

MADISON MESSENGER

MADISON SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2015

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From the Superintendent's Desk:

New Fundraiser & Student Activity Procedures

As you know, parents are often asked to pay for their child's various school-related activities, and there are also a number of fundraising opportunities that occur for District-sponsored athletic teams and organizations throughout the school year.

If you manage a student group or organization that is hosting a fundraiser, or plan a student activity which requires a fee, we are asking that you please complete a Fundraiser Request and Approval Form. This form is available on the district website at www.madisonk12.us. (Click on Resources, then Applications and Forms). A copy is also available later in this newsletter. Please submit this form to the building principal at least five days prior to the activity taking place. A second form is to be submitted once the activity is complete; reporting all funds collected.

Online Payment Option

Many families have asked me about a more efficient and effective way of the District accepting payment, such as through an e-checks, debit card, or credit card to pay for student activities. The District has implemented a new online student fee payment option for parents and students, called **My School Bucks**.

E-checks, debit cards, and credit cards will be accepted through a secure online portal. This will enable parents to pay for events/activities online 24 hours a day. Select activities will begin to pilot this option throughout fall. Cash and checks will continue to be accepted, but we encourage you to try this new method of payment. Please visit www.myschoolbucks.com to register your account. More information, including detailed instructions for setting up your account, is available on the website (Click on My School Bucks under Quick Links at the bottom of the page).

We are aiming to have a more streamlined accounting process for student activities and fundraisers and appreciate your assistance in meeting this goal.

Thank you,
Ryan Rowe, Superintendent

New! Pay for your child's activities online
at www.myschoolbucks.com.



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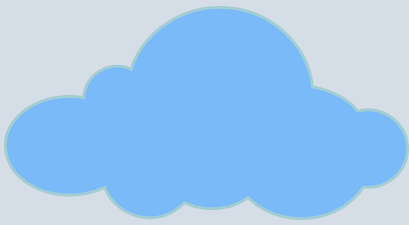
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Fog Delays

The humid days of early fall can sometimes cause fog to develop overnight. On foggy mornings the areas traveled by our busses are checked at approximately 5:45 a.m. If it is determined that our bus drivers do not have the necessary visibility to safely operate our busses the start of school will be delayed.

School delays will be announced through our BLACKBOARD CONNECT Notification Service, on the Adrian radio stations and on television stations 11, 13, & 24 in Toledo.

Fog is often rather tricky. It can be a problem in one part of the county, but not in others. It also can arrive and/or leave rather abruptly. While it is our preference to make decisions on fog delay by 6:00 a.m. those decisions sometimes have to be changed as the weather changes. Please continue to listen to the news media noted above on foggy mornings to obtain the most up to date information.

As always, we expect parents to make the final decision about the safety of their children attending school on inclement weather days. Children will not be penalized if their parent decides to delay their arrival to school on a foggy morning when school is not delayed.



Student Count Day

**Wednesday,
October 7**

Please see that your child is in attendance and that all emergency contact cards and required registration information is submitted PRIOR TO this date.

Contact your child's school office if you have questions.



Red Cross Blood Drive - Help Save a Life

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, November 18 from 8:15 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Please help us reach our goal of 55 units to qualify for scholarship earnings. If possible, we ask that you Lora.Fisher@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0741 ext. 210.

A Message to Our Visitors:

If you are a visitor to Madison Schools please be sure to stop in to the office to sign in and obtain your visitor's pass. If you wish to meet with a member of our staff concerning your child's progress, please call to schedule an appointment at a mutually convenient time.

HELLO
my name is

We ask that special deliveries to school such as birthday treats, forgotten items, etc. be left in the school office for pick-up by your student when there is a break in instruction.

These policies help keep our school safe and minimize classroom disruptions. We thank you for understanding.

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.

Box Tops and Volunteers Needed

Please take a few moments as you prepare meals for your family to clip the Box Tops for Education logos from any product packaging. It is an easy way to raise money for our Middle School and Elementary P.A.T.T. program. A list of participating Box Tops for Education products can be found online at www.boxtopsforeducation.com.

P.A.T.T. will hold a Box Tops counting day on Friday, October 23 in the Board Room. If you are able to lend a little of your time toward this project, please contact Stephanie.Fetter@madisonk12.us.



Popcorn Fridays

Fifth grade students will once again host monthly Popcorn Fridays to help offset the costs of Outdoor Education. For \$1.00 students may choose to purchase a large bag of popcorn.

This year's Popcorn Fridays are scheduled for:

October 9
November 13
December 11
January 15
February 5
February 26
March 18
April 15
May 13
June 3



Thank you to Mr. Gary Nowak and our volunteer students for taking orders and delivering popcorn! Parents concerned about food allergies may read the ingredient list for our popcorn online at: www.madisonk12.us/news/popcorn-ingredients/

Lending Library

Madison Family members are welcome to borrow from the Madison Elementary Lending Library. There are a variety of books available for toddlers through adults. The Lending Library is currently located in the Family Resource Room, but will soon be relocated to the Elementary Library. Look for more information to come. Contact Tricia.Fowler@madisonk12.us if you are looking for a specific title.



