

BRIDGES

At Mount Morris Central School District we are building the future, laying the foundation of lifelong learning, opening minds to explore, to create, and to achieve excellence.

2021 Wallethub Best High Schools in NYS: Ranked #1 in Livingston County

2020 National Support Music Merit Award

2019 National PTA School of Excellence

2018 Fastest Growing Districts: New York States

2017 U.S. News & World Report Best High Schools

2016 TOP 10 WNY SAT Math Performance



The Kiwanis Club of Mount Morris donated flower growing kits that consisted of seeds, starter kits and the needed soil. The school's Environmental Club and Key Club teamed up to plant the seeds! Some of our elementary classes are caring for the plants in their classrooms and once the flowers are big enough, they will be transplanted to the front of the school and in the courtyard.



Mount Morris Central School District

30 Bonadonna Avenue ♦ Mount Morris, NY 14510

From Greg Bump, District Superintendent



The Mount Morris Central School District was one of three schools from the GV BOCES Region to participate in the Rochester Broadway Theatre League's "Stars of Tomorrow" program. Our students performed on the stage with students from over twenty districts from the Finger Lakes Region at the Rochester Auditorium Theatre on May 5th.

Our students performed "Clean Out the Freezer" from their production of *Nunsense* and several were recognized for their performance and contributions in their school musical.

Rylee Lippens was recognized as a "Future Star" for her outstanding individual performance in *Nunsense*. Alexis Roberts and Val Kingsley received a "Special Recognition" for going above and beyond in the production of their show. Emelia Clester, Quinn Simons and Julia Willey were recognized with "A Round of Applause" in recognition of their outstanding special involvement in their school production.

The Stars of Tomorrow program is a part of the National High School Theatre Awards where adjudicators watch select high school musical performances to provide feedback and to recognize future stars of the stage. I am very proud of our cast and crew.



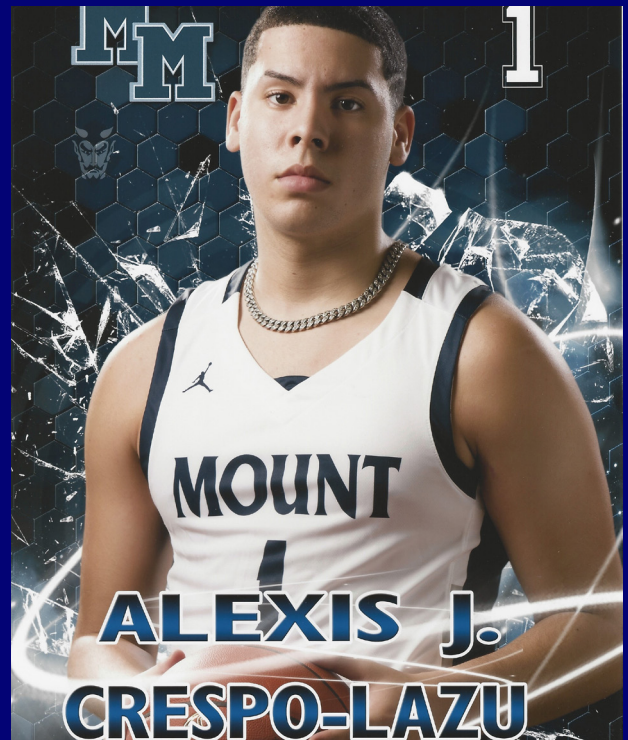
Bright Futures Ahead!



Twins and members of the Mount Morris Central School District Class of 2022, Sierra and Stephen Somers, signed with the Finger Lakes Community College (FLCC) Basketball program! Both seniors have been playing basketball since they were in the second grade! Among many other accomplishments, both made the LCAA Exceptional Senior Team. Sierra said what she will miss most about MMCSD is seeing her friends and all the sports she has participated in (Soccer, Basketball & Track). Stephen said his most memorable moments from high school are going to sectional games. Sierra and Stephen will attend FLCC beginning in the fall where Sierra will major in Nursing and Stephen will major in Sports Science. Congratulations on all of your successes, Sierra and Stephen! Your MMCSD family wishes you the best of luck!

