



SCHOOL SPIRIT

November 2019

Hello everyone,

As we begin the month of November we have some really fantastic things going on in our school district. Going through classrooms each week it is easy to see students engaged in learning in each school building. Students are discussing important topics with the teacher and each other. They are researching information to create opinions and better understand multiple topics. They are constantly using technology to collaborate and explore new ideas and concepts. Exciting times in the Monticello Community School District!!! Outside of the classroom, our students are engaged in a lot of activities such as speech, drama, music, and sports. It never ceases to amaze me how busy our students are each day.



Over the next few weeks we will host Parent-Teacher Conferences in each school. Please bring your child to these conferences and include them in the dialogue with the teacher. When students are active participants in Parent-Teacher Conferences they learn to be more assertive and better understand how to be advocates for their own education. Please plan on attending Parent-Teacher Conferences on November 5 or 7. It is always nice to hear about the success and challenges your child may have from the professionals who spend over seven hours a day with them. Remember the goal of Parent-Teacher Conferences is a partnership between home and school to educate your child in the best way possible.

During the month of November our construction project will continue to move forward. One big question I have heard a lot more recently is, "Are they still on time with the new building?" The answer is YES. The project is still on time and over the next few weeks they will be finishing the metal on the outside of the high school, adding metal to the roof areas of the new building, and installing the prefabricated concrete walls in various areas around the building. It is really starting to take shape.

The softball fields are really coming along. In the sports complex at the west diamond we are completing our dugouts, clubhouse, and press box. We are also finishing the fieldwork and the concrete work around the west diamond. It is really looking great. We are not able to install our stadium seats until spring, however they tell us they will be installed before our first game. At the Shannon site the new field is nearly complete. Some fencing has to be completed along with some fieldwork. We will still be adding sidewalks and a restroom to the concession stand however the field should be ready for game play next spring/summer.

One last topic, from time to time you may have a concern with something going on at the school. I encourage you to go directly to the source to resolve the concern. I have found that many times in the past a problem can easily be resolved with a conversation directed to the appropriate person. Following that conversation if you are not satisfied with a resolution, please then take it to the next level, such as a principal or athletic director. I want you to feel comfortable enough to ask real questions if you have real concerns in our school district. The Monticello Community School District is a wonderful school district and good communication will help keep it that way.

As always if you have any questions please feel free to send me an email or give me a call at anytime. Thank you for your continued support of the Monticello Community School District.

Sincerely,

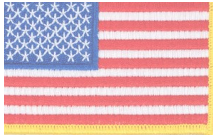
Brian Jaeger



American Education Week is November 18-22, 2019

Americans nationwide will join the National Education Association in raising awareness about the need to provide every child with a quality public education. The celebration highlights the importance of bringing together educators, parents, students, and communities in a unified effort to build great public schools. Please join us as we thank all of our educators, staff, parents, students, and community. Thanks for all you do to make the Monticello Community School District what it is today!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Veterans Day Breakfast

All veterans are invited to Monticello High School on Veterans Day, Monday, November 11th. Breakfast for the veterans will be served from 7:15-8:00 am. Following breakfast, veterans are invited to join the student body in the auditorium for an assembly featuring speaker Vietnam veteran Jack Aker. After the assembly vets are encouraged to help put flags in each of the high school classrooms. Each flag was purchased by the Monticello School Foundation.

Parent Teacher Conferences

for all schools:

November 5 from 4-8pm
 &
November 7
 Elementary from 2:30-8pm &
 MS & HS from 4-8pm


Please come meet your child's teachers and see their progress!

Mark your Calendars!

Carpenter Elementary Winter Concert

Monday, December 2

High School Gym
6:00 PM



The Monticello High School Student Council will be hosting a blood drive on Thursday, November 21 from 8am-4pm at the Monticello Berndes Center. Please donate and show your support.


Thanks! - MHS Student Council



Monticello Board of Education Corner...

School Board Election—November 5—Get out and VOTE!

The 2019 School Board Election is Tuesday, November 5.




Get out and VOTE in your school board election on Tuesday, November 5. Students Need YOU to Vote

Polls Open: 7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Find Your Polling Place:
<https://sos.iowa.gov/elections>

Two seats are up for election on the Monticello Board of Education.


Seeking seats this year are:
Amanda Brenneman
John Schlarman

More election information is available on the Jones County Election website.



Monticello High School

presents the musical



Performances

November 6 at 4:00 pm
November 8 & 9 at 7:00 pm
 High School Auditorium

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and students.

