephenson moved, seconded by Mistina Kraus, to approve the discontinuation of the requirement to wear a mask or face covering while being transported or driving a school vehicle. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Tuff Stephenson, to approve the 2022-23 school calendar #5 as presented. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Charlie Chesmore presented the bond facility committee recommendations.

The Year Four Collaboration Document was reviewed.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Tuff Stephenson, to go into executive session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss the superintendent and administrator contracts pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and that they return to open session in the same room at 9:15 p.m. Motion passed 6 to 0.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:15 p.m.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Tuff Stephenson, to go back into executive session at 9:16 p.m. to discuss the superintendent and administrator contracts pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and that they return to open session in the same room at 9:26 p.m. The superintendent also attended. Motion passed 6 to 0.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:26 p.m.

Tuff Stephenson moved, seconded by Jon Deters, to approve the superintendent and administrator contracts for the 2022-23 school year. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Tuff Stephenson moved, seconded by Jon Deters, to approve the resignation of Meagan Lowe as assistant cheer sponsor, the resignation of Jarrod Taylor

as assistant junior high basketball coach, the resignation of Justin Duncan as head baseball coach, the hiring of Kristy Larson as 7-12 mathematics teacher, the hiring of Kasi Kraus as assistant softball coach and the hiring of Amelia Hancock as assistant forensics coach. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Tuff Stephenson moved, seconded by Jon Deters, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 6 to 0. Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tasha Raine, Board Clerk

**Unofficial Minutes (subject to Board approval)
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – March 23, 2022**

Board President, Jacob Durkes, called the special meeting of the Board of Education of Mission Valley USD #330 to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Elementary Cafeteria at Mission Valley Schools. Board members present were Clipper Goodrich, Jon Deters, Nick Beasterfeld and Chris Campbell. Mistina Kraus and Tuff Stephenson were absent. The superintendent and board clerk also attended.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Clipper Goodrich, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed 5 to 0.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Clipper Goodrich, to accept the resignation of Rodney Hasenbank as Assistant Principal/Athletic Director at the end of the 2021-22 school year. Motion passed 5 to 0.

Discussion was had with HTK Architect, Maria Kutina, on the bond facility process.

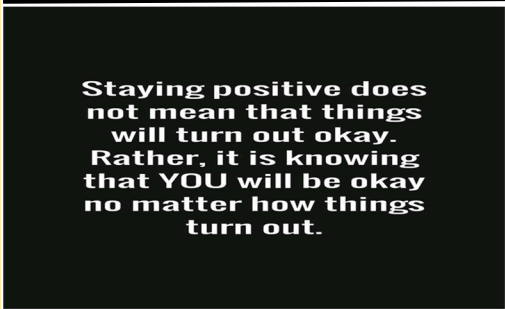
Mistina Kraus joined the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Clipper Goodrich, to go into executive session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and that they return to open session in the same room at 7:05 p.m. The superintendent also attended. Motion passed 6 to 0.

The meeting reconvened in open session at 7:05 p.m.

Jacob Durkes moved, seconded by Chris Campbell, to adjourn the special meeting at 7:07 p.m. Motion passed 6 to 0.

Respectfully submitted, Tasha Raine, Board Clerk



Spring break, hopefully brought much needed relaxation to you all. I, well.. started renovating my kitchen so relaxation just was not in the schedule.

We had a very successful Advisory Conference this last month where the students were able to present their ‘Student-Led Conference’ to their parents/guardians and advisors. For all of those who attended to support your students, it was very much appreciated.

As always, thank you all so much for your continued support of the students, teachers, administrators, and the goals here at Mission Valley.

Preparation for Enrollment for Fall 2022

The upcoming seniors, juniors, and sophomores have been diligently working on their Course Planners within the Xello College/Career Readiness platform. The students can access their course planner from school or home using their chromebook or a home device. If given the opportunity, it would be very helpful if the parents/guardians could have the student sit down with them and review the upcoming requests for courses. The student’s interests are the primary driving force on course selection and number of sections available, so this is a very important function in master schedule development.

After they have completed the course planning components the students will be provided with an pre-enrollment ‘Google’ Form to finalize their enrollments for the next academic year that list each course and the hours they will be available. These forms will be emailed to the students directly.

A copy of any scheduling can be handed to you (from your child) or emailed to you. There will be a ‘physical’ enrollment at MVHS in August (date to be determined) to assist with class scheduling and enrollment for the fall semester.

