

MADISON MESSENGER

MADISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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From the Superintendent's Desk:

In the January newsletter, I briefly touched on the District's Strategic Five-Year Facility Maintenance plan called the "2020 Vision." There are several components to the plan which will provide for a progressive and cost-effective approach to teaching and learning environment in our schools. This list of projects to consider was developed by Board members, faculty, administration, parents, students, alumni, and business leaders at the annual School Board & Stakeholder Workshop. Some of these include:

- Roof replacement
- Lighting upgrades
- Bricks & mortar repair
- Exterior wall repair & insulation
- Window & HVAC replacement
- Upgrades to some classrooms, restrooms & locker rooms
- Updates to the middle school gymnasium
- Installation of an integrated elementary science lab
- Sidewalk and parking lot improvements

And perhaps most timely,

- Enhanced security at building main entrances

At the December Board of Education Meeting, the 2020 Vision was discussed in detail, including the plans for enhanced security at each of our main entrances; such as constructing a vestibule area for guests, access cards for faculty, and a buzzer system in place for visitors during the school day.

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Due to recent events, the timeline for this project has been moved ahead. In fact, some of these increased security measures have already been adopted. Guests have limited access to the building, and a new doorbell system is in place. A more permanent secure entry system will be installed soon.

These security measures also support earlier conversations at Board meetings regarding visitor policies as they relate to:

- the value of instructional time
- student independence
- school procedures

In limiting the number of visitors in the building, we have already found reduced foot traffic in our hallways, students displaying greater independence, and an easier transition into the start of the school day. We thank you for understanding these new policies and procedures and how they support the District's vision for an ever-improving learning environment for our students.

One unexpected outcome from these changes is the increase in the number of parents using the drop-off lane in front of the elementary entrance instead of parking in the lot. This has created heavier traffic before school; however, please know that students may enter the building as early as 8:05 a.m. and drop-off lane traffic is lightest between 8:05 and 8:15. In arriving a little earlier, most of the parking lot congestion can be avoided. As noted above, our parking lots and sidewalks are one of the suggested projects of the 2020 plan and we will continue to work toward traffic improvements on campus.

Thanks, as always, for supporting the students of Madison.

Ryan Rowe, Superintendent



Our Mission: *Madison School District, in cooperation with our community, will enable each student to develop his or her full potential to be successful in an ever-changing world.*

Important February Dates & Holidays:

Wednesday, February 10	Spring Count Day	<i>Please be sure your child is in attendance</i>
Friday, February 12	Early Student Dismissal <i>MMS/MHS Dismissed at 11:00 a.m.; MES dismissed at 12:00 p.m.</i>	Staff Professional Development
Sunday, February 14	Valentines Day	
Monday, February 15	No School	Mid-Winter Break
Monday-Friday, February 15-19	BSY No School	Mid-Winter Intercession
Monday, February 22	Presidents' Day	
Monday, February 29	Leap Day	

District events may be found online anytime at: www.madisonk12.us/events



Show Your Love to Our Schools!

*There are many opportunities to give the gift of time throughout the school year. Organizations such as the Madison Athletic Boosters, Performing Arts Club, PATT, MYAC, and FAN appreciate the ideas and help of new members. You may also choose to read with our students in the STARS program, assist with a Book Fair, or help in individual classrooms. **Together we can help our students succeed!** Contact your building office for current volunteer opportunities.*

Madison Gleaner Arbor Seeks Members

WHO WE ARE....we are members of Gleaner Life Insurance Society working to complete worthwhile projects that benefit our community. If you are a Gleaner certificate holder, please consider joining us!

For more information contact Dawn Opsal at 517-263-0741 ext. 123 or Jennifer Morin ext. 121, or visit the Madison Arbor tab located on the district website under the **Resources** tab.

Upcoming Meetings

Madison Stakeholders are welcome to attend any of the meetings below. Can't make a meeting, but still want to help? Contact email addresses are provided.

Parents and Teachers Together (P.A.T.T.)

Tuesday, February 2 | 6:30 p.m.

Elementary Library

PATT@madisonk12.us

Athletic Boosters

Wednesday, February 3 | 6:30 p.m.

Board Room

Tricia.Fowler@madisonk12.us

Madison Youth Athletic Council (MYAC)

Wednesday, February 3 | 7:30 p.m.

Board Room

MYAC@madisonk12.us

Board of Education

Monday, February 15 | 6:00 p.m.

Board Room

Ryan.Rowe@madisonk12.us

Latch-Key and Early Release Days

Parents interested in Latch-Key care for their children on the early release day on **Friday, February 12** will need to register their child in advance. Forms will be sent home with your child. The focus of the day's activities will be on Team Building.

Please note that this is only available to current Latch-Key students only. The deadline for registering your child is **Friday, February 5**.

Snack schedules, back up copies of forms, special announcements and more can be found on the Latch-Key page of the website. Visit www.madisonk12.us and click on Resources, then Latch-Key Program.

If you have any questions, please contact Raquel.Ybarra@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0744 ext. 352.



MES Winter Lock-In

Chase away the winter blues and cure cabin fever with this fun Friday activity!

There will be music, dancing, and fun at the Winter Lock-In on Friday, February 12 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Admission is \$5.00 and there will be photos, glow sticks, and concessions for an additional fee.

We ask that students not bring cell phones or other electronic devices, but instead spend time hanging out together and having fun.

Registration forms are in the elementary office and on the P.A.T.T. page of the website. The Lock-In is sponsored by P.A.T.T. and the MHS After Prom Committee. Want to help? Volunteers are always welcome. Contact PATT@madisonk12.us if you can assist.



Early Childhood Parenting Made Fun

This is a free, five-week parenting program designed by the Love and Logic Institute, Inc., and facilitated by Stacey Weinberg, School Social Worker and Independent Presenter of Love and Logic Programs. This program is designed to give you practical parenting skills that can help handle meal time disruptions, ease bedtime preparation, end temper tantrums and whining, provide constructive discipline techniques, and more!



Classes will be held in the Madison MS/HS Media Center from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on February 4, 11, 18, 25 and March 3, 2016. Please register by February 2. *Free child care will be provided to the first 20 registrants.*

Registration forms are available on the website at <http://www.madisonk12.us/news> or by contacting Kara.Lambka@lisd.us or Tricia.Fowler@madisonk12.us.

TLC Banking at Madison Elementary & Middle Schools

Middle school students may deposit money into their TLC student savings accounts on Tuesdays before school near the office. Deposits for elementary students are accepted in the Commons between 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. You may register for the program by contacting the building offices.



Popcorn Fridays

One of the most popular fundraisers at Madison is Popcorn Friday. For \$1.00 students may choose to purchase a large bag of popcorn with proceeds supporting the 5th grade outdoor education program.