ALEXIS CRESPO-LAZU FUNDRAISING EVENT

Join us on June 3rd at 7:00pm for a fundraiser which will benefit the family of Alexis Crespo-Lazu. This event will take place in the High School gymnasium. Alexis, who is a member of the Senior Class, was recently in a very serious accident. During the game, The Class of 2022 will take on the Mount Morris Central School Faculty. All proceeds will go to the family of Alexis Crespo-Lazu. There will be a \$5.00 entry fee (additional donations at the door are welcome). There will be concessions and other activities, such as half court and three-point shooting contests for you to enjoy. Please come out and show your support! If you are unable to attend, donations can be accepted by Mr. Swede (wswede@mt-morriscsd.org) or Principal Hamilton (jhamilton@mtmorriscsd.org).



Congratulations to our 2022 Livingston County Teen Recognition Award Winners!!



Logan Brooks is a senior at MMCS D. He is a respectful, intelligent, responsible student and accomplished athlete. As a two-year captain on the boys' varsity soccer team, he leads with poise and hard work both on and off the field. As a captain, Logan led with kindness and compassion. Logan not only made his team better with his ability and athleticism but with his sportsmanship and determination as well. He has worked very hard during his high school years and now easily manages his workload, is kind to his peers, and excels in sports. Logan has become an extremely well-rounded person and a positive role model for other students. He makes us proud of the young man he has become!

-Mrs. Zawacki



Shayla Brown truly abides by her school motto "Dare to be excellent." She loves to take on new challenges and takes pride in her work. Shayla participates in several extracurricular activities (Soccer, Basketball, Cheer, Spanish Club, and Student Council, to name a few!) all while taking on a rigorous course schedule. Student Council gives Shayla the opportunity to exercise her leadership skills and share her creative input. She also regularly attends school events and basketball games to support her classmates. She advocates for herself and asks for extra help when needed. She is helpful to her classmates and acts as a great role model to her peers. Shayla truly knows how to make people around her (students and teachers alike) feel cared for, and loves to ask how your day is going. As a tenth grader, she already has her eyes on the horizon and has been researching and scheduling tours at universities. She has participated in the Lunch and Learn seminars to learn more about career opportunities. She is an avid reader and loves to tell stories about her Husky named Cora. Shayla is passionate about becoming a veterinarian one day; with her hard-working spirit, she could become anything she puts her mind to!

-Ms. Mocciano



Valeri Garcia has moved several times over the years and lived in several different states. Starting over in a new town with new teachers and new classmates is never easy, however, Valeri has handled this challenge with grace and confidence. She has committed herself to becoming involved in her new community of Mount Morris and has not once been stopped by uncertainty or fear of the unknown. During her first year at Mount Morris, Valeri became a valuable part of the Basketball Team, Newspaper Club, and Drama Club. She goes out of her way to continually seek out new opportunities and challenges, and has earned herself a spot at the HOBY leadership conference this spring as well. Her courage and commitment to being more than just a bystander are commendable. She is dedicated to making an impact on her community no matter where she finds herself. Mount Morris is lucky to have her as a member of the school and community.

-Ms. Sullivan

2022 Livingston County Teen Recognition Award Winners Continued



Tyler Guzzardi is an outstanding student-athlete leader at Mount Morris Central School. He is a high honor roll student, and a huge asset to the school as a positive role model. He always has a positive attitude and willingly supports fellow classmates and younger students. Tyler is a strong athlete, active in soccer, hockey and racing. Last year, Tyler helped rebuild a tractor from the 1950's through the Technology Club! He also has been an excellent asset to the ceramics studio with his willingness to always pitch in and help in any way asked. He recently used his mechanical abilities to fix the slab roller and re-align the pulley cable for the kiln hood.
-Principal Hamilton



