



MCC SCHOOLS

August/September 2019 Newsletter

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July 21 Board Brief

- Meeting called to order at 7:31 pm.
- Board approved agenda.
- Board approved June minutes.
- Treasury report was read.
- Supt. Lund reported on sports coop costs, grant opportunities, new web-site, open positions, building projects, & policy committee.
- Principal Longerbone reported on upcoming workshops & coaches meetings.
- Dean of Students Nelson reported on technology updates.
- Administration committee reported on meeting about current admin structure and goals for upcoming year.
- Buildings & Grounds reported on building tours and maintenance needs.
- Board approved consent agenda containing organizational items setting rates and fees for 2019-2020 school year. Fee adjustments were made to district mileage/chargeback rates, lunch rates, and activities rates. Supplemental pay rates were updated for substitute teachers, community education, and scoreboard/athletics bookkeepers. District memberships in organizations were renewed.

Action Items:

- Board passed resolution of commendation for Zach Undeberg, baseball all-conference and Beau Walz, baseball all-conference honorable mention.
 - Board approved resignation of Ashley Tanton, NE paraprofessional.
 - Board approved resignation of Jason Peterson, HS Custodian.
 - Board approved hire of Amie Buck, preschool/ECFE instructor.
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Getting Ready for the new school year!

The calendar has now turned to August! We are now under a month left until the first day of school. School starts on September 3! The summer staff in the district office and the custodial crew have really been working hard to get everything ready for the 2019-2020 school year. Looking around the school some improvements made over the summer include many new items: desks and tables in five high school classrooms, cabinets in Newfolden Elementary classrooms, a drinking fountain with bottle filler in Viking Elementary, Chromebooks for junior high and Newfolden Elementary, secure entrances at all three schools, updated web site and app, a floor scrubber for our high school, a 2019 bus and 2019 sub-urban for hauling students, and updated flooring in Viking bathrooms and high school showers.

We are planning for more students again this year. Enrollment is always a moving target but it looks like we will be up more students as incoming kindergarten group is larger than graduating senior class. We also have been attracting students from other districts.

August is a very busy month. The all sports meeting is scheduled for August 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Tri-County. Football and volleyball practice start on August 12. Teachers will be back to get their rooms ready. Elementary offices will open August 19 to prepare informational mailings and get ready for the year. Meet the Freeze athletes night is August 19 at 7:00 p.m. at MCC. The last week of August, we will host a series of Back to School Nights. Please come to these sessions to learn the important news our teachers have prepared. Grade 9-12 parents, we will have Chromebook information and distribution during the high school back to school night.

August is very exciting as everyone prepares for school and spends the remaining days enjoying the summer break. If you are new to the district or have any questions about the school year, please contact the district office for assistance.

Jeffrey Lund

Superintendent/Elementary Principal

Strategic Planning Survey Summary

We want to thank parents and students for participating in our spring Strategic Planning Survey. 80% of our students in grades 5-6 completed surveys. 65% of our families returned surveys. This information is very helpful and helps guide the school board and our committees as we look forward and make plans for change and growth. The information is having an immediate effect. We are studying space needs based on feedback. We revamped web site and added an app based on feedback and are adding safety/security measures at all buildings. To view the parent survey summary go to: <http://bit.ly/2KjuOc9>. To view the student survey summary go to: <http://bit.ly/2ZsTnKa>.

FALL SPORTS MEETING

A mandatory meeting for Fall High School Sports will be held on Tuesday, August 6 at 7:00 p.m. at Tri-County. Athletic Directors and coaches will share important information. Fee payments and forms will be collected. Forms can be found on the school district web site. Click on Schools and select High school. Select Forms. Select Documents. Forms you need are Medical Treatment Form, MSHSL Eligibility Form, and Physical Exam Form.

BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION

New Students:

We gladly welcome you to the community and to MCC Schools. We ask that you contact us at 218-874-7225 or stop in the district office. It is best to enroll in early August so you can get put on our mailing lists although you can enroll at any time. After August 19, you can visit any school office.

Back to School Nights

All three schools will host back to school open houses. Families are welcome and encouraged to tour their child's classrooms, meet the teachers, put money in lunch accounts, and bring in school supplies.

Viking Elementary Aug. 27, 5-7 pm
Kindergarten Parent Meeting: 6:00 pm

Newfolden Elem. Aug 28, 5 - 7 p.m.
Classroom Meetings 5:00 p.m.