Into the Woods follows a Baker and his wife, who wish to have a child; Cinderella, who wishes to attend the King's Festival; and Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk. When the Baker and his wife learn that they cannot have a child because of a Witch's curse, the two set off on a journey to break the curse. Everyone's wish is granted, but the consequences of their actions return to haunt them later with disastrous results.

Panther Players Fundraiser

The Panther Player's fundraiser will take place on Thursday, November 14. Panther Player members will be canvassing the town asking for a \$3 donation. They will be hitting the streets starting at 5:30 pm and will be done at 7:00 pm. If a Panther Player doesn't make it to your house and you would still like to donate all donations can be sent to Kim Carlson at the Monticello High School. The Panther Players thank you in advance for your support!

Coats for Kids

Coats will be distributed on Thursday, November 7 from 2:30-6:00pm in the Carpenter Gym.

Kid-sized coats will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.




THANK YOU TO:

- **Karen Burrow** for the donation of clothing to the HS Drama Department.
- **Bob Abeling** for his donation to the High School & Middle School Nurses Office.
- **ORBIS** for their donation to Shannon Elementary, Carpenter Elementary, and the Middle School.
- **Iowa State Extension Office, JREC/Kirkwood, and the City of Monticello** for use of their facilities for our Professional Development Day on October 19.
- **Norman Dean** for his donation to the Middle School.
- **The Jones County Dairy Producers** for their donation of string cheese for all of our elementary students.
- **The University of Dubuque** for their donation of nearly \$2,000 for our Carpenter Elementary students to attend "A Christmas Carol".
- **Denise Arduser** for donating several jackets to the Middle School.
- **Cindy Bagge** for the donation of t-shirts to Carpenter Elementary.
- **Jenny Claussen** for the donation of books to the Middle School Library.
- **Lisa Sperflage** for the donation to the Middle School Nurse's Office.
- **Sara Hanssen** for her donation of boots & gloves to the Middle School.
- **Janaan Kraus** for the donation of coats to the Middle School.
- **New Life Community Church Youth Group** for the cupcakes for our staff.

High School Counselor's Office News



Freshmen Explore Local Career Opportunities

As part of Manufacturing Month, freshmen students recently toured a local manufacturing company in town. ORBIS Corporation hosted 68 students and adult chaperones on a tour of their facilities and speakers who discussed job conditions, pay, and technical and maintenance positions within the company. Students even left with a souvenir of their products! We appreciate ORBIS investing their time and energy into helping high school students consider future career opportunities. Polo Custom Products will be sponsoring another group of freshmen early in November.

High School Students Interested in NCAA Sports

Here is a quick overview of the NCAA Eligibility Center process to help guide student-athletes and ensure they are ready for college sports. Students are responsible for maintaining their academics throughout high school. These tips will help keep them on track for meeting academic initial-eligibility standards:

Grade 9

- Students work with their counselor to ensure they take appropriate NCAA core courses.

Grade 10

- Students register with the NCAA Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org.

Grade 11

- Students work with their school counselor to ensure they will graduate on time with the required number of NCAA core courses.
- Students take the ACT or SAT and submit their scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center using code 9999.
- Students ask their counselor to upload their official transcript to the NCAA Eligibility Center at the end of the year.

Grade 12

- Students complete last NCAA core courses.
- Students take the ACT or SAT again, if necessary, and submit their scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center using code 9999.
- Students should apply to the school of their choosing and confirm they have been accepted.
- Students request final amateurism certification beginning April 1 before enrolling in college in the fall.
- Students ask their counselor to upload their final official transcript with proof of graduation to the NCAA Eligibility Center.

Recycling Fundraiser



Funds raised from recycling items benefits:
Monticello Middle School 7th Grade

You Can Drop Off The Following to the
Monticello Middle School:
(They Don't Have To Be Working)

- Cell Phones
- Calculators
- Ipods/MP3 players
- Video Game Consoles & Handhelds
- Video Games
- Ebook Readers
- Mobile Hotspots
- iPads/Tablets
- Video Cameras
- Inkjet Cartridges
- GPS devices

Looking For a Way to Support the Monticello School District Foundation?

What better way than to buy a brick on the "Wall of Support" or a spot on the "Perpetual Tree" located at the High School auditorium. Or any donation can be sent to:

Monticello CSD Foundation
PO Box 2
Monticello, IA 52310



For more information, please go to our website at www.monticello.k12.ia.us, click on "District" then click on "MCSD" Foundation.

Seniors!

