



November 28, 2021

Parents,

8th Grade Trip to Washington, D. C.

We are pleased that we have been able to put plans in place for 8th grade students to travel to Washington, D.C., next spring. We have been monitoring current Covid numbers and putting additional precautions in place for the safety of all travelers. Because of the additional planning time, our timeline for collecting funds for the trip is condensed this year. Please note that the first payment of \$100 is Monday, November 29th. This is a downpayment to secure the motor coaches that will take us to Washington, D.C.

Please read the information [HERE](#) carefully. If you have questions, please contact Stephanie Evans at stephanie.evans@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

Volunteer Needed! Hosting a book fair is rewarding, but it takes many hours of preplanning and organization. We are in search of a K-8 PTO parent interested in co-sponsoring your school's Scholastic Book Fair along with the library teacher; the desire is for this person to help with book fairs for at least two years. Duties include: preplanning dates, contacting parent volunteers, dedicating an entire week of training parents on the register and/or helping students make good choices, helping with restock orders and finally, being there on the last day to tear down the book fair. It's a lot of work for one person, and we would appreciate someone who is willing to dive in and help create a book fair that students will remember for years to come. If you are that person, email dana.hochstedler@mvcsc.k12.in.us at your earliest convenience.

News from the PTO

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

A school is more successful with parental involvement. 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

MVMS SPIRIT WEAR STORE:

Our new MVMS SPIRIT STORE is called FIDGETY FAN. We will have a link to this and flyers coming out soon. You can visit their website for a sneak peak... www.fidgetyfan.com click on "shop collections". There are some great holiday buying options such as gift cards, pajamas, hats, individual sport wear for the whole family and much more!

BUILD THE BUDGET CAMPAIGN:

Just like the rest of the world, our middle school PTO has suffered the last few years. We have missed out on fundraising activities and have very little left in our account to spend. We want to be able to support our faculty and staff by gifts of appreciation, treats, activities, and classroom supplies. We also would like to be able to sponsor an end of the year party for our 6th and 7th graders along with a more formal, special evening for our 8th graders. In order to do these things we need to hold an emergency "BUILD THE BUDGET" campaign! We will hopefully be rolling this out on December 11. It will be a great way for your family to contribute and also get an end of year tax deduction!

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.

CANDY GRAM SALES:

We will be selling CANDY GRAMS for \$1 each to students during lunch hours the week of 12/6 - 12/10! This will help pay for staff holiday year end gifts! Please send in \$\$ with your students to participate!

PTO MEETINGS:

There will be NO December meeting. Please join us at our next meeting on January 19, 2022, 6 pm in the MVMS Media Center. There are plenty of ways to help!

QUESTIONS:

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

Winter Athletics

Girls Basketball Tryouts.

Any girl in 6th, 7th or 8th grade interested in trying out for basketball should complete this form:

[Girls Basketball Callout Form](#)

7th & 8th grade girls tryouts take place:

Monday, 11/29 4:00-6:00 pm
Tuesday, 11/30 4:00-6:00 pm

6th grade girls tryouts take place:

Wednesday, 12/15 4:00-6:00 pm
Thursday, 12/16 6:00-8:00 pm

You MUST have a physical submitted to the athletic office prior to tryouts.

Weights & Conditioning

Weightlifting will be Tuesdays & Thursdays after school starting Tuesday, November 30th, for ALL student athletes not playing a winter sport. Students will meet in the cafeteria when bus riders are dismissed. Students will need to wear a mask, bring a t-shirt, shorts, gym shoes, and a water bottle and will be able to change in the locker room at the high school. **Weights will be every Tuesday and Thursday after school until 5:30 PM, starting on November 30th.** Parent pick up will take place at the north entrance of the main gym at MVHS. If you have any questions, contact Coach Harnish eric.harnish@mvcsc.k12.in.us

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.

Reporting 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 30th- 1st Washington D.C. trip payment due
December 13th- MVMS Choir Concert
December 15th- MVMS 6th Grade Winter Band Concert @ 6pm
MVMS 7th/8th Grade Winter Band Concert @ 7pm
December 17th- End of Quarter 2