Lenawee's Child Play Groups

Play groups offer a variety of learning and social experiences for children and their parents. Math and language activities, art, dramatic play, manipulatives, everyday living activities, and circle time are offered. Also available are activity bags that can be checked out for two weeks at a time.

Play groups are open to children ages birth through 5 and their parents. They meet Mondays-Thursdays from 8:45-10:30 a.m. A full schedule of events may be found at www.madisonk12.us under the Resources tab.



Kindergarten Readiness Program

Four and five year old children will have the opportunity to practice all the skills needed for kindergarten in this weekly drop-in group. Children will learn classroom procedures, review academics, and prepare for kindergarten interactions. Class time is from 9:00-10:30 a.m.

If you have questions about Lenawee's Child Play Groups or Kindergarten Readiness, email Tricia.Fowler@madisonk12.us or

New Elementary Arrival and Dismissal Procedures and the Importance of Developing Student Independence and Teaching Bell to Bell

At the start of the 2015-16 school year, the state of Michigan required a change in the amount of instructional time our students receive. In order to comply, we added 10 minutes to our school day by changing our starting time from 8:40 to 8:30 this year. With change comes challenges. The hallways have been very congested, making hallway travel difficult, especially for our youngest students. In effort to ease this issue, we are adding the following procedures to our daily routine:

- 8:05 a.m. Main entrance doors will open. Students may enter the building where they may either go to breakfast or sit in front of their locker until classrooms open for the day.
- 8:20–8:21 a.m. Music will play for one minute over the PA to alert students, parents, and faculty that classroom doors will open in five minutes, and students should be ready to enter the classrooms at 8:25.
- 8:24–8:25 a.m. Music will play for one minute over the PA to alert students and faculty that in one minute, students may enter the classroom, and teachers will be in the hallway to welcome and monitor students.

At this time, parents should exit the building unless they have signed in to volunteer, or have a scheduled meeting with school personnel. After 8:24 parents will no longer be able to walk their students to class. If a student needs assistance getting to class, school personnel will be happy to help them.


- 8:29 – 8:30 a.m. Music will play for one minute, alerting students that they need to report to class. Students arriving to class after the music stops at 8:30 will be marked tardy. Students arriving to class after 8:40 will be marked absent for ½ day.
- 3:30 – 3:31 p.m. Music will play to signal dismissal. At this time, students will leave class with their teachers and exit the building. Students leaving before 3:30 will be marked tardy for the afternoon. Students leaving before 3:20 will be marked absent for ½ day.
- 3:39 – 3:41 p.m. Music will play for two minutes, alerting students that they have two minutes to get to the bus, as busses leave at approximately 3:41.

Madison Elementary School, with your cooperation, will enable your children to develop his or her full potential to be successful in an ever-changing world. You, as parents, can help reduce congestion in the hallways by exiting the building by 8:25. In addition, we strive to teach our students to be independent and to gain more independence with each passing year. Parents can help with this, too. After 8:25, please exit the building unless you need assistance in the office. Reasons would include scheduling meetings with school personnel, attending a scheduled event or meeting, signing in or out your child, or dropping off something in the office.

Dismissal is also a very busy time of the day at Madison Elementary. We have over 800 students exiting the building in a short period of time. It is our wish that the dismissal process goes as smoothly and safely as possible. We ask for your cooperation in the following areas:

- Submit any transportation changes to the office by no later than 2:00 p.m. This allows us time to get a message to your child and his/her teacher before dismissal time. Transportation changes will not be accepted after 2:00 p.m.
- We also ask that you wait for your child in the grass area by the parking lot. Please do not wait by the bus exit doors or by the east side of the building.
- When your child leaves the class line, teachers ask them to wave or give them a “high five” so that they are aware that the child’s parent has arrived.

Thank you for your assistance with this. We certainly appreciate working together with you to provide the safest and highest quality education with the fewest possible disruptions.



**PLEASE!!
NOTE**

No School for All Students

Friday, October 16

Staff Professional Development Day

BSY INTERCESSION

**No School for
BSY Students**

October 19-23

MS/HS Early Release Day

Thursday, October 15

HS dismissed at 11:00 a.m.

MS dismissed at 11:00 a.m.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

MS & HS Conferences:

12:00-7:00 p.m.

***Parents, students and teachers
are a winning combination!***

Questions to Ask at Conferences:

- Is my child performing at grade level?
- What are my child's strengths and weaknesses in his/her core subjects?
- How can I help my child to work independently and stay organized?
- How much time should my son/daughter be spending on homework?
- Are all of my child's assignments complete?
- Which courses should my child take to prepare for college?
- Does my child have special learning needs?
- What can we do at home to support classroom learning?
- Does my child have close friends?
- What is the best way to keep in touch with you?

Suggestions from www.michigan.gov/mde



BSY October Academic Enrichment Opportunity (AEO)

Throughout this school year the District is offering four (4) tuition-based Academic Enrichment Opportunities (AEOs) for BSY Families.

Registration for the 2nd AEO of the year will open on Monday, October 5 and closes Friday, October 16. Registration is \$100 for the first child and \$40 for each additional sibling.

Forms will be sent home with your student and are also available on the website.