Seniors: Senior pictures and baby pictures for yearbook are due **DECEMBER 18!**

Because these are new guidelines, any senior pictures already taken this year that fall outside the new guidelines will be considered on a case-by-case basis and would need administrator approval to be used. Thank you!



GUIDELINES FOR SENIOR PHOTOS FOR YEARBOOK:

- Head and shoulders only.
- Vertical format.
- Clothing should conform to school dress code.
- No inappropriate poses.
- No other people, animals, objects/props in photograph.
- No sunglasses.
- Color or B/W are acceptable.
- Submit digitally or write name on back if submitting a hard copy.
- Must be received by deadline (*before winter break of senior year*)

Photos can be emailed to jane.woodhouse@monticello.k12.ia.us or can be turned in to the HS office window.

Baby photos are optional but must also be submitted by deadline if you wish one. Copies are preferred to original heirloom photos. Baby pictures not submitted digitally should be labeled on the back with first and last names.

Thank you!

CELEBRATIONS!

- Congratulations to the Football team on making the playoffs! Panthers will travel to West Liberty for their first round state playoff game Friday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m. Both teams are 6-3.
- Congratulations to the Boys & Girls XC teams on qualifying for State! Both teams were champions at the state qualifying meet in Dike, and will run Nov. 2 in Fort Dodge.
- Congratulations to the Volleyball team on winning their first match of Regional play and moving on to the 2nd round.
- Congratulations to Destiny Wall for being accepted to the 2019 Iowa Opus Honor Choir. She is one of 180 5th & 6th grade students from across the state to participate. This is her 2nd year in making the Honor Choir.
- Congratulations to the following volleyball players on their all conference awards: Elite Team –Jordan Kuper, North All Conference Team – DeLainey Fellingner, Tori McDonald, and Emma Hynick.
- Congratulations to Jordan Kuper on being KCRG's Athlete of the Week!
- Congratulations to Panther Dancers Ally Bartachek & Anisa Krouse for making the All Iowa Honor Dance Team!
- Congratulations to Jordan Kuper on reaching her 1,000th career kill on September 12, 2019!
- Congratulations to Quarterback Jeff Carlson for his long gain on the final regulation possession to Justin Recker and for being named the KWWL Lincoln Savings Bank Friday Night Heroes Play of the Week!
- Congratulations to Tanya Manternach, HS Science Teacher, on being awarded the Jones County Soil & Water Conservation District 2019 Conservation Teacher of the Year!




2019 Certified Enrollment

Each year our District has to certify our enrollment to the Iowa Department of Education by October 15. See below for enrollment data for this year and last year.

Description	2018	2019	Change
Resident Public Students Attending your District	908.10	906.00	-2.10
Resident Public Students Attending another Iowa Public School District	50.50	45.00	-5.50
Non Public Shared Time and CPI Students Dual Enrolled for District Classes	3.71	2.82	-0.89
Non Public Shared Time and CPI Students Dual Enrolled for PSEO Classes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Residential Facility Students Enrolled for District Classes	0.00	0.00	0.00
Actual Enrollment	962.31	953.82	-8.49
Non-Resident Public Students Attending your District	86.00	77.00	-9
PK Students Attending your Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program	27.50	30.00	2.50
Total School Age Students Provided Instructional Programs/Services by your District	997.81	985.82	-11.99
Limited English Proficient Weighting	3.52	1.76	-1.76

November Breakfast Menu

				
Milk served with meal.				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All menu's are subject to change				1
				Cereal Popart Fruit Fruit juice
4	5	6	7	8
Ham, egg & cheese croissant	Cereal bar	Pancake on a stick	Cinnamon roll	
Fruit	Mozzarella cheese stick	Fruit	String cheese	
Fruit juice	Fruit	Fruit juice	Fruit	NO SCHOOL
	Fruit juice		Fruit juice	
11	12	13	14	15
Waffles w/ syrup	Donut	Breakfast pizza	Chocolate chip muffin	Cereal
Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	String cheese	Popart
Fruit juice	Fruit juice	Fruit juice	Fruit	Fruit
			Fruit juice	Fruit juice
18	19	20	21	22
Rainbow yogurt	Stuffed bagel	Long John	Pancake on a stick	Cereal
Granola	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Popart
Fruit	Fruit juice	Fruit juice	Fruit juice	Fruit
Fruit juice				Fruit juice
25	26	27	28	29
Mini donuts	Cereal bar			
Fruit	Mozzarella cheese stick		<i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i>	
Fruit juice	Fruit	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
	Fruit juice			