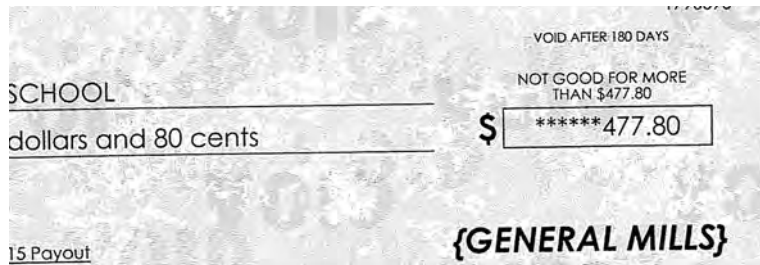
Upcoming Popcorn Fridays:

February 5 February 26 March 18

Thank you to Mr. Gary Nowak and our volunteer students and parents for making popcorn, filling bags, taking orders, and making deliveries!

Parents concerned about food allergies may read the ingredient list for the popcorn online at:

www.madisonk12.us/news/popcorn-ingredients/



Box Tops Thank You

Madison Middle School received a check for \$477.80 from Box Tops submitted in the fall collection period. The school will be submitting hundreds more thanks to the competition held by first hour classes over the holidays. Mrs. Matthews' class took the top spot with 334 Box Tops collected. They were rewarded with a donut breakfast on January 8. Box tops may be sent to either the middle or elementary schools at any time. Thank you for supporting the Box Tops for Education drive!

A Night Out at FireKeepers Casino

The Madison Athletic Boosters invites you to beat the winter blues with a bus trip to FireKeepers Casino on Saturday, March 19. The bus will leave Madison at 4:00 p.m. and return at midnight.

The trip includes deluxe round-trip motor coach transportation, five hours of gaming at FireKeepers, a \$20 player's card per person, and \$5 in food credit per person. Individual tickets are \$40 each, couples are \$75 each and are available in the High School and Central Offices. Attendees must be 21 years of age or older with proper I.D.



MHS Winter Homecoming Activities

MHS is gearing up for a week full of spirited Winter Homecoming Activities! All students are invited to participate and to show their Trojan pride and spirit! The festivities begin on Sunday, January 31 with a Powderpuff Volleyball game featuring our Trojan guys. Come watch them in action from 4:00-7:00 in the High School Activities Center.

Monday: Pajama Day ~ stay warm and cozy...wear your p.j.'s!

Tuesday: Transformation Tuesday ~ try a role reversal...dress as the opposite gender

Wednesday: Blood Drive Day ~ give blood...fake an injury

Thursday: Wacky Winter Homecoming Day ~ bundle up...wear your wacky winter wear

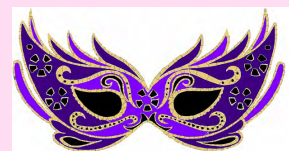
Friday: Blue & Gold Day ~ show your spirit...blue and gold from head to toe!



Students will meet the Winter Homecoming Court, including King and Queen Candidates, on Tuesday. On Friday, they will celebrate all afternoon with the crowning of the King and Queen and fun activities to build excitement for the big game. Friday night, the boys JV and varsity basketball teams face off against Morenci. JV tip-off is at 5:30 p.m. Come out and cheer for a Trojan victory!

Daddy Daughter Masquerade Ball

Madison Elementary girls and their chaperone are invited to the 2016 Daddy Daughter Masquerade Ball on **Saturday, February 6 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.** in the Madison Elementary Gym. Tickets purchased by January 29 are \$25 per couple and \$15 for each additional girl. After January 29, there will be a \$5 late fee.



Admission includes a picture package, snacks, and a goodie bag. Registration forms are available in the office and on the P.A.T.T. page of the website.

Elementary Spirit Week Activities

The Elementary Student Council encourages all students to participate in Spirit Week activities to support our High School athletes and get excited about Winter Homecoming. The following theme days were selected by Student Council members:

Monday, February 1 – PJ Day

Tuesday, February 2 – Twin Day

Wednesday, February 3 – Sports Day

Thursday, February 4 – Zoo Day

Friday, February 5 – Blue and Gold Day

Show your Trojan spirit by dressing in your wackiest theme-related gear! GO TROJANS!



MHS Winterfest Dance

Madison High School students are invited to dance the night away on **Saturday, February 6 from 8:30-11:30 p.m.** at the Lenawee Country Club. Back by popular demand, music will be provided by J-Man's Live DJ Service. Refreshments will be available.

Pre-sale tickets are \$15 and will be sold beginning January 29. Tickets at the door are \$20. Guest applications are due February 3.

Students should listen to the daily announcements for ticket sale times and locations.

Contact Marlys.Ford@madisonk12.us or Jerry.Pape@madisonk12.us for more information.



Do You Love Reading?

Madison community members are invited to share the love of reading with our elementary students S.T.A.R.S. is seeking adult volunteers willing to provide one-on-one reading support to our students. Training is available and staff are always present to help. Students are excited to see their S.T.A.R.S. mentor and the rewards of working with young children are countless.

If you can help, please contact
Brenda.Betz@madisonk12.us.



Reading is a GROOVY Thing!

The Elementary Library is celebrating Reading Month in March with the theme of "Reading is a Groovy Thing." Please join us from **5:00-7:00 p.m. on March 2** for Soup and Story Night in the Elementary Café. We will be reading Caldecott Prize winning books from the 1960s. Registration forms will be sent home with your child. The event is free, but we need to know how much soup to have.

Encourage your child to complete his or her reading log all month for fun prizes including two bikes donated by the Kiwanis Club of Adrian! Also, mark your calendars for the Scholastic Book Fair taking place March 7-11. We hope to see you there!



Media Center Hosts Book Fair

Winter is the perfect time to snuggle up with a new book! The MS/HS Media Center will host a winter Scholastic Book Fair during school hours from **Monday, February 8 through Friday, February 11**.

Be sure to check out the latest in teen fiction and great reference materials to broaden your horizons! There will also be fun posters and school supplies available.

A catalog of some of the available titles may be viewed online here: http://www.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/S16_Booklist/MS/index.html.



Winter Reading Program

Congratulations to the grand prize winners from the MS/HS Media Center's Winter Reading Program! Tyler Irwin, Elisa Jackson, Elisabeth Forsyth, Jessie Kardatzke, Santos Archeval (not pictured), Madison Burleson, Andrew Mullins, and Angel Beltran won gift certificates, books, cookies, posters, and other great prizes for their efforts.

Thank you to Sounds of Light, Karri's Cookies, JR's Hometown Grill, and Papa's Coney Island for sponsoring the prizes.

Book Fairs help with the purchase of new books for the Media Center. Stop in to check out the more than 150 new books that were just added to our collection! Thank you for your support!

Elementary Winter Music Programs



The first and second grade students are hard at work preparing their music for their upcoming musical performances. Be sure to add these dates to your calendar—these shows will definitely warm your heart!