Theme:

Autumn Activities in Michigan

Monday, October 19

Toledo Zoo

Tuesday, October 20

U of M Stadium Tour &
U of M Museum of Natural History

Wednesday, October 21

Thursday, October 22

Students will begin a year-long project at Hidden Lake Gardens

These optional programs provide an opportunity for students to stay engaged throughout the intercession breaks. We understand that some families prefer to use this time for rest and relaxation. Please make the decision to attend an AEO based on what is best for your family situation.

If you have questions, please contact the elementary office at 517-263-0744.

Outdoor Education

5th Grade Camp Information

Madison Elementary 5th grade students participate in Outdoor Education at Camp Michindoh each year. It is a highlight of their school year and is a wonderful experience where many cherished memories are made.

This year, students will attend Camp Michindoh from January 25-29, 2016. The cost of camp remains at \$150, which may be paid in installments. Payments of \$50 each are due on the following dates:

Friday, October 2
Friday, November 6
Friday, December 4

Parents are encouraged to attend an informational meeting on Monday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary Café.

Information regarding the trip is also available on the website at www.madisonk12.us. Scroll down to Quick Links. The medical form, packing list, and parent information packet may be found there.



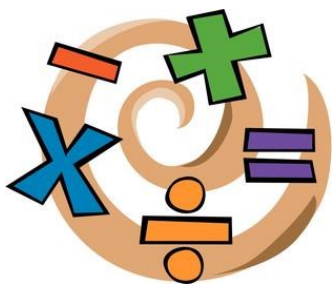
8th Grade Washington, D.C. Informational Meeting Planned

There is an informational meeting for 8th graders and their parents regarding the DC trip on Thursday, October 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the MS/HS Dining Room. Very valuable information will be shared during this meeting so please make your best efforts to attend.

This year's trip will take place from Thursday, October 22 through Sunday October 25. Final payments for students attending the trip are now past due.

Please contact Danyelle.Matthews@madisonk12.us if you have any questions about the meeting or the trip.

Information is also available at www.madisonk12.us.



Elementary Math Night

Madison Elementary School invites you to attend Math Night on Tuesday, October 13 from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

This exciting night of free hands-on activities is designed to explore math concepts in an engaging and fun ways. A variety of stations will be set up in the Commons and surrounding hallways.

Bring the whole family for a night of learning and sharing!

Fall Family Fun Night

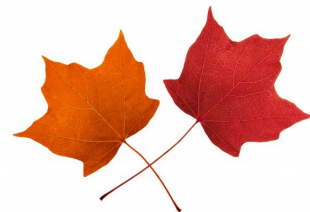
Celebrate fall with P.A.T.T.!

Thursday, October 29
6:00-7:30 p.m.

Elementary Gymnasium
\$3.00 admission

Ages 4 and under are FREE!

Enjoy games, raffles, prizes,
fun and friends!



MS/HS Media Center News

The Book Fair is coming! Middle and high school students may shop from the Scholastic Book Fair Monday-Thursday, October 12-15. There is always a large selection of fiction and non-fiction books, posters, and school supplies.

Books for children of all ages may also be purchased online at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/madisonmiddleschool5>. The online fair is open from October 7-20.

A portion of the Book Fair sales goes directly to support the purchase of new books and materials for the MS/HS Media Center.

Speaking of new books, if there are any books that you would like to see in our library, please let Mrs. Fetter know. There is a list in the Media Center for student requests. Thank you for helping us keep our collection up to date!



Middle School Parents: Stay Informed with Facebook

Parents of 7th and 8th grade students are encouraged to join a Facebook group set up specifically to assist with communicating with the grade level teachers.

Daily assignments, reminders, and announcements will be shared as a way for you to stay on top of your child's school work and activities.

The groups are closed, therefore parents will need to request to be added. Once approved you will be able to access all the photos and other information shared by teachers.



7th Grade Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1005625966134702/>

8th Grade Group:

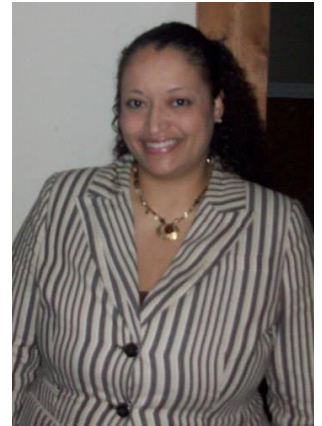
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MMS8th/>

Welcome Mrs. Anders!

Mrs. Annette Anders has joined the staff of Madison Middle School as a long-term substitute for Mrs. Kathryn VanValkenburg who is on maternity leave. She was born and raised in Adrian, Michigan and attended Madison Schools for seven years.

Upon graduation, Mrs. Anders attended Glen Oaks Community College in Centreville, Michigan where she enjoyed playing basketball for 2 years and earned her Associate's Degree. She transferred to Siena Heights University to earn her Bachelor's Degree. Later, she returned to school at the University of North Carolina where she studied Teacher Education for grades 7-12.

She is the mother of four children and enjoys reading, spending time outdoors and playing almost all sports. She is very excited to be serving within the Madison School District where she enjoyed so much time as a young person. Mrs. Anders will remain on staff as a paraprofessional upon Mrs. VanValkenburg's return.



Silent Dinner a Success

Former and current American Sign Language ASL students had a great time at their "Silent Taco Bell" interaction activity on Wednesday, September 23. The silent dinner activities allow students to practice their ASL skills outside the classroom environment. ASL is taught by Mrs. Susan Shirk.