Food Service



November Lunch Menu

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Choose a salad as an alternate lunch daily (HS & MS only). Milk served with meal.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>All menu's are subject to change</i>				1
				Pizza crunchers Lettuce w/ Romaine Glazed carrots Fresh fruit
4	5	6	7	8
Chicken nuggets	BBQ pork/bun	Mini corn dogs	Maid Rite/bun	
Curly fries	Corn	Baby carrots / dip	Seasoned potato cubes	
Peaches	Baked beans	Apple slices	Vegetable medley	NO SCHOOL
WG Roll & butter	Pears	Carnival Cookie	Mixed fruit	
11	12	13	14	15
BBQ Rib/bun	Popcorn chicken	Pasta w/ meat sauce	Breaded chicken/bun	Cheese quesadilla
Waffle fries	Seasoned rice	Lettuce salad	Emoji Icon bites	Corn
Baked beans	Stir Fry Vegetables	Mandarin oranges	Steamed broccoli w/ cheese	Baby carrots w/ dip
Orange slices	Pears	Garlic toast	Watermelon	Fresh apple sauce
18	19	20	21	22
Sausage egg & cheese sandwich	Hot dog/bun	Salisbury steak	Chili w/ crackers	Sausage pizza
Potato wedges	Baked beans	Mashed potatoes & gravy	String cheese	Lettuce w/ spinach
Cucumbers & cherry tomatoes	French fries	Peaches	Apple sauce	Broccoli/cauliflower
Strawberries & bananas	Apple slices	Roll & butter	Cinnamon roll	Pineapple / mandarin oranges
25	26	27	28	29
Deli sandwich	Chicken strips			
WG chips	Mashed potatoes & gravy		<i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i>	
Baby carrots/dip	Blushing pears	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
Side Kick Frozen/juice	Roll & butter			
Chocolate Chip Cookie				

November 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Football Playoffs @ W. Liberty-7pm 92nd National FFA Convention & Expo—Indianapolis, IN	2 92nd National FFA Convention & Expo—Indianapolis, IN State XC @ Ft. Dodge
4 Day 1 7/8 GBB vs N. Cedar—4:15	5 Day 2  School Board Election—polls open 7am-8pm Parent/Teacher Conferences @ all schools—4-8pm ICAN -- FASFA Completion for parents & seniors. By appointment thru Mrs. Stenger	6 Day 3 Fall Musical—4:00pm 	7 Day 4 2:00 Early Dismissal—MS/HS Prof. Dev Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences 2:30-8:00pm MS/HS Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00pm	8 Day 5 No School—Teacher Collaboration Day 7/8 GBB @ Cascade-4:00 Fall Musical—7:00pm 	9 Day 6 Fall Musical—7:00pm 
11 Day 5 Veteran's Day Breakfast & Program—HS Commons-7-9am 7/8 Wrestling @ W. Liberty-4:15 XC Banquet—HS Com-	12 Day 6 FFA Fall Festival-Youth Development Center-6:00	13 Day 1 Legislative Forum—District Office-6:00pm	14 Day 2 7 GBB vs Bellevue-4:15 8 GBB @ Bellevue-4:15 Panther Players Fund-raiser 'Beggar's Night' – 5:30	15 Day 3 7-12 Conference Band Festival @ HS-7:00pm	16 Day 4 FFA Discovery, 212, & 360 Conferences @ FFA Enrichment Center
18 Day 4 7 GBB vs Anamosa-4:15 8 GBB @ Anamosa-4:15 7/8 Wrestling @ Bellevue-4:15	19 Day 5 7 GBB vs Northeast-4:15 8 GBB @ Northeast-4:15 	20 Day 6 2:00 Early Dismissal—Prof. Dev	21 Day 1 All-State Band Music Festival 7/8 GBB @ Camanche-4:15 7/8 Wrestling @ HS Gym-4:15  @ Berndes Ctr, 8am-4pm	22 Day 2 All-State Band Music Festival 	23 Day 3 All-State Band Music Festival JV BBB Scrimmage vs Springfield-6:00 V BBB Scrimmage vs Springfield-7:30
25 Day 3 7/8 GBB @ N. Cedar-Stanwood-4:15 7/8 Wrestling @ W. Branch-4:15 Board Meeting—6:00 PM	26 Day 4 JV/V GBB vs Camanche-6:00 V G/B Bowling @ Marion-CR Bowling-3:15 	27 Day 5 No School Thanksgiving Break	28 Day 6 No School Thanksgiving Break 	29 Day 7 No School Thanksgiving Break JV/V BBB Scrimmage @ Waterloo West-10:00	30 Day 8 No School

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