On **Monday, February 8** the second grade classes will present *I Have a Dream* in the Performing Arts Center. The students of Mrs. Reetz, Mrs. Hague, and Mrs. Hall will perform at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. McNeil, Miss Witt, and Mrs. Dudas' students will begin at 7:00 p.m. Students are asked to arrive 15 minutes prior to the show and to dress nicely.

The following evening, on **Tuesday, February 9**, the first graders will share *Lost Little Valentines*. The students of Mrs. Zaszczurynski, Mrs. McVay, and Ms. Faling will perform at 6:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., the students of Mrs. Plum, Mrs. Publiski, and Mrs. Allen will present their show. Students are asked to arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the show and to wear red or pink.

DVDs of the first and second grade performances will be available for purchase for \$25.00.



In their final elementary performance, the fifth grade classes will present *Bebop with Aesop* on **Monday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m.**

Third grade students will present *Rock and Roll Forever* on **Tuesday, March 22**. The students of Mrs. Iott, Mrs. Riggs, and Ms. Weible will perform at 6:00 p.m. The students of Mr. Koebbe, Mrs. Risner, and Ms. Hill will perform at 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions about any of the shows, please call Mrs. Morris (ext. 339) or Mrs. Madziar (ext. 338).

Introduction to Vocal & Instrumental Music

Fifth grade students will have the opportunity to learn about music courses available to them with the Band, Orchestra, and Choir in middle school.

Mrs. Zeckner, Mrs. Madziar, and Mr. Ripper and the current band, orchestra, and choir students will present a short concert during school on **Tuesday, February 23**.

Following the performance, students will have the opportunity to try out various musical instruments in an "instrument petting zoo." Students will be encouraged to try a variety of instruments to see which might suit them best, should they decide to be a part of the band or orchestra.

A parent meeting for students interested in band or orchestra will be held on **Tuesday, March 15 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the MHS Band and Orchestra room** to provide more information about the instrumental music education classes available at Madison. Store representatives from Shar Music and Marshall Music will be on hand to answer your instrument rental questions. You can even start your rental plan that night. We encourage all parents of 5th grade students to learn more about how studying music can be beneficial to your student.

If you have any questions about our music classes please contact Mrs. Zeckner (ext. 400), Mrs. Madziar (ext. 338), or Mr. Ripper (ext. 499) or email

Marcie.Zeckner@madisonk12.us;
MaryBeth.Madziar@madisonk12.us; or
Dave.Ripper@madisonk12.us.



Home Access Center for Tracking Grades

Parents of middle and high school students can track their child's progress online using the Home Access Center (HAC). There are two easy ways to access your child's information:

1. Visit www.madisonk12.us and click on **Resources** then **Home Access Center**. Follow the link and log in using your username and password.
2. Download the HAC app to your smart phone and access your child's grades anytime. Instructions are provided on the Home Access Center page of the district website.

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

If you do not have your username or password, please contact the Middle School Office at 517-263-0743 or the High School Office at 517-263-0742.

Free Health Services for Children

Adrian Family Dentistry is offering free dental care for Lenawee County children ages 3-12 years of age on **Friday, February 5 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.** Appointments are necessary. Dr. Ross, Dr. Lowe, and their dental team will volunteer their services to children **not** covered by insurance. Call 517-263-3114 to schedule an appointment.

Adrian Family Pharmacy offers free vitamins to children ages 2-16. Children will receive a 30 day supply of a multi-vitamin each month for a year. Visit the pharmacy located at 1325 North Main Street in Adrian to register. The pharmacy may also be reached at 517-759-3500.



The Lenawee County Health Department offers vaccination clinics on the first and third Wednesday of the month and the second, fourth, and fifth Wednesday of the month. Vaccines are free for children who qualify for the Vaccines for Children Program. A \$15 administration fee is charged for each vaccine. For more details, please visit their website at www.lenawee.mi.us/departments/health-department or call 517-264-5226.



Red Cross Blood Drive Supports Scholarship Opportunities

Help Madison earn scholarship money for our seniors, and better yet, help save a life. The American Red Cross will be in the Madison Performing Arts Center on **Wednesday, February 3 from 8:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Please help us reach our goal of 55 units to qualify for scholarship earnings. If possible, we ask that you call to schedule an appointment in advance. Please contact Lora Fisher at Lora.Fisher@madisonk12.us or call 263-0741 ext. 210.

Mittens for Madison

Donations of new mittens, gloves, and hats are being collected to help keep Madison's students warm this winter. Items may be delivered to the Elementary Office through **March 2016**. If you have any questions, please contact Madison bus driver, Jeannie Merritt at 734-673-7959.

Do you need help with warm winter clothing for your child? Contact your school office or counseling office for assistance.



Nurse's Notes:

Is your child feeling sleepy?

Please make sure your child is getting enough rest every night so he or she arrives at school ready to learn. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends the following sleep guidelines:

Newborns: 16-18 hours per day

Preschoolers: 11-12 hours per day

Young Children: at least 10 hours per day

Teens: 9-10 hours per day

Adults: 7-8 hours per day

A lack of sleep can lead to chronic diseases and conditions and affects our attention and mood.

The National Sleep Foundation recommends:

- Keep a regular bed time and waking time; even on weekends.
- Make sure bedrooms are quiet and dark, and at a comfortable temperature.
- Use your bed only for sleeping; not for watching tv, listening to music, or using electronics.
- Avoid large meals before bedtime.

Nurse Ellen

517-263-0744 ext. 354



REMINDER: Your child should be symptom-free for 24 hours after vomiting or running a fever before returning to school. Help us limit the spread of illness.



TECH TIPS

Kids and the Internet Managing Online Usage 10 Tips for Parents

The tips below are paraphrased from the American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines for helping parents monitor their child's use of digital media. You can read more on their website at www.healthychildren.org/English/family-life/Media/Pages/Tips-for-Parents-Digital-Age.aspx

1. **Treat online usage the same as you would any other interaction your child has.** Know your child's friends, what television shows he watches, which books he reads, and what he is doing online.
2. **Set limits and encourage play time.** Make unplugged playtime a daily priority, and be sure to spend time in active play when you are able.
3. **Families who play together, learn together.** Play your child's video games with her to demonstrate good sportsmanship and gaming etiquette.
4. **Be a good role model.** Teach them how to interact kindly online. Limit your own screen time and be sure to spend time in face-to-face interactions with friends and family.
5. **Know the value of two-way communication.** Children learn best through two-way conversation. It is critical to language development that they spend time talking with others. Face to face is best, but video calls to far away family members are a good way to include two-way conversation into media use.
6. **Create tech-free zones.** Keep family meal times and other social gatherings tech-free. Recharge devices outside the bedroom overnight to reduce the temptation to use them when children should be sleeping.
7. **Don't use technology as an emotional pacifier or babysitter.** It can be tempting to use tech as a distraction or a way to keep kids busy, but encourage your child to find other ways to beat boredom.
8. **Apps for kids.** Do your homework to be sure that the apps your child is using are age appropriate.
9. **It's okay for your teen to be online.** Just be sure to talk to your child about what is, and is not, appropriate to share online. Monitor their usage and encourage them to talk to you if they have questions or concerns.
10. **Kids will be kids.** They will make mistakes online, but sexting, bullying, and self harm are real problems that need to be addressed. Monitor your child's media use and seek professional advice if there is a problem larger than you can handle alone.