High School Aug. 28, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
High School Meeting Times:
Grade 7 Orientation 5:30 pm
Grade 8 Wolf Ridge Info 5:30 pm
10-12 Chromebook Pickup 5:30-7:00 pm
Grade 9/New Students Chromebook Orientation:

- Last name A-G 6:00 p.m.
- Last name H-Z 6:30 p.m.

Back to School Mailing:

A mailing will be sent out by August 21 to all families containing a welcome letter, classroom placements, bus schedules, class supply lists, free-reduced lunch forms, and other important back to school information. If you do not receive your mailing by August 26, please contact the school and we will get the information to you.

Lunch Program:

All kindergarten students will receive free breakfast this year. All students qualifying for reduced meals will also receive free breakfast and lunch. Breakfast rates are \$1.25 for students. Lunch rates increased to \$2.35 for Viking students and \$2.45 for Newfolden and High School Students. We implemented a new online payment system called SchoolPay. You can get there from our school website.

Free Reduced Forms:

Please take time to complete the free and reduced lunch forms that are included in the August mailing. Qualifying helps our food service program and it helps many of our academic programs as well. These dollars help us provide supplemental education services to students that need extra help. This is a yearly application. **If you were approved in the past, you must get a new form completed and turned in prior to September 30 in order to be eligible to receive free/reduced meals.** Once completed, turn the forms into any school office. For questions, contact Patty Wagner in the Newfolden Elementary Office (218) 874-8530.

District App

Search the Google Play or Apple Store for Marshall County Central and download our app. The app content matches our school web site and has settings that allow you to customize the news and notifications you would like to receive.



Bus Route Information:

You will receive a copy of the master bus routes in the August mailing. There are changes each year that could have affected which bus you ride and the time picked up. Please look over your child's pick up time. Reminder, children should be at stops 5 minutes prior to pick up time. If you have questions or if you need transportation and are not on the route lists, please contact Adam in the transportation office (218) 874-7291 or alokstad@mccfreeze.org and he will assist you. Reminder: When your child needs to ride a different bus home than they usually ride, a note is required. A phone call to the office can be made in lieu of a note.

MCC Education Foundation Web Site

The MCC Education Foundation has moved its web site to a new location: www.mcceducationfoundation.org. The education foundation supports the school by providing scholarships, grants, promoting our history, and encouraging community and alumni support for our school.

School Supply Lists:

School Supply lists are now available on the school web site. Click on Menu and select School Supply Lists.

July Board Brief (continued)

- Board approved hire of Kelsi Sundahl, NE Paraprofessional.
- Board approved hire of Dawn Gilbertson, HS Custodian.
- Board approved 2019-2021 contract for Brian Longerbone, HS Principal.
- Board approved maternity leave for Richelle Klasen.
- Board awarded milk bid to Food Service of America. Board also received bid from Dean's Foods.
- Board approved updates to 2019-2020 Chromebook Handbook.

- Board passed resolution of approval of the District Long Term Facilities 10 year plan.
- Board discussed approval process for extra curricular positions.
- Board discussed space concerns in school buildings. Buildings and Grounds committee will meet and share discussion with board at upcoming meeting.
- Board adjourned meeting at 9:46 p.m.

CHROMEBOOK INFORMATION FOR PARENTS:



The MCC Chromebook Handbook is available on the school web site. We ask that parents of grades 9-12 students take time to review the handbook. Paper copies of required forms will be mailed out with the back to school mailing and are also available at school upon request. The handbooks explain student expectations, rules, proper use information, copies of forms, and insurance requirements. Insurance will remain \$50 this year and is required in order for student to take Chromebooks home. Free/Reduced lunch students will pay \$25 for insurance. Informational meetings and form collections will take place at Back to School night on August 28 for new students and students entering grade 9. Students in Grades 10-12 can bring in forms and payment to collect Chromebook. For questions prior to the meeting, please contact the district office (218) 874-8530.

BACK TO SCHOOL INFO. (CONT.)

Preschool

The first day of preschool will be September 5. Preschool is held on Thursday and Friday on days we have school from September until mid-May. Preschool Orientation will be September 3 at 6:00 p.m. An information letter will be sent out to families soon.

Head Start

The first day of Head Start will be September 9. Head Start is held on Monday - Wednesday on days we have school in the district from September until mid May. Head Start will send information home with families soon about the parent information meeting.

