

Mrs. Kunkel's kindergarten students at Waverly practice active listening answering questions about their story.

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Mooreville Schools

The Importance of Relationships

I have always said that one of the most important things we do is to establish relationships. Mooreville Schools is not just an entity. We are a part of the Mooreville community, with nearly 5,000 area citizens in our schools each day. The relationships we build with one another and with our community are critical to our success.



**Randy Taylor
Superintendent**

We were sent the photo below anonymously by someone who wanted to share how much of a difference one staff member made.



PHMS Principal Micah Elliott assists a stranded motorist in town.

PHMS principal Micah Elliott stopped last week to help a stranded motorist who had run out of gas. While some cars simply drove by, he checked with the driver,

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A North Madison 6th grader walks to the bus with his new kindergarten buddy.

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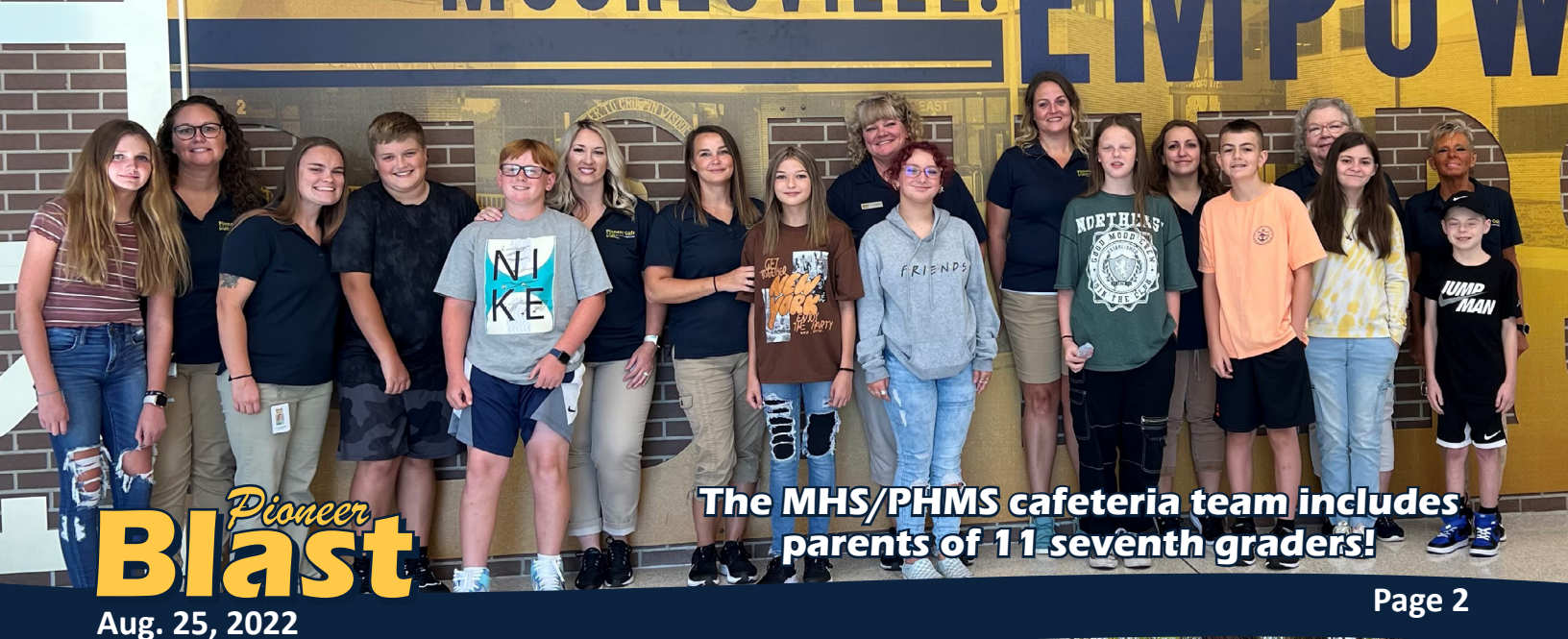
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The MHS/PHMS cafeteria team includes parents of 11 seventh graders!

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found out that she needed gas, and ran home to get some from his own garage.

Simple acts like this are a huge part of why we were so proud of all of our staff at Mooresville Schools. Our staff members are parents and community members. Our work includes helping our students build relationships to last a lifetime.

We're also proud of our students, who are working together to make a difference with their acts of kindness, dedication, and teamwork - in the classroom, on the field, and in our community.

We're proud to be Mooresville Pioneers!



Nate Burns and Tyler Gercak celebrate their win at the Plainfield Relays

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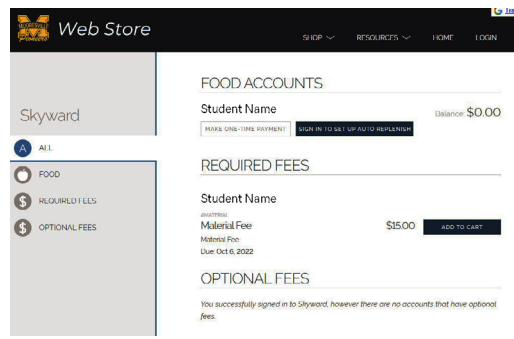
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Online Payment Options

Parents who would like an online option can pay schools fees through Skyward. Money can be added (as needed or on a monthly schedule) to a student's lunch account, pay for required book fees such as book rental or optional fees (club memberships, etc.). Log into your child's [Skyward Account](#) to check the options. Contact your child's school office for more information or with any questions about payments.