Do you have questions about technology and your child? Contact

Jeanelle.Wonders@madisonk12.us. Follow the Elementary Technology Class Facebook page!

www.facebook.com/MadisonTech-K-5-346894422850/?fref=pb&hc_location=profile_browser



Students in Mrs. Zubke's 5th grade class are the proud recipients of the Technology Class Golden Keyboard! Through displaying good behavior, they earned the privilege of displaying the golden keyboard and each received a small prize from Mrs. Wonders. Congrats and keep up the great work!

Character Under Construction

Character under Construction is a free values, morals, and ethics program offered to Madison Middle School students by Keith Munro, Youth Minister of Blissfield Baptist Church. This month's meetings will be on February 3 and 17 from 3:00-4:15 p.m. Snacks are provided. Students are encouraged to bring a friend give the program a try!



TECH Center Visit Scheduled

In order to better plan for their high school education, eighth grade students will visit the LISD TECH Center on Tuesday, February 9. They will tour the facility and learn a little about each of the Career Technical Programs offered to Lenawee County students.

If you have questions about the trip or about the LISD TECH Center programs contact Middle School Counselor, Sylvia.Sotelo@madisonk12.us.

Fall Chicago Trip Payment Schedule Set

The class of 2021 will visit Chicago, Illinois during the week of October 27-30, 2016. The total cost for the Chicago trip is \$670. To assist parents in paying for the trip, the total has been broken out into installment payments. Payments may be made using cash or credit card by visiting www.MySchoolBucks.com, or by checks made payable to *Madison School District*. There is valuable information about the trip, along with details about fundraisers, on the district website at: www.madisonk12.us/8th-grade-trip/.



Trip Deposit	\$150	Due: February 5, 2016
2nd Payment	\$135	Due: March 18, 2016
3rd Payment	\$135	Due: April 29, 2016
4th Payment	\$135	Due: June 10, 2016
Final Payment	\$125 or remaining balance	Due: September 16, 2016

Questions may be directed to Danyelle.Matthews@madisonk12.us or Brad.Anschuetz@madisonk12.us.

Class of 2016 Photos Needed

The MHS yearbook staff is gathering pictures for the yearbook and graduation slide show. One standard senior portrait, one senior special pose, and two toddler-aged photos are requested for the yearbook. Submit as many candid photos as you wish for the slide show.

Please send high-resolution digital photos if possible. All yearbook photographs are due by February 26. If you did not have senior portraits taken, please contact Mrs. Ford.

Additionally, parents may choose to place a message of congratulations for their senior in the yearbook. There are a variety of options and price points available. Details are available on the website.



Please contact Marlys.Ford@madisonk12.us if you have questions or concerns.

MMS 2015-16 Yearbook Sale

Don't miss out on the memories! Yearbooks are \$15 and are on sale through March 11. Here's how to get yours:

1. Online through www.schoolpictures.com.
2. Call 1-800-482-0321.
3. Pick up an order form in the office, or download it from www.madisonk12.us/news and return it to the Middle School office with your payment. Cash, www.MySchoolBucks.com, and checks (made payable to Madison Middle School) accepted.

If you have questions, contact Jodi.Swinehart@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0743.

News from the High School Counseling Office

ACT Testing Dates

Test date: April 9
Register by: March 4

Test date: June 11
Register by: May 6

SAT Testing Dates

Test date: March 5
Register by: February 5

Test date: May 7
Register by: April 8

Test date: June 4
Register by: May 5

**Contact the Counseling
Office: 517-265-1843**

Jen Stelzer, Counselor
Jen.Stelzer@madisonk12.us

2016-17 Registration

The 2016-17 Course Description Catalog is available electronically on the web at www.madisonk12.us/counseling or paper copies are available in the Counseling Office.

Scholarship Opportunities

Think of scholarships as “free money” for use toward your college education. A little planning and work on your end could pay off big! Stop into the Counseling Office for details about these and other scholarship opportunities:

The application window for the Lenawee County Education Foundation scholarships is open through **February 26**. There are a variety of awards available. Visit <https://lenaweecef.awardspring.com> to apply.

Old National Bank provides one \$1000 Community Matters Scholarship in each ONB region each year. Last year's recipient was from Clinton High School. Let's make this year's from Madison! Applications need to be postmarked no later than **March 3**.

The Buick Achievers Scholarship Program offers 50 scholarships of up to \$25,000 each year. Applicants must be studying a major focused on engineering tech or design with an interest in the automotive industry. Stop in the counseling office for more details.

February Alumni Spotlight

The featured alumnus for the month of February is Joseph Kaufman. He is a 2003 graduate of Madison High School and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Materials Science Engineering from Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan. While there, he turned his focus to Metallurgy. He is now the Senior Metallurgical Engineer for the Research and Development Lab at Blount International in Portland, Oregon.

If you are interested in learning more about what it is like to be a Metallurgical Engineer, follow the link below to hear Joseph talk about his work in an informational video about careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM).

He and his wife, Jennie, enjoy spending their free time exploring the cities near them in the Pacific Northwest, playing in the mountains, and travelling.

Joseph is the son of Dennis and Early Elementary Principal, Linda Kaufman.

If you are a graduate of Madison Schools and would like to share your success story, please contact Rebecca.Schwan@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0741 ext. 150.

Learn more about Metallurgy here: <https://vimeo.com/140305512>.



Wrestling Club Registration Open

Madison Wrestling Club is open to all elementary and middle school athletes. Practices will begin on Monday, February 29 (3:30-5:00 p.m.) with a parent meeting following. The season runs through mid-April.



Registration is \$40 for Madison students and previous Club wrestlers and includes Club membership, tee shirt, and wrestling training. Athletes will also need wrestling shoes and headgear and additional tournament fees will be required.

Forms are available in the Elementary and Middle School offices or online. Email Scott.Hall@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0743 ext. 218 for more information.



Basketball Tournament – Early Bird Registration Closing Soon

Open to boys and girls in grades 5-8, the Madison Athletic Boosters and Madison Youth Athletic Council invites teams to register for a basketball tournament to be held on **Saturday, March 12.**

Early Bird Pricing runs through February 13 and is \$75 per team. Late registration is \$100 through February 27. Teams are guaranteed two games and will play by MHSAA rules and are asked to bring their own basketballs.