ACT Testing Dates

| Test Date | Registration Deadline |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| October 24 | September 18 |
| December 12 | November 6 |
| April 9 | March 4 |
| June 11 | May 6 |

College Night Open House

Adrian College will host this year's College Night on Wednesday, October 7 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity to talk with college, trade school, or military representatives and begin thinking about your future after high school.

Save the Date!

Financial Aid Meeting

On Wednesday, December 9 Kevin Kucera, from Eastern Michigan University, will share important information regarding the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This information is extremely important if your son/daughter is planning on attending any type of post-secondary school.

Seniors and their parents are highly encouraged to attend. The meeting begins at 6:00 p.m. and will be held in the Performing Arts Center.



SAT Testing Dates

| Test Date | Reg. Deadline | Late Registration Deadline |
|-----------|---------------|--|
| March 5 | February 5 | February 19 (mail) February 23 (phone/online) |
| May 7 | April 8 | April 22 (mail) April 26 (phone/online) |
| June 4 | May 5 | May 20 (mail) May 25 (phone/online) |

College Applications - Don't Wait!

Seniors, if you are planning to attend college you should complete and submit your applications online or to the counseling office as soon as possible. If you apply online, please let us know so that we can send your transcript and ACT scores. If you need help applying to college, or have any questions, please stop by anytime.

Madison High School Counseling Office

517-265-1843

Jen Stelzer, Counselor - Jen.Stelzer@madisonk12.us

Lisa Gentry, Secretary - Lisa.Gentry@madisonk12.us

Denny Kohlman, Secretary - Denny.Kohlman@madisonk12.us



Seniors Alexis Brant and Katlyn Teague work in the lab.

PTLW Biomedical Sciences Pathway Expands to Third Course

Madison High School has implemented the third course in the PTLW (Project Lead the Way) Biomedical Sciences pathway for the 2015-2016 academic school year. The Medical Interventions (MI) course, taught by Mrs. Katie McGormley, involves advanced study of human medicine, research processes and an introduction to bio-informatics, Immunology, Surgery, Genetics, Pharmacology, Medical Devices, and Diagnostics.

and engineering design in the development of interventions of the future. Recently, students conducted an **ELISA** (enzyme-linked immunosorbant assay) lab to investigate an outbreak on a college campus. Students analyzed 9 patient cerebrospinal fluid samples to test for the presence of bacterial meningitis.

The course emphasizes preventative interventions as well as the important role of scientific thinking

College Athletics Recruiting Meeting

Students who are interested in playing collegiate level athletics and their parents are invited to hear from Mr. Jack Renkens of Recruiting Realities.

Mr. Renkens is a nationally known speaker who will address the following topics:

- Realistic Levels of Play
- NCAA Eligibility Center
- How College Coaches Recruit
- Clubs/Camps/Showcases
- How to Market Yourself

Adrian High School Auditorium

**Monday, October 5, 2015 at
7:00 p.m.**

You can view more information
online at:

www.recruitingrealities.com

Competitive Cheer Try-Outs Scheduled

Middle School Competitive Cheer is open to 7th and 8th grade girls and will begin on Monday, October 26. High School Competitive Cheer try-outs will begin Monday, November 9.

Girls **MUST** have a physical prior to the first day of try-outs in order to participate. Forms are available in the school offices and online. Listen for more information to be shared on the announcements as we get closer to try-outs.

If you have questions about Trojan Competitive Cheer, please contact Coach Emily Gafford at 517-263-0742 ext. 202 or Emily.Gafford@madisonk12.us.



Learn to Skate at Adrian College



If the cooler weather has you dreaming of gliding across the ice on a pair of skates, Arrington Ice Arena has the classes for you! Classes are available for skaters of all ages. The eight week sessions are \$115 for the Basics/Adults class and \$95 for Snowplows and include lessons, skate rental, and one hour of open skate following class.

Contact Bonnie Lynch at Arrington Ice Arena, 517-265-5161 ext. 4558 or

BLynch@adrian.edu to register.

More information is online at:

www.adrian.edu/icearena



Congratulations to Robert Warwick and Sammy Jo Birdwell and their horses Frankie and Max for earning enough points throughout the Equestrian season to qualify for regional competition. The pair competed in 48 classes and earned 11 first titles and numerous other awards. They will travel to Mason to compete on October 3 and 4.



The girls golf team is enjoying tremendous success in its first year as a varsity sport. The ladies recently broke the school record by shooting a combined 170 at the Hudson Jamboree. They were also featured in a recent article in the Daily Telegram. Read the full article here:

<http://www.lenconnect.com/article/20150922/SPORTS/150929816/0/SEARCH>

News from the Elementary Art Room

With the school year in full swing and art projects underway, we would like to thank those of you who have made donations of recycled materials to the art room. The holidays are just around the corner, and we ask that you send any unused or old Christmas cards in to the art room for upcoming projects.

Plans are underway for the next Recycled Fashion Show. This event is always determined by student interest. If enough students are interested in participating the Recycled Fashion Show will be held on Earth Day, April 22, 2016.

A sign up sheet and permission slips will be available in the elementary art room.