Matthew Hartigan is a very active student and a three-sport athlete. He has participated in the Odyssey of the Mind program and enrolled in two Syracuse University classes. This year, Matthew accomplished all of this while holding down an afterschool job. This balancing act is impressive alone, however, it is the leadership abilities he has demonstrated throughout his school career that deserves special recognition. He was selected to represent our school district at the state level through his participation in the New York State YMCA Leadership Program in Albany. Earlier this year, he was selected to represent our district at the national level as part of the Washington D.C. Close Up Program at the U.S. Capitol Building. Matthew is someone who students look up to and teachers can count on.
-Superintendent Bump



Anna Johnson is a leader in the classroom as well as on the Soccer and Track teams. Anna works hard and leads by example. In the classroom, she is an excellent example for her peers; she is hard-working, dedicated and determined to do the best she can. You never have to remind Anna what she should be doing as she is always on task and striving to make herself and the people around her better! While coaching Anna, you see all of the same qualities. She refuses to take one play off or give up and quit for one second. When Anna is competing, she gives 100% at all times no matter what the situation is. Anna is an amazing leader, student-athlete, and person. You will always see Anna smiling and trying to help out whenever she can!
-Mr. James



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Yujin Lin is a leader amongst her peers. She is very intelligent, hardworking, and determined to succeed, which tends to influence those around her. When she started at Mount Morris as a young kindergartener, she didn't know any English. Obviously, entering an unfamiliar place as a young child is nerve-wracking, but that is exacerbated even further when you cannot communicate with the people around you. Yujin shared how she didn't know what to do but just followed along with what she saw others doing. She learned English very quickly and since then has come such a very long way. She excels both in and out of the classroom. Yujin works in her family's restaurant, takes a rigorous course load in school, participates in multiple sports, and is a good friend and role model to others. In her senior year now, Yujin is set to graduate with multiple college credits. She took advantage of the SUPA partnership classes at Mount Morris and sought out further opportunities by taking college classes over the past summer. We are very proud of Yujin's accomplishments and know she will be a positive role model wherever she goes.

-Mrs. Zabiegalski



Chloe Mike has worked hard to learn how to advocate for herself, realizing what she needs in order to learn and be successful in the classroom. It has been inspiring to watch her grow in her self-realization and reflection skills all while maintaining a positive attitude. This year, she wanted to challenge herself and increase her responsibilities within the Drama Club so she accepted the role of stage manager for the fall play. She managed, supervised, created props, organized play materials, worked with her peers in stage direction, created costumes, and assisted with hair and makeup. She led her crew to the successful completion of the production and we couldn't have been prouder of her for it. Her work ethic, loyalty, and drive to succeed no matter what life throws her way will serve her well in her bright, bright future.

-Mrs. Coniglio



Emily Mike is an extremely involved, diligent, and caring young woman. At school, she is actively involved in Drama Club and the Spring Musical, Master Minds quiz bowl, and Chess Club. She works hard on her studies to make sure she can pursue college in the future. You can always find her in a teacher's room getting extra help, working on extra credit, or chatting. Emily works part-time at Wegmans in Geneseo and absolutely loves her job. She takes pride in being a friendly and professional individual who makes necessary connections in the working world. Emily traveled to Washington, D.C. in 2018 for the Scripps National Spelling Bee where she won the classroom and regional rounds, which meant she was able to spell against so many more students and travel to do it! She spelled both of her words on stage correctly: bloodcurdling and cuisiner. Emily Mike is truly the epitome of hard work and involvement in her school, community, and with others. We are very proud of the young woman she is becoming!

-Mrs. Kobel

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Gadge Savastano is incredibly bright, always takes the initiative to help others, and is a great role model. He has been Class President for the past two years and was selected as one of the two HOBY representatives for his class this year. Gadge is extremely kind, respectful, and always willing to learn. He is involved in several extracurricular activities including President of the Chess Club and plays guitar in band. Gadge plans on being a first-generation college student and making big changes in the world.

-Mrs. Stowell



Jesse Yorks is a quiet leader. You won't see his name on the Student Council list, however, his influence on others is just as great. He is one who sets an example through his actions. He is kind and generous and his demeanor serves as a positive influence on others. Jesse is the type of person who makes parents worry less if their child is with him because his judgement, in any circumstance, is one that can be trusted. He is a friend to everyone and respected by students and staff alike. Jesse has grown up on a family farm and it is that ethos that has shaped his work ethic, character, and dependability.