More information and registration forms are available in the Middle and Elementary School Offices and on the MYAC page of the website. Contact Robert Burciaga at 517-403-8964 for details.

SUPERFAN Shootout Returns!

The SUPERFAN Shootout was so much fun last year, we've decided to do it again! Y5's through 5th grade students will collect sponsorship donations through February 12.



During physical education classes on February 9, 10, and 11, students will display their basketball FUNDamentals in the SUPERFAN Shootout. All participants are eligible to earn thank you prizes for their efforts. Funds raised will support the Indoor Athletic Facility. Last year's event raised nearly \$2,000.

More information, including permission forms and prize details is available on the district website under News and Announcements. If you have questions, please contact:

Mary.Anschutz@madisonk12.us - 517-263-0744 ext. 533

Rick.McNeil@madisonk12.us - 517-263-0744 ext. 535

Advertise Your Business or Show Your Support!

Even though there is still ice and snow on the ground, we are thinking spring! You can show your support for the Madison Trojan baseball teams by sponsoring a banner on the outfield fence.

Your personal message or business advertisement will be displayed for two years.

For additional information please contact Coach Chris Dubbs at 734-546-1045 or Chris.Dubbs@madisonk12.us



- LOVE watching the TROJANS? Never miss a game! -

The 2016 Winter and Spring Athletics calendars are online!

www.madisonk12.us/events/category/trojan-athletics-calendar/

GOTR Early Bird Registration Closing Soon

Early Bird Registration for Girls on the Run closes Monday, February 15. Visit www.girlsontherunsemi.org/ to secure your daughter's place on the team.

Open to girls in grades 3-5, this program is a great opportunity for girls to develop positive relationships, build self-esteem, and train to run in a fun and exciting 5K race. Practices will be held at Madison Elementary from 3:30-5:00 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Contact Tracey.Brackelman@madisonk12.us for more information about Girls on the Run.



MYAC Youth Baseball

The Madison Youth Athletic Council is accepting registrations for spring baseball through **Friday, February 12.**

Youth T-Ball

Open to boys and girls ages 4-6
Registration is \$45 and includes hat and jersey

Youth Baseball

Open to boys ages 7-12.
Registration is \$85 and includes hat, jersey, pants, and belt.

Registration forms are available in the elementary and middle school offices and online at www.madisonk12.us/myac-youth-sports/

Practices will begin in mid-March in the Indoor Athletic Facility. Look for U14 information to be announced in March.

Contact MYAC Baseball Director, Eric Dopp, with questions. He may be reached at 517-902-1458.



MCSSC Seeks Girls for Softball

Girls interested in summer softball are invited to play with the Madison Community Summer Softball Club (MCSSC).

Teams are available for U10, U12, and U14.

Registration is \$120 and includes jersey, pants, socks, and game fees.

Registration forms and medical release forms are available in the elementary and middle school offices and online at www.madisonk12.us/news. Registration closes **Tuesday, March 1.**

Open practices have begun in the Indoor Athletic Facility. The 14U team meets Saturdays from 3:00-5:00 p.m. 10U and 12U meet on Sundays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Girls need to have a mitt and a change of shoes.

Please contact Katina Reyna with any questions about the MCSSC program. She may be reached at 517-403-4283 or mcssc_07@yahoo.com. Updates are also available on the group's Facebook page.



Silent Auction to Benefit IAF

The athletic department will host a silent auction at the JV and Varsity boys basketball games on **Friday, February 12.** The Trojans will face their rivals, the Sand Creek Aggies, with games starting at 5:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the silent auction will benefit the Indoor Athletic Facility.
Contact Kris.Isom@madisonk12.us for details.



Concessions Help Wanted

The Madison Athletic Boosters and MYAC are in need of volunteers to assist in the concessions stand during games. It works best with 3-4 people per shift.

If you are able to give a little of your time, please contact Tricia.Fowler@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0744 ext. 231.



Meet Your Board Members

January was School Board Appreciation Month; a time when we recognize the men and women who give their time and talents to lead our schools. Please take a moment to learn more about the members of the Madison Board of Education. Feel free to contact them to say thank you, invite them to coffee, or to ask how you might support our schools. Board members were recognized at the Monday, January 18 meeting for their service to our students, staff, families, and community. Thank you for working together to provide a bright future for our children!



M. Kyle Ehinger is a 16 year member of the Madison School District Board of Education and currently serves as the Board President. His wife, Yvonne, is a Madison employee and their daughters, Jessica and Julie attended Madison, graduating in 2007 and 2009.

Kyle is a graduate of Adrian Catholic Central High School and holds a degree in Biology from Siena Heights College. He is a United States Marine Corp Veteran, serving in Vietnam. Kyle was a plumber and pipefitter for nearly 40 years as a member of Local 333.

Kyle says he enjoys sharing what he has learned with others and encourages everyone to take the time to get involved in education in some way. In fact, one of his goals for 2016 is to see an increase in parent and community involvement in each of the Madison schools. Kyle says he sees his service on the Board as an opportunity to do his best to see that the students of Madison School District have the resources required for the best education possible. He says, "The parents and students of Madison make me proud to be a Trojan."

He may be contacted at MKehinger@frontier.com, but he says he prefers to have face to face conversations with members of the Madison Family. As an avid high school sports fan, you will likely see him at a Trojan sporting event. If you do, stop and say hi! Go Trojans!



Julie Ramos is a 15 year member of the Madison School District Board of Education and currently serves as Vice President. She feels it is very important to be involved in her daughters' education and serving on the board has given her the opportunity to ensure all Madison students are receiving a great education.

A proud Trojan, Julie says, "Over the past 15 years I have had the pleasure of watching many girls and boys come into Madison through the elementary building and leave as high school graduates as young men and women. They are proud moments for me."

Julie's goals for the district include maintaining high academic expectations for all students; gathering input from our community, staff, and students to reach our long-term goals, and maintaining and improving upon the successes that Madison has achieved.

Julie is a graduate of Adrian High School. She and her husband Tom (MHS class of 1979), have three daughters: Rebecca (2004), Angela (2007), and Marisa (9th grade). She is a Clerk at the Lenawee County Circuit Court and in her spare time Julie enjoys golf, volleyball, and photography. Julie says she also enjoys giving cooking lessons to Madison families who wish to learn how to make Spanish dishes. She looks forward to hearing from you regarding your ideas for Madison Schools. She may be contacted at Julie.Ramos@madisonk12.us.



Mark Swinehart currently holds the position of Treasurer on the Madison School District Board of Education. He has served the board for the past seven years because he wishes to support the education system that is in place at Madison. He says he believes in the team that supports our students on a daily basis.

A 1979 graduate of Madison High School, Mark's commitment to the district runs deep. His wife, Jodi, is a Madison graduate and employee. Their daughter, Ashley, graduated from MHS in 2011 and their son, Kyle, is a senior this year. He says, "There is a sense of PRIDE of being a Madison Trojan. I have been a Trojan my whole life. I was born and raised here. I was a Trojan when we were small and insignificant in the community. I am still a Trojan now that we are larger and more diverse."