A copy of the students course planner will be mailed out to the parents/guardians for you to sign/approve. If you do not submit a signed copy of the student’s course planner back to the school, it will be assumed that you agree with the schedule as it is.



Group College Visits to ESU, KSU, KU, and Baker University

We are pleased to offer opportunities for 9th-12th grade students to visit college campuses during the month of April. MVHS will be providing transportation to and from these institutions. The students have already signed up to insure their seat to visit any of the four colleges.

THE STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THEIR FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM, AND GET IT SIGNED BY THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS

IN ORDER TO ATTEND THESE VISITS.

The students have been provided a copy of the permission slips already.

Mr. Hancock's Website

Please visit the counselor's website found here: <https://www.mv330.org/page/mv-counselor>

Here you will find web pages for the students, **parents/guardians**, and anyone else within the district to view in regards **academic, scholarship, 'post-secondary career information' and 'collegiate information.'** Within these pages are a compilation of information that is often scattered around the internet and brought to your fingertips.

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Welcome to the Hard Copy/Online Resource Library for Parents

Here you will find many links to the different types of brochures, books, and information that is found in the school counselor's library. Some of these items can be accessed, in full, through this page, but some are available for check out at your leisure by contacting Mr. Hancock at jhancock@mv330.org or calling him at 866-557-6686 ext. 230. The books will be checked out via our library system here at the school. You can arrange to come pick up the item or have the item go home with your child from school. Each book has a 30 day check out time.

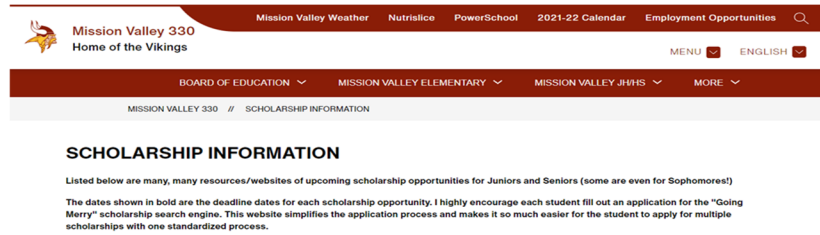
GO HERE TO SEE THE BOOKS/BROCHURES AVAILABLE: <https://www.mv330.org/page/online-resource-library-for-parents>



Scholarship(s) Are Still A Focus!!!

Time is passing quicker and quicker it seems, and soon our seniors will be graduating. Because of this, securing the seniors financial requirements for post-secondary education is vital. If your child is thinking about or will be attending a post-secondary educational institution, it is time to focus on scholarships, financial aid information, and the steps the students should already be taking to ensure that their college experience does not include high levels of indebtedness.

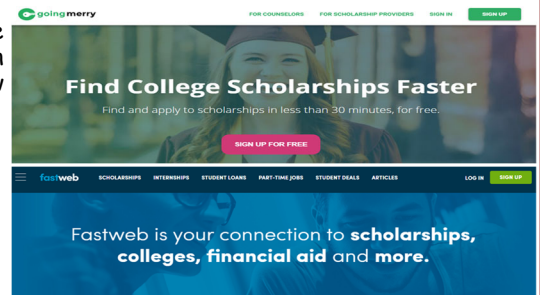
Scholarship help can be found in the Mission Valley scholarship listing by going to this website:



<https://www.mv330.org/page/scholarship-information>

Just a reminder, all of the freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors have received emails from me regarding multiple scholarship opportunities (local, state, and federal level). Two major scholarship websites are shown below, and I have information on both if requested.

1. They have all received an invite to www.goingmerry.com. This is a free website, and is a 'one-stop-shop' that allows students to do one application for many different scholarships, and it will continually provide new scholarships that Mission Valley students qualify for.
2. Fastweb (www.fastweb.com) is a free website that focuses on scholarships, college searches, FAFSA/Financial Aid, and job searching.