Our main guidelines are: The art has to be made from something recycled and you can wear it. Parents are encouraged to assist since all the work is done at home. Keep an eye out for more information as we get closer to the event.

In the meantime, our young artists have been making lots of connections to the world around them. Remember to ask them questions about their art to reinforce what they are learning.



Lenawee County Art & Poetry Contest Now Accepting Entries

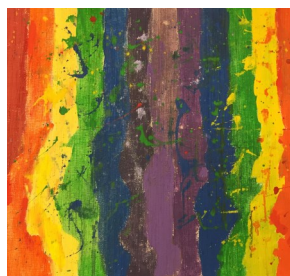
All Lenawee County students in grades K-12 are encouraged to participate in the Housing Help of Lenawee's 9th Annual Poetry and Drawing Contest. The winning poems and drawings will be used to produce the 2016 Homelessness Awareness Calendar that will be published this fall.

Entries must be submitted by Friday, October 16 to be considered. Each also requires an entry form which is available in each building office or from any art teacher.

Questions may be directed to Khristine Henson-Jones at Khris_LEAHC@frontier.com.

*“Every child is an artist;
the problem is staying an artist
when you grow up.”
~Pablo Picasso*

Art-A-Licious Features Student Artwork



A number of Madison art students displayed their creations and talents at the Art-A-Licious Fine Arts Festival in Downtown Adrian on September 18 and 19. Elementary and middle school students created rainbow banners that lined the streets. MHS senior, Bailey Jeffers shared five pieces of her art to display with other high school artists. The performing arts were also celebrated with Madison students taking to the stage to share their musical and acting talents. Still others were spotted participating in many of the hands-on demonstrations throughout the two-day event.

Madison High School Fall Musical Announced

The Madison High School Performing Arts Club will present *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* November 12, 13, and 15 in the Madison Performing Arts Center under the direction of Mrs. Erin Pifer. The show centers on a fictional spelling bee set in Putnam Valley Middle School. Six quirky adolescents compete in the Bee, run by three equally unique adults. The cast of the show is as follows:

Chip Tolentino: Corbin Johns

Logainne Schwatzrandgrubenniere: Alex Daly

Leaf Coneybear: Sarah Hamilton

William Barfee/Olive's Dad: Anthony Contreras

Marcy Park: Bri Scott

Olive Ostrovsky: Elena Ramirez-Gorski

Rona Lisa Peretti: Hannah Cheng

Vice Principal Douglas Panch: Ben Kangas

Marge Mahoney: Lydia Steiner

Olive's Mom: Kayla Hemphill

Jesus: Joseph Taulton

Janitor: Isiah Wyatt-
Young

Laura Mora, Monica Graham, CaSaundra Taulton, Kayla Hemphill, Joseph Taulton, Bayli Borton, Abby Linger, McKenna Young, Katie Hamann, and Haylie Blohm round out the cast.



Look for ticket information in the next edition of the *Madison Messenger*.

Halloween Concert

Music lovers of all ages are invited to attend a Spooktacular Band and Orchestra Concert on 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 29.

Listen as the 7th-12th grade orchestras and 8th-12th grade bands under the direction of Mrs. Marcie Zeckner, perform a variety of eerie music selections just in time for Halloween.

Bring the whole family to the Performing Arts Center for an evening of haunting music...if you dare!



MYAC Basketball Registration Opening Soon

The Madison Youth Athletic Council (MYAC) is offering basketball for girls and boys in grades 1, 2, 5, and 6. Registration opens October 5 and closes October 23. Registration forms may be found on the MYAC page of the website or in the Elementary and Middle School offices. Limited to first 25 students per team.

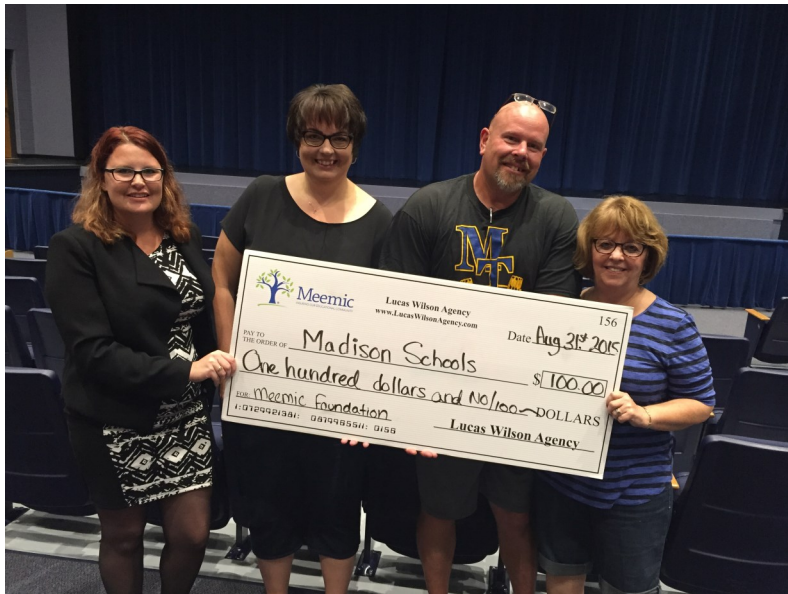


Coaches are also needed for all grade levels. Please contact MYAC@madisonk12.us for more information or to volunteer.