Mark looks forward to working with the other members of the board and with school administration to achieve the goals they have identified to continuously improve for our students. He also wishes to further his education through the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) to become a better board member to serve the Madison School District.

Mark is an employee of the Madison Township Fire Department. In his free time he enjoys working outside and spending time with his family. If you wish to contact Mark, please feel free to email him at mswinehart108@hotmail.com.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed individuals can change the world; indeed it's the only thing that ever has."

—Margaret Meade



Nancy Roback currently serves as the Madison School District School Board Secretary. She has also held the position the Treasurer and Trustee during her 9.5 year service to the Board. Nancy says she has committed nearly a decade of service to the board because she wishes to be a good steward for the District and to help with its continual growth in order to prepare students for an ever-changing world.

"I am very proud of our school system being in the top 1% of the state academically and all that we have accomplished to make our school district very attractive to Schools of Choice families. We have great staff which helps to develop great students" says Nancy.

Nancy says her goals for the district include updates to the building's infrastructure; modernizing the older sections of the schools. She is also committed to seeing the District maintain a healthy Fund Balance and to remain in the top 1% of the state academically.

Nancy is a graduate of Troy High School and holds degrees from Oakland Community College, Spring Arbor University and Western Michigan University. She was a Corrections Officer for 13 years and is currently employed by Adrian Public Schools Head Start as a Family Support Coordinator. She is married to Madison alumnus Eric Roback and they have one son, Seth, who graduated from Madison in 2013. In her spare time she enjoys to play golf.

If you would like to contact Nancy, you may do so by emailing NancyRoback@gmail.com.



Natasha Manchester has served as a Madison School District School Board Trustee for the past three years as a way to make a difference and to give back to the Madison community. She is a 1997 graduate of Madison High School and her daughter, Justice, is a senior this year.

A graduate of Jackson College, Natasha holds an AAS-Business and Accounting degree and is employed by the Farm Bureau Insurance-Licensed ISSR as a Resident Producer. When she is not at work or busy with her School Board responsibilities, Natasha enjoys spending time with her family, watching movies, and camping.

When asked what she likes about our schools, Natasha says, "I love that the Madison Family is a group of people within our community who come from all walks of life but have a common goal: to ensure our children get the very best education. I feel that the hard work from our teachers, staff, coaches, parents, and community members sets us apart from other districts. There is a place for everyone at Madison!"

Natasha hopes to continue to bring new and improved technology and educational programs to our district. She would also like to see that our facilities get the repairs and improvements that they need. If you have any questions or would like to talk to Natasha about her goals for Madison School District, you may do so by emailing Tasha.Manchester@gmail.com.

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

—William Butler Yeats



Dana Pink is a Trustee on the Madison School District Board of Education. Dana says the dedicated staff of Madison Schools inspires her with their commitment and sincere enjoyment in working with students. She says their dedication makes her proud to be a part of the Madison Family. A six year member of the Board, Dana says she serves the district in an effort to create a safe educational environment to promote and improve student achievement.

Dana is a graduate of Farmington Harrison High School and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Western Michigan University. She is also certified in Organizational Development. Dana has worked in varying capacities with the Boys & Girls Club for nearly 30 years. She is currently the Director of Organizational Development for Boys and Girls Clubs of America. Dana enjoys golfing, biking, and visiting Lake Michigan in her free time.

Please feel free to contact Dana at dpink@bgca.org if you have any questions or suggestions for the Board.

2016 Board of Education Meetings

February 15
June 20
October 17

March 21
July 18
November 21

April 18
August 15
December 19

May 16
September 19

thank
you!



Ruben Villegas is a seven year member of the Madison School District School Board. He currently serves in the position of Trustee. Ruben is a 1988 Madison High School graduate and is proud to share that his entire immediate family attended Madison and his three children are also Madison Trojans. Ruben holds an Associate's Degree in Applied Science Computer Networking from Jackson Community College and is currently employed by Kesy Metal Technologies in Hudson. In his free time, Ruben enjoys fishing, music, sports, and visiting the casino.

Ruben says he dedicates his time to the Board of Education to continue to be an active part of the Madison School District and to help to make decisions that will make our schools the best they can be for our students. He is happy to see that the district continues to grow and improve with each passing year.

Ruben is excited to move forward with plans discussed at the fall School Board Stakeholder Workshop that support student achievement, facilities/maintenance, educational opportunities and fiscal responsibility, community and stakeholder engagement, student leadership and involvement, and enrollment management. His goal is to make decisions focused on the needs of all students. If you would like to discuss these plans or have other ideas for opportunities for our students, please feel free to contact Ruben at bigruben_1@yahoo.com.

If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people.

—Chinese proverb



Pictured are: Andrew Thacker, Hayden VanValkenberg, Greg Carson, Kayla Wohlgamuth, Charity DeAngelis, Abigail Watters, Erica Lynn, Micheal Round, Lauren Turner, Chloe Cowen, Ariella Riggs, Ariana Fernandez, Chelsea Short, Tara Kurichh, Katie Hamann, Lilia Nichols, Courtney Grof, and Logan Villerot

Madison Community Invited to Silent Dinner

Madison ASL students joined Mrs. Shirk for a silent event at Culver's recently. Students are encouraged to enjoy dinner together with "voices off" to practice their signing skills. Deaf, hearing, and hard of hearing members of the Madison Family are always welcome to attend our events. Mark your calendars; our next silent event will be **Thursday, February 18th from 5:30-6:30 p.m.** The location has not yet been determined, but will be shared on the morning announcements, and the ASL class website at <http://shirkasl.weebly.com>.



NHS Senior of the Month

The Madison High School Chapter of the National Honor Society proudly recognizes Connor Jesse as the Senior of the Month for February. Connor currently holds a 3.9074 grade point average. He was a Voice of Democracy speech contest participant.

Connor is active in extracurricular activities such as the GSA, Theatre, Writing Club, and Slam Poetry Team. Upon graduation, Connor intends to study business at Adrian College.

Connor is the son of Beth and Scott Jessee.