Other websites for scholarship/financial resources:

- Mycollegemoneyplan.org
- Cashcourse.org
- Collegescorecard.ed.gov
- Net Price Calculators
- KSdegreestats.org
- Studentaid.ed.gov
- Financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov

Kansas Post-Secondary Exploration Guide

resources to help Kansas high school graduates make post-secondary decisions
a collaborative tool from [Kansas Board of Regents](#) and [Kansas State Department of Education](#)

Content Quick Reference:

- General Information
- Information for Kansas Public Universities
- Information for Kansas Public Community and Technical Colleges
- Information for Kansas Independent Colleges
- Exploratory Resources to Consider Post-Secondary Options
- Transfer Credit & Credit for Prior Learning Resources
- Financial Aid & Scholarships Resources

General Kansas Information:

- [Qualified Admissions](#)
- [Kansas Scholars Curriculum](#)
- [Public Institutions – comprehensive list](#)
- [Financial Aid Offices – comprehensive list](#)
- [Independent Colleges – comprehensive list](#)

<https://www.mv330.org/page/collegiate-information>



Career Readiness

Throughout this page, you will find many different links to information for not just the Mission Valley student, but links that the community, parents/guardians can use as well. This page's purpose is to bring all the career readiness information directly to your fingertips.

Career Research & Readiness

Kansas Workforce Center Information

**Career Websites: local, county, state,
& federal**

Career Search Engines

!!! IMPORTANT - FAFSA INFORMATION !!!

Encourage your SENIORS to complete their FAFSA application! We have partnered with GoingMerry to make this process easier. Please have your SENIOR go to their GoingMerry account to complete the FAFSA...OR... you can go to www.fafsa.gov to begin this process. Parents, you will need to complete a portion of the FAFSA as well as your student. ***IT IS FAR BETTER TO HAVE IT DONE AND NOT NEED IT, THAN NEED IT AND NOT HAVE IT!***

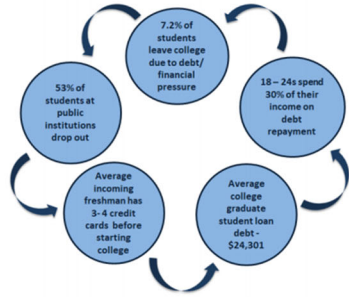
As always, my contact information is: Mr. Jamey Hancock @ 866-557-6686 x230 or e-mail jhancock@mv330.org with questions.

The Mission Valley High School Lady Vikings made their first trip to state since 1981. They started sub-state with a 63-14 win over Kansas City Christian. Following that game, Mission Valley matched up with Central Heights in the semifinals. After a rough first half, they pulled away to win 44-28 to set up a championship game with Northern Heights. Earlier in the season, Mission Valley had lost to Northern Heights by 24 points. That night, however, the Lady Vikes would not be denied and avenged that loss with a 41-35 win to clinch a trip to state. They finished the season with a record of 14-9, including finishing 3rd in the league regular season and 3rd at the league tournament. Thanks to all the students and patrons who came out and supported them this year. It was truly a memorable season!



Paige Martin was unanimous first team all league and Jaycie was second team all league.

Financial Literacy



Foster Care Fee Waiver

- Students apply through the KS Department of Children & Families
- Eligible applicant enrolls in a Kansas educational institution on or after July 1, 2006; and
 - The applicant was in custody of DCF and in a foster care placement on the date such applicant reached 18 years of age; or
 - prior to age 18 graduated from high school or fulfilled the requirements for a GED while in foster care placement and custody of DCF; or
 - adopted from a foster care placement on or after applicant's 16th birthday; or
 - left a foster care placement subject to a guardianship under chapter 38 or 59 of the K.S.A. on or after applicant's 16th birthday.

The Kansas Department of Children & Families Central Office must verify the applicant's eligibility status prior to enrollment.

State Programs Fee Waivers

- In-state tuition for certain undocumented students
- Dependents & Spouses of Deceased Public Safety Officers
- Dependents & Spouses of Deceased Military Personnel
- Former Prisoners of War

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State Programs Nursing & Teacher Service Scholarships

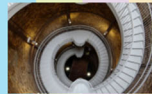
- Public & private 4-yr institutions & community colleges
- FAFSA by April 1 and state application by May 1
- Merit (Need considered if more applicants than funding)
- Renewable
- Service Obligation – 1 yr of service for 1 yr of scholarship
- Nursing Service Scholarship- \$4,500 RN/\$3,500 LPN
 - Full-time, must acquire a sponsor
- Teacher Service Scholarship- \$5,536 (2018-2019) *can be prorated
 - Enrolled full time or part-time in program leading to licensure in a hard to fill discipline (Special Education, Math, Science, elementary education, English, Fine & Performing Arts)
 - Teach in underserved geographic area

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State Programs Kansas Career Technical Workforce Grant

- Available to technical schools & colleges, community colleges and state universities w/technical programs
- FAFSA by April 1 and state application by May 1
- Awarded to students enrolled in high demand/critical industry programs of study. Priority to given to those with financial need
- \$1,000 *can be prorated
- Available to part-time and full-time students

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State Programs Kansas Career Work-Study

- Available at 4-yr public institutions
- Recipients selected at institution & separate application required
- FAFSA required
- Need-based
- Full-time or part-time
- Students work in career-related occupations off-campus

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MY CHILD IS NOT GOING TO COLLEGE OR VO-TECH... THEN WHAT?