JOURNALISM JCLUB

EXTRA! EXTRA! Seeking all middle school students who enjoy writing and digging for a good story - The Journalism Club meets every Wednesday after school from 2:45-3:30 p.m. in room 12. Led by Mrs. Amanda Harsh, you will research, write, and take pictures for our online newspaper. Come see what it's all about!

Read the students' work online at: www.kidblog.org/madisonmadness



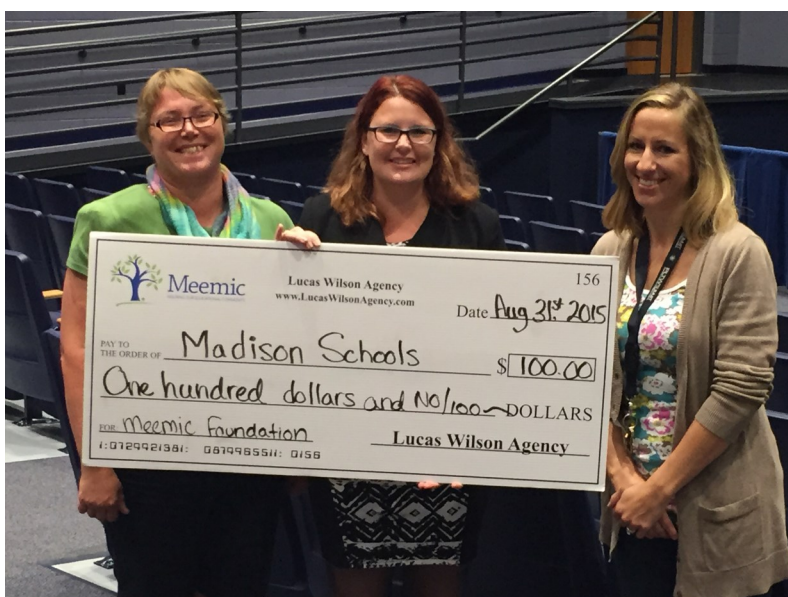
Meemic Foundation Provides Classroom Grants

A heartfelt thank you goes to the Lucas Wilson Agency and the Meemic Foundation for providing grant funds to several teachers in Madison School District to use for classroom supplies.

Jessica Wilson presented checks to the following individuals:

Tanya Rahman, Madison Elementary
 Bill Wilharms, Madison High
 Linda Hooker, Madison High
 Tricia Moyer-Fowler, Madison Elementary
 Katie McGormley, Madison Middle

The Meemic Foundation offers grants for a variety of classroom projects each year. We are grateful for their continued support.



thank
you!

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Thank You, JC Penney and Adopt a Classroom

Madison High School is excited to announce that the American Sign Language (ASL) classroom was recently adopted by JC Penney to receive funds of up to \$100 to shop for an item that would be beneficial to the classroom. Mrs. Susan Shirk used the funds to purchase an adjustable height, swivel stool for her classes.

Mrs. Shirk stated, "This stool is a welcomed addition to our classroom. It allows for the students and me to see one another more easily. In a primarily "voices off" learning environment, clear vision is important. It's wonderful to be supported by our community partners."

The Adopt a Classroom program is sponsored through JC Penney and the JC Penney Cares program.



Madison School District
School-Sponsored Fundraising Activity, Student Fee, or Fundraiser Request and Approval Form (5830 F1)

Conducting activities that require a student fee or facilitating a fundraiser within the Madison School District is governed by Board Policy 5830. This form must be completed and submitted to the principal for approval prior to the start of any activity.

STUDENT FEE OR FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY REQUEST

NAME OF GROUP/ORGANIZATION/CLASS: _____ BUILDING: _____
Advisor/Representative: _____

TYPE OF STUDENT FEE OR FUNDRAISER:

- ☐ To enhance student learning
- ☐ To benefit the school
- ☐ To benefit a school organization (PATT, MYAC, etc.)
- ☐ Team, club, class, program, etc.
- ☐ Passive (Box Tops, Book Fair, etc.)

DESCRIBE:

SUPERVISING/RESPONSIBLE PARTIES (Name of administrator, staff, or other district employee who will supervise and be responsible for the activity in all aspects)

Activity Supervisor: _____ District Position: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____
Person managing funds: _____ Position: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

SUPERVISING/RESPONSIBLE PARTY: _____

Name of administrator, staff, or other district employee who will supervise and be responsible for the activity in all aspects

District Position: _____
Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

DATES AND TIMES OF ACTIVITY

START: _____
END: _____

DESCRIPTION OF THE FUNDRAISER:

On reverse, include as much information as possible, including how students/others will collect funds, the location of the activity, admission fees, who will provide supervision, merchandise/service to be sold, vendors, etc.)

FINANCIAL ESTIMATES

Gross amount of money to be collected: \$ _____
Expenses for merchandise/services to be sold: \$ (_____)
Other anticipated expenses:
Describe: \$ (_____)
Other anticipated expenses (i.e. transportation): \$ _____
Expected Net Funds Collected: \$ _____

AGREEMENT

As the named supervising/responsible party, I have read and understand the District's policy (Policy 5830) and will carry out this activity according to said policy as well as to all associated accounting requirements.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____

Principal's Signature: _____ Superintendent's Signature: _____
Date: _____ Date: _____

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). See details below.