-Superintendent Bump

This special recognition award process is coordinated by the Livingston County Youth Bureau and recognizes youth for having a positive influence on their community through their service, participation, volunteering, and good deeds!!!

**Need help planning for after graduation?
Visit Ms. Atwell's Counseling Corner!**

<https://sites.google.com/mtmorriscsd.org/counselingcorner>

The MM Booster Club is looking for parent/community volunteers and new members! The club was able to purchase long sleeve warm-up shirts for all fall athletes and coaches in the 2021-2022 school year! Follow MM Sports Boosters on Facebook at: <https://bit.ly/3zVCgmr> and send them a message if you are interested in learning more information!





We are proud to announce the induction of nine new members into the National Honor Society (NHS) for the 2021-22 school year. Congratulations to all of our NHS members on receiving and continuing to receive this prestigious recognition! Selection for NHS is based on scholarship (academic achievement), leadership, service, and character. Pictured from top to bottom, left to right: Gadge Savastano, Quinn Simons, Maria Caceres Pou, Yujin Lin, Jadyer Torres Ocasio, Melania VanAernam, Ethan Provino, Shayla Brown, Chloe Mike, Anna Lin, Emily Mike, Adam Johnson, Nicole Martell-Dale, Lily Morris, Emelia Clester, Anna Johnson, Jye Crocker, Leah Gehrig, Tyler Guzzardi and Jamie Hale.