I would like for all parents/guardians, family members, and friends to assist the counseling department and our high school advisers by reinforcing these concepts whenever you get the opportunity. Also, for the parents/guardians, if you could please help your student with college/career readiness, here is a wonderful opportunity for you to do so. Please go to <https://hirepaths.com/>. The truth is this, you ARE YOUR CHILD'S FIRST CAREER COUNSELOR.

Click here to learn more about how parents/guardians can assist your student in college/career readiness:

<https://hirepaths.com/blog/2021/07/19/how-the-kansas-career-sunflower-works-a-parents-perspective>



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Juniors have the free ACT in the spring semester held at MVHS. This assessment will be a written exam. There are practice ACT tests available in the counselor's office or in Mrs. Lowe's office for all of those who would like to 'hone' their skills prior to the test date.

Go here to view all timeframe deadlines -- <http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act.html> - go to www.actstudent.org to register---limited number of fee waivers available for eligible students (contact myself)

To register go to SAT registration website: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register>

TIDBITS OF KNOWLEDGE TO TAKE IN AND UNDERSTAND IN REGARDS TO THE ACT/SAT NEED:

SENIORS---take the ACT or SAT on one of these dates if:

- you're planning to enroll in college and have not yet taken one of these tests
- taking the test helps with placement AND financial aid scholarships based upon merit

JUNIORS

- You may want to consider testing **BY APRIL** if you are attempting to complete the **Qualified Admissions** curriculum as you must have a 21 OR higher on the Math portion of the ACT by the end of junior year OR you will need to take another year of math your senior year to be consider for Qualified Admissions.

Mr. Hancock's Website

Please visit the counselor's website found here: <https://www.mv330.org/page/mv-counselor>

Here you will find web pages for the students, **parents/guardians**, and anyone else within the district to view in regards **academic, scholarship, post-secondary career information' and 'collegiate information.'** Within these pages are a compilation of information that is often scattered around the internet and brought to your fingertips.



Kansas Post-Secondary Exploration Guide

resources to help Kansas high school graduates make post-secondary decisions
a collaborative tool from *Kansas Board of Regents* and *Kansas State Department of Education*



Content Quick Reference:

- General Information
- Information for Kansas Public Universities
- Information for Kansas Public Community and Technical Colleges
- Information for Kansas Independent Colleges
- Exploratory Resources to Consider Post-Secondary Options
- Transfer Credit & Credit for Prior Learning Resources
- Financial Aid & Scholarships Resources

General Kansas Information:

- [Qualified Admissions](#)
- [Kansas Scholars Curriculum](#)
- [Public Institutions – comprehensive list](#)
- [Financial Aid Offices – comprehensive list](#)
- [Independent Colleges – comprehensive list](#)



Career Readiness

Throughout this page, you will find many different links to information for not just the Mission Valley student, but links that the community, parents/guardians can use as well. This page's purpose is to bring all the career readiness information directly to your fingertips.



<https://www.mv330.org/page/collegiate-information>

<https://www.mv330.org/page/career-readiness>

MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE VISITS:



Kansas Air National Guard recruiter will be on campus on 3/3/2022 during the 2nd & 3rd lunch in the HS commons



FCCLA Update: By Lucy Bryan

The Mission Valley FCCLA chapter is preparing to go to the State Leadership Conference in Wichita, KS. They are presenting four STAR Events in hopes of qualifying for National Leadership Conference in San Diego. We will also be taking three Leadership Educational Opportunity projects. One upcoming event is their March community service project, which will be writing letters to the VA. Good luck at state to Clara, Lucy, Emma, Kailey & Ava!



Working Together with Monster Results

Mission Valley Fashion & Interior Design Students have been working on a hand-sewing, machine-sewing, and pattern-drafting unit. They recently teamed up with Mrs. Meek's preschool students for inspiration and then got to work. The preschoolers provided the monster drawings and the high school students created the patterns, cut everything out, stitched the pieces together and then delivered the monsters to the students. Fashion & Interior Design is a one-semester course offered to high school students in the Family & Consumer Sciences department. Check out all of their awesome designs!