MCC Schools - Report It Program

We are starting a program called Safe Schools Alert for our families. to provide information about bullying, intimidation, harassment, vaping, drugs, threat or concerns. You can choose to remain anonymous when you create your report. Options to report include visiting the following website: <http://1837.alert1.us>; emailing a tip to 1837@alert1.us; calling 833.419.3467; or texting to 833.419.3467. If they ask for a district code use: 1837.

FREEZE KIDS CARE PROGRAM

We are beginning our fifth year of Freeze Kids after school child care this year. Thank you to our families and coordinator Michele Audette for the programs success. The program can have 20 students. Some returning families have secured spots. The remaining spots will be held on a first-come/first-serve basis.

Hours of the program are from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on school days only. Families must complete a registration and make first weeks deposit. Drop-ins or partial week participants are accepted with one weeks notice. Registration forms and parent contracts are available on the school web site or you can request them from the school office. We will not not reserve forms via e-mail to preserve integrity of first-come/first-serve. We will maintain a waiting list if the program fills. Rates are \$40 per week for a 5 day school week. If you have any questions about Freeze Kids, you may contact the district office (218) 874-8530.



FREEZE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Aug. 24 V Jamboree @ Argyle
 Aug. 29 V @ Win-E-Mac 7:00 pm
 Sep. 3 JH Jamboree @ MCC 3:30 pm
 Sep. 6 V vs. BGMR @ MCC 7 pm
 Sep. 9 JH/JV @ BGMR 4:30 pm
 Sep. 13 V @ KCC 3:30 pm
 Sep. 16 JH/JV vs KCC @ TC 4:30 pm
 Sep. 20 V vs. Grygla/Good. @ TC 7 pm**
 Sep. 23 @ Goodridge 4:30 pm
 Sep. 27 V @ Stephen/Argyle 7 pm
 Sep. 30 JH/JV vs. SAC @ MCC 4:30 pm
 Oct. 4 V vs. Blackduck @ MCC 7 pm*
 Oct. 7 JH/JV @ WAO 4:30 pm
 Oct. 11 V vs. WAO @ TC 7:00 p.m.***
 Oct. 16 V @ Laporte 7 p.m.



FREEZE VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Aug. 27 @ Warroad
 Aug. 29 vs. LOW @ TC
 Sep. 3 @ KCC (Hallock)
 Sep. 5 vs. BGMR @ TC
 Sep. 7 C Team Tourney (Hallock)
 Sep. 10 @ RLF
 Sep. 12 vs. SAC @ MCC
 Sep. 14 JV Tourney (Lancaster)
 Sep. 17 vs. WAO @ MCC
 Sep. 21 V Tourney (Parkers Prairie)
 Sep. 24 vs. KCC @ TC** ***
 Sep. 26 @ SAC
 Sep. 28 JH Warroad Tournament
 Sep. 28 JV RLF Tournament
 Oct. 1 @ BGMR (Greenbush)
 Oct. 3 @ WAO
 Oct. 5 C Team Tourney (Greenbush)
 Oct. 5 V Tourney (Mahnomon)
 Oct. 8 @ Roseau
 Oct. 10 vs. G/G @ MCC
 Oct. 12 JH Tourney (Hallock)
 Oct. 12 V Tourney (Fertile)
 Oct. 15 @ Sacred Heart

* Homecoming

** Parents' Night

*** Senior Night

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ECFE Schedule for 2019-2020

ECFE is moving to Monday nights for the 2019-2020 school year. Preschool ECFE teacher Amie Buck and paraprofessional Melissa Hestekind will provide program. Hilary Gram from Head Start Busy Buddies will be there on a few occasions as well.

- September 16 - ECFE Kickoff
- September 30 - Autumn Colors
- October 7 - Fire Safety
- October 21 - Pumpkin Party
- November 4 - Red, White, Blue, and you
- November 18 - Giving Thanks
- December 2 - Creative Christmas
- January 13 - Winter Wonders
- February 3 - The Groundhog's Shadow
- February 17 - TRF Library Field Trip (5:30 to 7:00 p.m.)
- March 23 - Springtime Fun!
- April 6 - Baby Animals
- April 20 - Touch-a-Truck (Newfolden 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.)
- May 4 - Mommy, Grandma, and Me
- May 18 - Picnic in the Park (Newfolden City Park 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.)



Times of programming are 4:30 to 5:30 or 6:00 to 7:30 unless noted otherwise.