



November 7, 2021

Parents,

We are excited to celebrate Veterans Day this week by hosting a Veterans Day program for Veterans! Please see the information below for more information.

We are three weeks into the second quarter, and this is a great time for students to develop some good habits. Utilizing assignment books, checking grades in Skyward, checking Canvas daily, and designating time to study each night are habits we want students to develop that support academic success. We hope your student is off to a good start this quarter!

Have a great week!

Veterans Day

Mt. Vernon Middle School invites Military Veterans to attend our Veterans Day program scheduled for Thursday, November 11th at 9:30 am in the main gym. Members of the 8th grade band and MVMS choirs will be performing. Student Council and NJHS will also be participating.

Due to COVID protocols and space constraints, guests will be limited to our Veterans and the students they represent. All other students will be able to watch via live streaming. We will also record the program for our band and choir families with a link for this recording being provided by Mr. Day and Mrs. Stewart afterwards.

Veterans wishing to attend the program should sign up [HERE](#).

Important Notes:

All guests and participants are required to wear a mask at all times.

Please enter the building at either Door #1, Door #2, or Door #8.

If you have any questions, please contact the MVMS Main Office at 317-485-3160

Mt. Vernon Middle school has a permanent display dedicated to MV graduates who have enlisted in the Armed Forces. If your son or daughter is a recent MV graduate and has enlisted in the US Military we would love to include them. Please send a picture of your service member to brigitte.bussen@mvcsc.k12.in.us and include their name and graduation year.

Food Drive

The NJHS is sponsoring a food drive beginning Monday, November 8th through Friday, November 12th. Students in 6th grade will be donating food to their 2nd period class and students in 7th and 8th grade will be donating food to

their Success class. The winning class per grade level will win donuts. Students donating items may participate in Spirit Dress Up Days:

Monday - PJ Day

Tuesday - Jersey Day

Wednesday - Neon Day

Thursday - Hawaiian/Tourist Day

Friday - MV Day

All of our collections will benefit local food pantries and support families in our own community.

Holiday Assistance

Hello MVMS families! The holidays are almost here! If your family is in need of Christmas assistance, please fill out the application that can be found [HERE](#). MVMS is happy to help! This application must be filled out by November 12th. We are making our deadline early this year since shipped packages/gifts are taking longer than usual to be delivered. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Erin Heller, MVMS School Counselor, at erin.heller@mvcsc.k12.in.us or (317)485-3160.

Join the MVCSC Team

Community members who are looking for work or know someone who is looking for a rewarding position are encouraged to consider MVCSC employment opportunities. The district is hiring custodians, instructional assistants, food service, and bus drivers-- all offering competitive wages and all playing a vital part in the Marauder school family. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about open positions and become part of our team.

Currently, MVMS is looking for instructional assistants, a second shift custodian, and a permanent substitute teacher. Click on the link above to apply!

MV Reads: News from the Library

Help us celebrate reading by supporting our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair next week, November 8-19! The first week students will preview books during fixed library times; the SECOND week students will be able to purchase books. Parents, if you are interested in working at the book fair, please sign up using: [MVMS Book Fair Volunteers Signupgenius](#) .

News from the PTO

Every MVMS parent is automatically a part of the school PTO!

A school is more successful with parental involvement, and there are many ways to give support.

Parents please take a moment to like/follow our PTO social media accounts.

We will be posting information in both locations about things going on in the school and how you can help!

FACEBOOK: Mt. Vernon Middle School PTO

INSTAGRAM: mvms_pto

November Treat Tuesday for MVMS Staff:

Our new monthly TREAT TUESDAYS are a huge success! We are doing a Coffee Truck for the staff on November 16. Please consider donating a cup or cups of coffee to our staff easily through VENMO; @RL-Coffee. You can also donate muffins and donuts. *Visit this Signupgenius for more information or see the attached flyer!*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4CADA928A75-november>

MVMS Spirit Wear Store:

Watch for information on our new Spirit Wear Store that will be launched mid November! We will have new exciting items available for all your holiday shopping needs! Hats, pajama pants, new sport themed spirit wear and so on.

Fundraising:**AMAZON SMILES:**

Shop through Amazon Smiles and select Mt. Vernon Middle School PTO. You MUST stop and open up AMAZON SMILES each time you shop to receive the .5% back to our school.

Dine to Donate:

Our PTO will be getting a percentage back from Rose & Lois for our specialty drinks for November Treat Tuesday!

Volunteer Opportunity:

The Media Center is looking for additional volunteers to help with the school book fair 11/15 - 11/19. Please visit this Signupgenius to help!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48A4A82EA4FAC16-2021>

PTO Meetings:

Meetings will take place the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the MVMS Library. Please join us on November 17th at 6 pm in the MVMS Media Center.

Questions:

If you have any questions please email mtvernonmiddleschoolpto@gmail.com.

Winter Athletics

Any 7th or 8th grade student interested in participating in Winter Guard is welcome to 2022 workshops. These workshops will take place on Monday, November 15th and Tuesday, November 16th from 5:00-9:00 PM in the MV High School Cafeteria. Students are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing. All skill levels are welcome! Please contact jackie.nason@mvcsc.k12.in.us with any questions.

Any 7th or 8th grade boy interested in playing baseball for MV is welcome to join Coach DeFord for a conditioning practice at the *Performance Enhancement Center* 4:00 - 5:30 Wednesday, November 10th. This is only for athletes **NOT** participating in a Winter Sport and only workout clothes/running shoes are needed. Boys will stay after school in the main gym and the Coach will meet them there at 4:00 to walk over to the PEC. Parents will need to pick up their student at 5:30 at the PEC Center. Conditioning will take place once a month through January.

Anyone interested in trying out is required to complete and submit to the Athletic office the [IHSA Sports Physical](#) and [Final Forms](#) prior to tryouts.

Attendance at MVHS Athletic Events

Please read the information [HERE](#) regarding attendance at Mt. Vernon High School athletic events.

Homework Help

The MVMS Kitchen Table (aka Homework Help Club) is available Tuesday's after school for any student trying to recover from absences, get extra help with challenging concepts, or find assistance preparing for upcoming tests. Students report to Mr. Crouch's classroom immediately after school until 4:30pm. Please plan to pick up your student at 4:30 pm at the Main Entrance to MVMS.

How to Report an Absence

If your student will be absent from school please notify us by one of the following methods:

- Call the attendance line at 317-485-3160 (available 24/7)
- Email elizabeth.blunk@mvcsc.k12.in.us

Daily News

Announcements can be found [HERE](#).

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

November 8 - 12 - NJHS Food Drive

November 8 - 19 - MVMS Scholastic Book Fair

November 11 - Veterans Day Program - 9:30 am.

November 24 - 26 - Thanksgiving Break

Social Media

Twitter: @MtVernon_MS

Instagram: @Mt.Vernon_MS

Facebook: MtVernonMiddleSchool