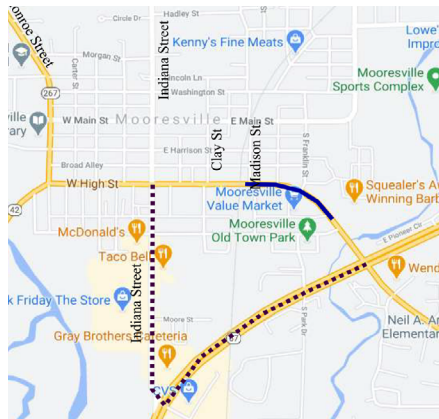
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Teamwork and skill were needed for building "Hula Huts" in PE at Newby

News Briefs

Congratulations, Coach!: MHS Football Coach Mike Gillin celebrated his 350th career win when the Pioneers defeated Bloomington North last week. The team is in action Friday night at home against Danville.



Traffic Update: High St./SR 42 from Indiana St. to the railroad tracks has reopened. Now on High St./SR 42 from the railroad tracks to South St. is closed. Traffic can access South St. from High St.

Vaccinations Due Sept. 1: Families of students in grades K, 6, and 12 should check if their student's vaccinations are up to date. Moorsville's deadline for vaccinations is Sept. 1. Please call your school's office with any questions about getting vaccinations or showing vaccination proof. See the

[Indiana Immunization Requirements](#) for more information.

Community Information & Fliers: Nonprofit organizations in the Moorsville school district area with activities for school-age students may share their fliers through Moorsville Schools. Fliers will be posted on the school website with a link to this page of the weekly *Pioneer Blast*. Current fliers include:

- [Moorsville Girls Junior Basketball League](#)
- [Upward Junior Basketball & Cheer League](#)
- [Girl Scouts Anderson Orchard Fishing Event](#)
- [Illuminate Walk & Family Event](#)
- [Patriot's Pen Middle School Essay Contest](#)
- [Voice of Democracy High School Essay Contest](#)

Upcoming Events

Sept. 5 District
Labor Day- No School

Sept. 7 Newby
PTO Meeting 6p.m.

Sept. 23 Newby
Game Night and Book Fair 5:30-7:30p.m.

Sept. 23 District
Homecoming

Oct. 5 Newby
PTO Meeting 6p.m.

Oct. 6 Northwood
Picture Retake Day

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Adults in the community:

Get your High School Equivalency (HSE) diploma at Moorsville High School on Monday and Wednesday evenings!

ATTEND CLASSES AT MOORESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL AND EARN YOUR HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY (HSE) DIPLOMA!

MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Sign up at [adulted.info/student-enrollment](#) and choose the Moorsville High School location!



Health Services Protocols

Please Note: These protocols reflect current guidance from federal, state, and local health officials. Should guidance change, school protocols will be updated to reflect current information. 8/8/22

The safety and well-being of our students and staff are of utmost importance. We appreciate everyone's help with the following:

- **Masks are welcome** in any situation.
- **Close contact and quarantine** guidance will be followed in accordance with [Indiana Code 16-41-2-1](#).
- **Increased cleaning and disinfection** remain in place. School air filtration systems meet or exceed all requirements for fresh air circulation.
- **Home test kits** are available through health services at your school. Testing is encouraged if your child is a close contact or is symptomatic for COVID-19. PCR, rapid tests, or alternate physician diagnoses are accepted by the school. Families **MUST** share positive test result documents or photo of test with name and date with your school's Student Health Services so your child's absence can be coded as COVID-19 related.
- **Extracurricular (EC) activities** will follow MCHD, IHSA, and ISSMA guidance.

COVID-19 Positive Case Isolation & Contact Tracing Guidance

Positive Test - Isolation: Anyone who tests positive must stay home days 1-5 (date of symptoms or asymptomatic test is day "0") and may return to school day 6 if fever-free* and symptoms are resolving. We encourage those returning follow CDC guidance and be masked from days 6-10.

Close Contact Protocols - Regardless of Vaccination Status: Close contacts may remain in school as long as asymptomatic and negative. If symptoms develop, testing is recommended. CDC guidelines recommend wearing a mask for 10 days (last day of contact is day "0"). Testing on day 5 is recommended.

Best Practices

Proper hand washing

is the best way to limit the spread of germs. Students have many opportunities each day to wash hands and use sanitizer.

Monitoring student health each day is crucial. Students with [signs of illness](#) (including but not limited to: fever*, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, sore throat, and loss of taste or smell) should not come to school. Symptomatic students are encouraged to test for COVID-19.

Vaccinations

are recommended by the CDC for all students.

When in doubt,

stay home and contact school health services or the Morgan County Health Department (765-342-6621) for guidance.

Additional resources

are available through the following:

www.Coronavirus.IN.gov

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus

www.MooresvilleSchools.org/departments/health/safety

Returning to School After Illness

Please call your school's Student Health Services for information about health-related issues. Please be aware of Mooresville Schools' policies on returning to school after illness:

- Students sent home with a diarrhea or vomiting must remain out of school for 24 hours.
- Students sent home with fever* must be fever-free at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication such as Tylenol.
- Students who have a sore throat, cough, loss of taste or smell, or other signs of illness should not return to school until symptoms are improved.

**Mooresville Schools follow Indiana Department of Health recommendations, which classify a fever as a temperature of 100.4 degrees or greater. Students sent home with a fever must remain out of school for a minimum of 24 hours.*