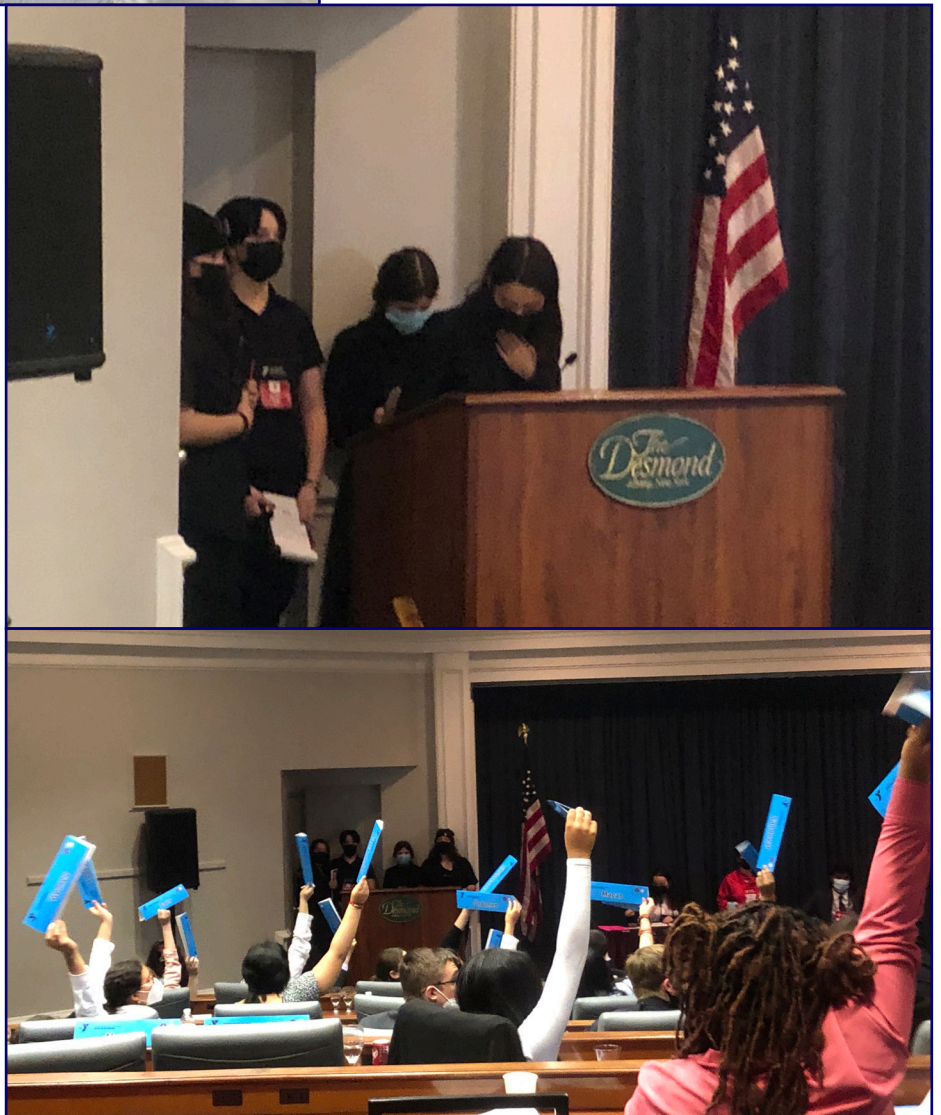
CLASS OF 2022

YMCA Youth Leadership Conference



MMCS D eighth grade students Ollie Browne, Sandra French, Alex Grover and Jayla Mowday attended the YMCA Youth Leadership Conference in Albany. The students developed an idea, researched and wrote their own bill to present at the conference. The bill they wrote is to Have Financial Aid Provide Service Animals for People in Need.

Students must write and present the purpose of the bill, a detailed summary of provisions, justification and financial implications. While in Albany, different groups break into committees to rehearse the bill and learn debating skills. Junior high students from around the state interact with each other and the groups work together to problem solve issues. Students are given the opportunity to tour the capital building where they also debate all bills. All groups present their own bills which are voted on by their peers.



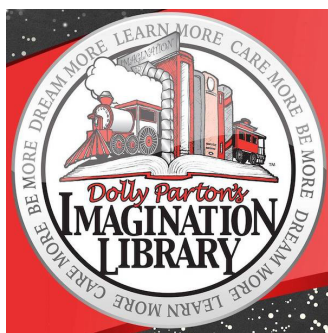


Our Elementary students had a blast during our special Makers Fair Event!! Some of the events and challenges pictured are Cubetto Robots, Keva Planks, Dash Robots, Rigamajig, Cardboard Construction, Sphero Robots, Lego-Story Starters, how to catch a bunny, Marshmallow Structures, Sink or Float, Zipline and Paper Airplanes.



Congratulations to Ethan Provino (11th grade) on winning the class D Sectional Championship in Golf and winning the Section V Class D Sectional Championship! Ethan advanced to Super Sectionals and is the first ever Mount Morris CSD student to advance thus far!





ATTENTION:

Mount Morris Central School District Residents with a child under the age of 5!!

Our PTSA's partnership with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program benefits our community by allowing all Mount Morris Central School District residents to register their child/children under the age of five (5) to receive a FREE book in the mail EVERY month!

To enroll your child in the Imagination Library, please send an email to freebooks@mtmorriscsd.org with the information listed below, complete an enrollment form which is available in our visitor entrance, or call Sarah Williams at

585-658-5036. The information required to register for this program is as follows: Parent Name(s), Child's Name, Child's Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year), Child's Gender, Mailing Address, Phone Number, Parent's Email Address (Optional).

We hope to hear from you soon!

According to the National Commission on Reading, the single most significant factor influencing a child's early educational success is an introduction to books and being read to at home prior to beginning school.

If you know a Mount Morris Central School District resident with a child under the age of 5, please share this information with them. Please note that not all Mount Morris residents are in the Mount Morris Central School District.



THE MISSION OF THE MOUNT MORRIS PARENT TEACHER STUDENT ASSOCIATION (MMPTSA) IS THREE-FOLD:

- To support and speak on behalf of children and youth in the schools, in the community, and before governmental bodies and other organizations that make decisions affecting children;
- To assist parents in developing the skills they need to raise and protect their children;
- To encourage parent and public involvement in the public schools of this nation.

The MMPTSA is affiliated with both the New York State and National PTAs.

Come help us make a difference!

Have a question? Want to get involved?

E-mail: mountmorrispts@gmail.com

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