January Homework Heroes

The staff of Madison Middle School is proud to name the following students as Homework Heroes for January:

6th Grade – Harley Russell

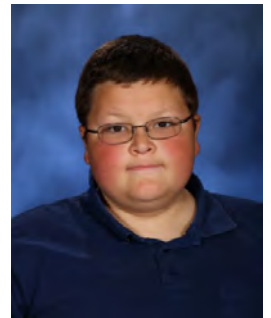
“Harley is a friend to everyone and always has a big, bright smile on her face. Harley is involved with the play *Aladdin* which keeps her very busy after the school day is over; however, Harley is able to balance her time, maintain her grades, and keep up with all assignments. She is a friend and helper in the classroom and has a big heart and outgoing personality.” ~ Mrs. Hayes

7th grade – Tyler Houghteling

“Tyler Houghteling is a homework hero. He is a fantastic student who takes his education seriously. Tyler always makes a fantastic effort to make sure his homework is done correctly and turned in when it is due. Tyler is a reliable active learner that makes his teachers proud. I see great things in Tyler’s future.” ~ Mr. Vernier

8th grade – Dante Collins

“Dante is always prepared for class and goes beyond the basic requirements of assignments. I have been impressed at his literature journals that are insightful and well thought out.” ~ Mrs. Harsh



Students of the Month

Madison High School faculty recognizes the students below as Students of the Month for January.

From left to right:

Erica Lynn, World Languages

Theodora Baker-Wallerstein, Technology

Thai Johnson, Science

Chloe Cowen, Math

Kiarah Horn, History

Nicole Olden, English

5th Grade Students Experience Outdoor Education at Camp Michindoh

The week of January 25, Madison's 5th grade students learned about animals, learned about the Underground Railroad, did craft projects, sang songs, were challenged by team building activities, and got to know themselves, and their classmates, a little better. The annual trip to Camp Michindoh is always one filled with accomplishments, smiles, and new friendships. Thank you to the fifth grade teaching team and our high school volunteer cabin leaders for making 5th grade camp a special experience for our students!





Mr. Rowe, Mr. Frederick, and Mr. Pechaitis were good sports as student after student hit them with pies as a reward for their efforts in the elementary fall fundraiser. Money raised from the annual Otis Spunkmyer Cookie Dough fundraiser supports the student activity fund.



On January 22, Kim Dusseau from the LISD TECH Center met with 8th grade students to discuss the educational opportunities available to them as they begin scheduling for high school. They will visit the TECH Center on February 9.

5th grade students reenacted Colonial Williamsburg to learn more about attending school, going to church, holding a job, and building a community in colonial times. Through a series of hands-on stations, they sang songs, played games, practiced sewing and penmanship, operated a cobbler's shop and explored history.

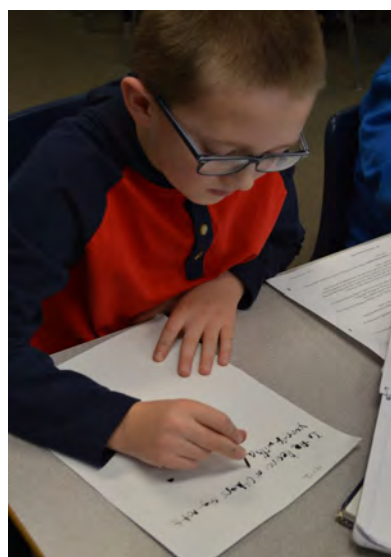


Top right: The girls practiced homemaking skills at the Dame School.

Top far right: Elijah Baker dresses the part of a colonist in his coonskin cap.



Bottom right: Henry Fredrick learns how to write with a "quill pen and inkwell" (toothpick and paint).



Bottom far right: This group learns about the lives of slaves during this time period and sang a call and response song.





Middle School students who displayed good homework habits and arrived to class on time were rewarded with a Fun Friday afternoon on January 8. Students were able to select from a variety of activities including, computer games, crafts, board games, movies, snack making, and dodgeball.

Madison Middle School presented Disney's Aladdin, Jr. on January 29, 30, and 31. The students put in a magical show filled with romance, mayhem, adventure, and friendship. The show was directed by Mrs. Cyndee Risner with assistance from Mrs. Erin Pifer. Congrats to our performing arts students!



Mrs. Dina Payne's kindergarten students celebrated their 100th day of school by dressing as if they were 100 years old. They completed several activities relating to the number 100, including math games and stories. They were excited to show off their dress up clothes on this fun day!



Madison School District partnered with other area schools and businesses to collect water to be sent to the residents of Flint. Ms. Mandy Horwath's Advanced English 10 students initiated campaign to encourage high school students to donate water based on their study of rhetoric and persuasive speeches. They researched the details of the water crisis and created posters, planned a pajama day, and encouraged students and staff members to support their cause. "This was an excellent opportunity for students to apply their knowledge and see the difference that their efforts made in this grass roots humanitarian effort." says Horwath.

February Events



There is always something happening within the Madison School District! Please know that dates/times are subject to change. Please visit www.madisonk12.us for the most up-to-date events calendar.

Monday, February 1

V Comp. Cheer @ Clinton
MS GB vs. Britton Deerfield
Fresh. BB @ Onsted

Tuesday, February 2

MES Student Council Meeting
Fresh, BB @ Whitmore Lake
JV / V BB @ Whitmore Lake
JV / V GB vs. Whitmore Lake
V Wrestling @ Vandercook Lake
PATT Meeting

Wednesday, February 3

MHS Red Cross Blood Drive
MMS Character Under Construction
MS GB vs. Summerfield
Athletic Boosters Meeting
MYAC Meeting

Thursday, February 4

MS Wrestling @ Onsted
JV / V GB @ Morenci
Love & Logic Parenting Class

Friday, February 5

MMS 2016 Chicago Deposit Due
1st Grade Breakfast
Popcorn Friday
Release Time Bible Study
V Bowling vs. Clinton
JV / V BB vs. Morenci
Winter Homecoming

Saturday, February 6

V Comp. Cheer @ Mason
MS Wrestling @ Manchester
V Wrestling - Madison Invite
P.A.T.T. Daddy Daughter Dance
MHS Winterfest Dance

Monday, February 8

MMS/MHS Book Fair
JV / V Comp. Cheer @ Morenci
MES SUPERFAN Shootout
2nd Grade Music Program
Fresh. BB vs. Lenawee Christian

Tuesday, February 9

MMS/MHS Book Fair
MES SUPERFAN Shootout
8th Grade to LISD TECH Center
JV / V BB @ Whiteford
JV / V GB vs. Whiteford
1st Grade Music Program

Wednesday, February 10

- SPRING COUNT DAY -
MMS/MHS Book Fair
MES SUPERFAN Shootout
V Wrestling @ Team Districts
MS GB @ Whitmore Lake

Thursday, February 11

MMS/MHS Book Fair
MS Wrestling @ Dundee
JV / V GB @ Sand Creek
Love & Logic Parenting Class

Friday, February 12

MMS/MHS Book Fair
Early Release Day—Staff PD
V. Bowling vs. Whitmore Lake
JV / V BB vs. Sand Creek

Saturday, February 13

V Comp. Cheer @ Delta Plex
V Wrestling @ Individual Districts

Sunday, February 14

Valentine's Day

Monday, February 15

No School - Midwinter Break
Presidents' Day
MS GB @ Britton Deerfield
Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, February 16