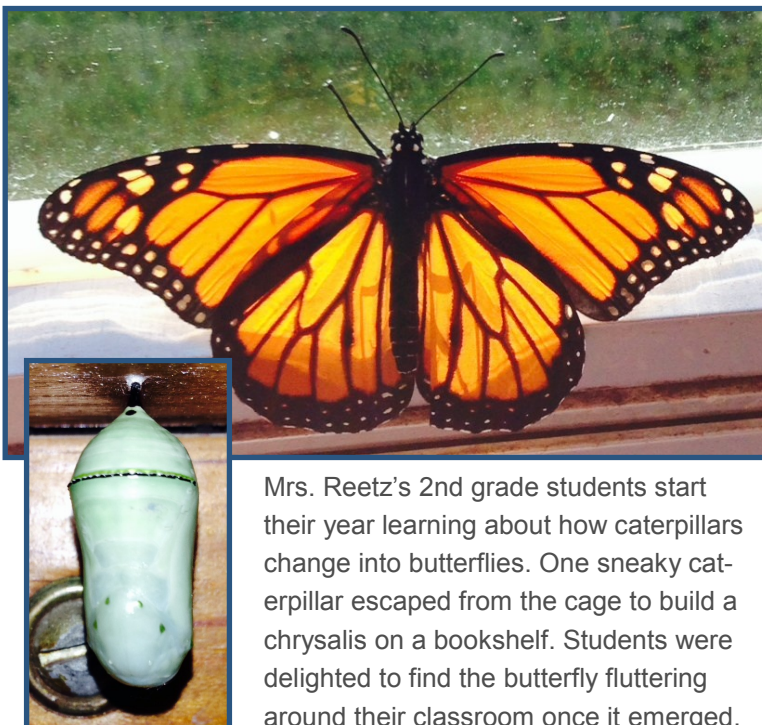
Madison School District Phone Numbers

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| High School Office | 517-263-0742 |
| Middle School Office | 517-263-0743 |
| Elementary School Office | 517-263-0744 |
| Superintendent's Office | 517-265-1840 |

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| 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 |



Mrs. Reetz's 2nd grade students start their year learning about how caterpillars change into butterflies. One sneaky caterpillar escaped from the cage to build a chrysalis on a bookshelf. Students were delighted to find the butterfly fluttering around their classroom once it emerged.

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.

HELP WANTED

Looking for a way to get more involved in Madison Schools? We welcome members of the Madison Family to assist in the education of our students through volunteering in our district. A list of organizations and volunteer opportunities is listed below. Look for more opportunities to be announced throughout the school year.

Madison Gleaner Arbor Seeks Members

WHO WE ARE....we are members of Gleaner Life Insurance Society joining together 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.

Turn Recyclable Materials into Art Projects

The Elementary art room is accepting egg cartons, toilet paper tubes, and paper plates for art projects at this time. Newspapers and coffee cans are **not needed** at this time. Volunteers for project preparation (work may be done at home) and guest speakers are always welcome. Contact Richard.SanMiguel@madisonk12.us if you are able to donate your time.

Calling All Madison Alumni

You are already a part of the history of Madison, become a part of the future by joining the Alumni Association. Send your first and last (maiden) name, graduation year, address, email address, and phone number to: alumni@madisonk12.us to be added to the contact list. Look for more ways to get involved throughout the 2015-16 school year!

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

Be a part of the planning for fun elementary school events like the daddy/daughter dance, mom & son fun night, craft night, and the carnival. P.A.T.T. meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Elementary Library. New members are welcome any time.

Madison F.A.N. Committee

The Facilities for Athletic Needs Committee supports student athletes by providing safe and adequate training facilities for student-athletes. F.A.N. plans the annual Celebration Night and Golf Outing. Contact Brad.Anschuetz@madisonk12.us to become involved.

Madison Youth Athletic Council (MYAC)

Share your love of sports with the next generation of Trojan Athletes by supporting MYAC. Meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 in the Board Room. Coaches, volunteers, and fresh ideas always needed! MYAC@madisonk12.us

Box Tops for Education

Madison Elementary and Madison Middle School accept Box Tops to purchase much-needed playground equipment and technology for our schools. Please snip tops from packaging and send them into your child's classroom. Individuals willing to count and submit Box Tops are also appreciated!

S.T.A.R.S (Striving to Achieve Reading Success)

Parents & Grandparents, S.T.A.R.S. is seeking mentors for the 2015-16 school year. Provide one-on-one reading support to a student. 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. For more information contact Brenda.Betz@madisonk12.us or call 517-263-0744 ext. 328

Madison Athletic Boosters

Love popcorn? Enjoy watching the Trojans play on Friday night? Volunteer in the concessions stand! 6-7 people needed per home football game. Contact Tricia.Fowler@madisonk12.us or 517-263-0744 ext. 231 if you can help.



We thank you for the gifts of your time and talents!

October 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.