The Junior High Quiz Bowl teams have had a successful year. The A-Team finished the season with a record of 20-15. The B team finished 26-9.

Several eighth graders will continue to Scholar's Bowl with Senora Goldsmith next year. B team will become A team next year.

I am very proud of how the students worked to prepare for the meets and their performance at the five season meets.

Front Row: Hayden Frederick, Carson Durkes, Paige Kibbee, Kailynn Jacobson, Grace Johnston, Taryn Clark, Gracie Long, Alaster Compton

Back Row: Abby Packard, Wyatt Whitten, Jace Taylor, Sam Bryan, Parker Durkin, Hunter Pipe, Westyn Zirkle.



Mission Valley Jr/Sr High School Has Two Compete at the 2A State Powerlifting Meet at Conway Springs

On Saturday, March 26th 2022, Mission Valley Jr/Sr High School had two young ladies travel to Conway Springs High School to compete in the 2A State Powerlifting Meet. Junior, Emma Slade, competed in the women's PWR Weight division and Senior, Carley Wagner, competed in the 114 pound weight division. There were a total of 312 lifters between the men's and women's weight divisions at the powerlifting meet and a total of 17 different schools that competed.

Carley Wagner had an impressive day of competition earning 4 medals. She brought home 3rd place in the squat with a lift of 185 lbs and 3rd place in the power clean with a lift of 130 lbs. Then Carley had an aggressive bench press of 110 lbs earning herself a 2nd place medal! This gave her a total weight lifted of 420lbs, earning her another bronze medal.

Emma Slade did two big things at this state meet, she earned a new personal best squatting 275 lbs and earning a 2nd place medal! Then she dominated the bench press in her weight division with a lift of 165 lbs earning her a 1st place gold medal and earning the respect of breaking the 2A State Powerlifting record in the bench press of the women's PWR weight division! This is quite the big deal at these meets as it is an honor to be recognized for such an accomplishment. Emma finished off power cleans with a lift of 135 lbs earning her 6th place out of the eleven ladies competing in that weight class. Between the three lifts, Emma lifted a total weight of 575 lbs, earning her a 3rd place medal for overall weight lifted.

It was such a fun experience getting the powerlifting program back in action at Mission Valley Jr/Sr High School. Now that kids understand how powerlifting meets work and how much success they can find in it, we hope more kids commit to the program next winter. Mission Valley hopes to host a powerlifting meet in the near future as it can be a way to get more area kids to want to compete in powerlifting. It can also be a great fundraising opportunity for improving the school's weight room equipment. Thank you to all of the parents and spectators who supported our Mission Valley Vikings powerlifting club!

Kevin Vanderbilt





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5-8 PM

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Have you felt like your toddler's behavior is getting out of control?

Does your child get frustrated when you can't understand him?

Infant Toddler Services, also known as Tiny-K, provides services to Infants and Toddlers with developmental delays and their families. Your local program employs early interventionists with backgrounds in Early Childhood Special Education, Speech/Language Pathology, and Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy. We are available to answer questions about your child's development, conduct developmental evaluations, and if a developmental delay exists, provide ongoing support and assistance. All services through this program are provided at no cost to families.

The first three years of life are so important to your child's later development. Early experiences matter! Please contact us with your questions... POTTAWATOMIE/WABAUNSEE INFANT-TODDLER SERVICES (785) 456-7366 ITS@usd320.com

Dillon's Community Rewards



Do you shop at Dillon's? If so, you can help our school each time you buy groceries! Mission Valley PTO has teamed up with the Dillon's Community Rewards program, which will donate a portion of your sale purchases to our PTO. After doing a one-time enrollment, each time you shop for groceries and swipe your Dillon's Plus card, Mission Valley PTO will automatically start earning a rebate. This DOES NOT take away or affect any fuel points you earn.

It only takes a few minutes to sign up:

1. Go to www.dillons.com.
2. Under the "Save" tab, go to "Community Rewards Program."
3. Click on "I'm a Customer."
4. Login or set up an account in order to link your Dillon's Plus card.
5. Search for Mission Valley PTO or our code, FL702, and click "Enroll."

Please pass the word to your family and friends of this easy way to help our school! If you have questions or difficulty, please email: mvpto@mv330.org. Thanks for supporting Mission Valley PTO!