BSY No School - Intercession
JV / V BB @ Blissfield

Wednesday, February 17

BSY No School - Intercession
MMS Character Under Construction
V Wrestling @ Team Regionals
MS GB vs. Sand Creek

Thursday, February 18

BSY No School - Intercession
MS Wrestling @ Hillsdale
Love & Logic Parenting Class

Friday, February 19

BSY No School - Intercession
JV / V BB @ Britton Deerfield

Saturday, February 20

MS Wrestling @ LCAA / TCC Tourn.
V Wrestling @ Individual Regionals
V Comp. Cheer @ MHSAA Districts

Monday, February 22

MS GB @ Britton Deerfield
MES School Improvement Meeting
V Bowling vs. Britton Deerfield

Tuesday, February 23

5th Grade Music Assembly
JV GB @ Manchester
JV / V BB @ Summerfield
JV / V GB @ Manchester

Wednesday, February 24

MMS Character Under Construction

Thursday, February 25

JV / V GB @ Onsted
Soup & Story Night
Love & Logic Parenting Class

Friday, February 26

1st Grade Breakfast
V Bowling @ MHSAA Regionals
V Wrestling @ Team Finals
MES Popcorn Friday

Saturday, February 27

V Bowling @ MHSAA Regionals
V Wrestling @ Team Finals
V Comp. Cheer @ MHSAA Regionals
JV / V GB @ MHSAA Districts
Band & Orchestra MSBOA Rehearsal

Monday, February 29

Leap Day



FEBRUARY 2016

MADISON SCHOOL

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Pizza Corn Fruit Choice	2 Nachos Deluxe Refried Beans Fruit Choice	3 Chili Dog Smiley Fries Fruit Choice	4 Sweet & Sour Chicken Broccoli mix Fruit Choice	5 Pasta W/ Italian Meat Sauce Salad Fruit Choice
8 Bosco Sticks Marinara Sauce Green Beans Fruit Choice	9 Beef Taco W/ Lettuce & Tomato Rice Fruit Choice	10 Pasta W/ Italian Meat Sauce Salad Fruit Choice	11 Cheeseburger Baked Fries Fruit Choice	12 Chicken Fries Peas & Carrots Fruit Choice
15 NO SCHOOL	16 Pizza Corn Fruit Choice	17 Chicken Sandwich (Grilled or Breaded) Scallop Potatoes Fruit Choice	18 Crispitos Refried Beans Fruit Choice	19 Spaghetti W/G Garlic Bread Salad Fruit Choice
22 Bosco Sticks Marinara Sauce Green Beans Fruit Choice	23 French Toast Sausage Hash Brown Fruit Choice	24 Corn Dogs Baked Beans Fruit Choice	25 Chili Cheese Fries Fruit Choice	26 Chicken & Gravy Bowl Carrots Fruit Choice
29 Pizza Corn Fruit Choice				

News
High School and
Middle School
Breakfast \$1.00
Reduced .30

Lunch \$2.30
Reduced .40

Served Daily
1% White OR Fat Free
Chocolate milk, Orange Juice
or Apple Juice

Also serving- rotating daily:

Fruit varieties include:
Peaches, Pears

**Strawberries, Grapes,
Mandarin Oranges, Fruit
Cocktail, Bananas, and
Pineapple**

**Vegetable varieties
include: Romaine/Spinach
Salad, Cucumber, Broccoli,
Mixed Salad, Carrots,
Cauliflower,**

Cherry Tomatoes.

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Keep in Touch

We strive to provide clear and consistent communication to our students, families, and community members. Information is distributed to our stakeholders in a variety of ways:

District Website: www.madisonk12.us

District Newsletter: Distributed on the first of each month via email and published electronically at: www.madisonk12.us/newsletters. Please email Rebecca.Schwan@madisonk12.us to be added to our mailing list.

MHS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/madisonhs.trojans>

MMS Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MadisonTrojansMS?ref=hl>

MES Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Madison-Elementary-School/106479146082369>

District Twitter: https://www.twitter.com/Trojans_Madison

Home Access Center: View your students' grades and attendance record online by [clicking here](#).

Blackboard Alert Phone/Text Messages: Please be sure that your contact information is current in the school office(s).

Madison School District

Phone Numbers

High School Office	517-263-0742
Middle School Office	517-263-0743
Elementary School Office	517-263-0744
Superintendent's Office	517-265-1840
Athletic Office	517-265-1842
High School Counseling Office	517-265-1843
Dining Room	517-265-1844
Transportation Office	517-265-1845

Fax Numbers

High School & Athletic Office	517-265-1848
Elementary Office	517-265-1849
Superintendent's Office	517-265-5635



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Notice of Non-discrimination Policy It is the policy of Madison School District that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits or, be subjected to discrimination during any program or activity or in employment. Any questions concerning the Title XI of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, along with inquiries related to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap, should be directed to the Superintendent of Schools at Madison School District, 3498 Treat Highway Adrian, MI 49221. Phone 517-265-1840.

Public Act 198 of 1971, the Mandatory Special Education Act, establishes the right to handicapped person(s) from birth through the age of 25, to equal opportunity within the public schools. THIS MEANS THAT HANDICAPPED CHILDREN DO NOT NEED TO WAIT UNTIL THEY ARE SCHOOL AGE TO BENEFIT FROM SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES. It is important that help be obtained for the handicapped at the earliest possible age. In the State of Michigan, this help is free and is available through your public schools. A team of educational specialists evaluate the child to determine the type and degree of disability and the best kind of program placement. This evaluation often includes medical specialists. Pre-primary Special Education services are available for: Emotionally Impaired, Mentally Impaired, Physically & Otherwise Health Impaired (POHI), Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired, Speech & Language Impaired, Specific Learning Disabled. If you know a pre-school child who may benefit from these services contact the Board of Education at 517-265-1840.

Madison Board of Education

We Believe - The foundation of education is a partnership that includes two-way communication between family, school, and community – the Madison Family. Stakeholders are invited and encouraged to become involved in our schools. Please contact us if you have questions, concerns, suggestions, or would like to volunteer. Our strength and our success is in our relationships with members of our community.



Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. on the third Monday of the month and are held in the Board Room located inside the Middle School.

M. Kyle Ehinger, President
Julie Ramos, Vice President
Nancy Roback, Secretary
Mark Swinehart, Treasurer
Natasha Manchester, Trustee
Dana Pink, Trustee
Ruben Villegas, Trustee

Upcoming Meetings

February 15

March 21

April 18



Madison Elementary

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Linda J. Kaufman
Early Elementary Principal

Nathan T. Pechaitis
Upper Elementary Principal

Eric M. Frederick
Intervention Specialist



Madison Middle

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Brad G. Anschuetz
Middle School Principal

Mindy A. Jordan
Middle School Assistant Principal



Madison High

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Kristin E. Thomas
High School Principal

Nicholaus P. Whiteley
High School Assistant Principal



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