Thursday, October 1

MES Cookie Dough Orders Due
JV FB vs. Whiteford

Friday, October 2

5th Grade Camp Payment Due
Varsity FB @ Whiteford

Saturday, October 3

Varsity VB @ Concord
JV VB @ Sand Creek
Golf @ Pre-Regionals

Monday, October 5

MES Title I Parent Meetings
Varsity Golf @ County Tournament
XC Madison Invitational
Varsity VB @ Sand Creek
MS VB @ Sand Creek

Tuesday, October 6

Lenawee County Band Festival
MES Student Council Meeting
P.A.T.T. Meeting

Wednesday, October 7

Fall Count Day

MS FB @ Manchester (7th)
Athletic Boosters Meeting
MYAC Meeting
College Open House Night

Thursday, October 8

Golf @ MHSAA Regionals
Varsity VB @ Whiteford
JV FB @ Whitmore Lake
Washington, DC Parent Meeting

Friday, October 9

MES 4th Grade Breakfast
MES Popcorn Friday
MES Release Time Bible Study
Varsity FB vs. Whitmore Lake

Saturday, October 10

Varsity VB Homer Tournament
XC @ Hudson Invitational

Monday, October 12

MS/HS Book Fair Begins
MES School Improvement Mtg.
MS VB vs. Britton Deerfield

Tuesday, October 13

MHS School Improvement Mtg.

Wednesday, October 14

MMS Character/Construction
MS FB @ Summerfield
MS VB vs. Summerfield

Thursday, October 15

MS/HS Early Release
MS/HS Conferences
Gleaner Arbor Meeting
MS School Improvement Mtg.
Varsity VB vs. Summerfield
JV FB @ Summerfield

Friday, October 16

No School – Staff PD Day
Golf MHSAA Finals
Varsity FB vs. Summerfield

Saturday, October 17

Golf MHSAA Finals
MS VB @ Sand Creek
Varsity VB County Tournaments
XC County Meet

Monday, October 19

BSY Intercession—No School
MS VB @ Morenci

Tuesday, October 20

BSY Intercession—No School
MHS Faculty Meeting
XC League Finals

Wednesday, October 21

BSY Intercession—No School
MS FB vs. Morenci (8th)
MS VB @ Whiteford

Thursday, October 22

BSY Intercession—No School
8th Grade Washington, DC Trip
Varsity VB vs. Clinton
JV FB vs. Morenci

Friday, October 23

BSY Intercession—No School
8th Grade Washington, DC Trip
Varsity FB @ Morenci

Saturday, October 24

8th Grade Washington, DC Trip
XC Larry Steeb Invitational
Varsity VB @ LCS Tournament
JV VB @ All County Tourn.

Sunday, October 25

8th Grade Washington, DC Trip

Monday, October 26

College Application Week
XC @ Sand Creek Invite
Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, October 27

MES Faculty Meeting
Varsity VB @ Whitmore Lake

Wednesday, October 28

MES Picture Retake Day
MMS Character/Construction

Thursday, October 29

MES Fall Family Fun Night
Halloween Band Concert

Friday, October 30

XC MHSAA Regionals
TLC Reality Fair

Saturday, October 31

Happy Halloween

OCTOBER 2015

MADISON SCHOOLS



| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 Bosco Sticks Marinara Sauce Green Beans Fruit Choice | 6 French Toast Sausage Hash Brown Fruit Choice | 7 Chicken Sandwich (Grilled or Breaded) Carrots Fruit Choice | 1 Chili Cheese Fries Fruit Choice | 2 Chicken Tenders Scalloped Potato Dinner Roll Fruit Choice |
| 12 Pizza Corn Fruit Choice | 13 Sweet & Sour Chicken Broccoli mix Fruit Choice | 14 Spaghetti w/IG Breadstick Salad Fruit Choice | 8 Nachos Deluxe Refried Beans Fruit Choice | 9 Chili Dog Smiley Fries Fruit Choice |
| 19 Bosco Sticks Marinara Sauce Green Beans Fruit Choice | 20 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Fruit Choice | 21 Crispitos Refried Beans Fruit Choice | 15 BBQ Rib Baked Fries Fruit Choice | 16 NO SCHOOL |
| 26 Pizza Corn Fruit Choice | 27 Beef Taco Refried Beans Fruit Choice | 28 Chicken & Gravy Bowl Carrots Fruit Choice | 22 Cheeseburger Baked Fries Fruit Choice | 23 Corn Dogs Carrots Fruit Choice |
| | | | 29 Pasta w/ Italian Meat Sauce Salad Fruit Choice | 30 Chili Cheese Fries 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: Cucumber,

Broccoli, Mixed Salad,

Carrots, Cauliflower,

Cherry Tomatoes.

USDA is an equal opportunity
employer.

Stay Connected.

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.

Madison Board of Education



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

October 26

November 16

December 21



Madison Elementary

P: 517-263-0744 | F: 517-265-1849

Linda J. Kaufman
Early Elementary Principal

Nathan T. Pechaitis
Upper Elementary Principal

Eric M. Frederick
Intervention Specialist



Madison Middle

P: 517-263-0743

Brad G. Anschuetz
Middle School Principal

Mindy A. Jordan
Middle School Assistant Principal



Madison High

P: 517-263-0742 | F: 517-265-1848

Kristin E. Thomas
High School Principal

Nicholaus P. Whiteley
High School Assistant Principal



Superintendent's Office

P: 517-265-1840 | F: 517-265-5635

Ryan L. Rowe
Superintendent

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