ATTENTION ALL PARENTS & COMMUNITY MEMBERS!!!

Mission Valley PTO collects Box Tops to raise money for our school. The money we earn from the Box Tops that you help us with, makes a BIG difference!! There is an app that you can download & then scan your receipt. The app is Box Tops for Education & is very easy to use!! Once you download the app, you will have to sign up for FREE & then you can start scanning your receipts. We hope you will continue to help us by scanning your receipts when you make a purchase with an item that qualifies for Box Tops.

We appreciate your support to the Mission Valley K-12 PTO!!

April 2022

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

4th*

HS JV BB Vs.
Wabaunsee @
Eskridge 3:30 p

HS JV SB Vs.
Wabaunsee @
H'Ville 4:30 pm

8th*

Community
School & FFA
Cleanup @
Eskridge, Dover
& Harveyville
8:30-11:30 am

11th*

HS BB Vs.
Osage @
Eskridge 3:30 p

HS SB Vs.
Osage @ H'Ville
4:30 pm

15th*

HS JV BB Vs.
Council Grove @
Eskridge 3:30 p

HS JV SB Vs.
Council Grove @
H'Ville 4:30 pm

20th*

FFA ECD
Livestock
Judging,
Nursery &
Landscape, Food
Science @ Alma
9 am

1

2

Band KSHSAA
Regional Solo &
Small Ensemble
Festival
FFA Highway
Cleanup @
Dover 9-11

3

MV Trap Team
Practice @ MV
1-4 pm

4*

HS Art
FHL Contest @
MV 1 p

5th Grade-
Starbase 8:15 a

5

HS Track &
Field @ Osage
3:30 pm
HS BB/SB @
Alma 4:30 pm

6

FFA Regional
Envirothon @
Council Grove 9
FFA ECD
District Banquet
@ Eudora 5-8 p
PTO @ MV 6-7

7

JH Track &
Field @ Council
Grove 1 pm

HS BB/SB @
Osage 4:30 pm

8*

FFA Miami
County Aggie
Days

MV Spring
Carnival @ MV
5-8 pm

9

KSHSAA
Regional Solo &
Small Ensemble
@ Hillsboro

FCCLA State Leadership/Star Event @ Wichita

10

MV Trap Team
Practice @ MV
1-4 pm

11*

2nd Grade Field
Trip @ Emporia

BOE Mtg. @ MV
7 pm
Site Council @
MV 6-7

12

HS Track &
Field @ Perry
Lecompton 4 pm

HS JV SB @
Burlingame
4:30 pm

13

KSHSAA State Band Festival-TBA

14*

JH Track
@ St. Marys 2 pm
HS Track @ Rock
Creek 3 pm
HS SB Vs. Council
Grove @ H'Ville
4:30 pm

15*

**NO School—
Good Friday**

Cheer/Dance
Tryouts @ MV
9 am-2 pm

16

14th*

HS BB Vs.
Council Grove @
Emporia 4:30

17

MV Trap Team
Practice @ MV
1-4 pm



18

FFA Chapter
Banquet @ MV
6:30-8:30 pm

5th Grade-
Starbase 8:15 a

19

HS BB @
Central Heights
4:30 pm

HS SB @
Richmond 4:30 pm

20*

PK, K, 1st &
2nd Spring
Concert 6-6:45 p
3rd, 4th, 5th, &
6th Spring
Concert
7:15-8:15 pm

21

Elementary
"Day @ the K"

HS SB @
Burlingame
4:30 pm

22

JH Track @
Osage 10 am
HS Track @
Rossville 2 pm
FFA CDE @
Tonganoxie

23

MV Prom @
"The Beacon"
Topeka

24

MV Trap Team
Practice @ MV
1-4 pm

25

JH Track @
Holton 2 pm

26

HS Track @
Silver Lake 3 p

HS BB/SB @
St. Marys
4:30 pm

27

2nd Grade Wax
Museum @ MV
FFA State
Envirothon
7-12 Spring
Concert 7 pm

28

JH Track @
Burlingame 11 am
HS BB/SB Vs.
Lyndon—Eskridge
3:30 pm
H'Ville 4:30 pm
5th Grade
Sarbase 8:15 am

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HS JV BB Vs.
Topeka HSJV @
Eskridge 3:30 pm
FFA Plant Sale @
MV 3-6 pm
Community Clean
Up Back up Date

30

FFA
Horticulture
Plant Sale @
MV 8 am-Noon

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