

MVMS Newsletter

Our Mission: To ensure all of our students achieve high levels of learning required to succeed as a 21st century learner

Homecoming Activities Next Week

Homecoming is upon us already. At the middle school we'll have daily dress up themes, two home volleyball games, and team day. Here are the themes for each day next week:

Monday - Disney Day. Dress up as your favorite Disney character

Tuesday - Scrabble Day. Wear a letter on your shirt so you can make words with your friends.

Wednesday - Western Day. The world needs more cowboys and cowgirls

Thursday - Favorite Character Day. Dress up as your favorite character

Friday - Buff Pride. It's great to be a Buffalo

Volleyball will be at home on Tuesday against Kemmerer and Thursday against Rock Springs. 8th grade will play at the K-8 building and 7th grade will play at the high school in the practice gym. Come support our girls. Cross Country will run on Wednesday over in Lyman. If you can, come cheer our runners on. We've got a great team putting in the miles.

Middle school athletes will participate with elementary students Friday afternoon during our team day events.



Have questions?

Please contact Mr. Van Dusen via email at vandusent@uinta4.com

Contact Sala Condos via email at condoss@uinta4.com

No School Days

Sept. 18

Oct. 16

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FACEBOOK

Uinta County School District #4

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TWITTER

MVMS_Buffs

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INSTAGRAM

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Other Important Information

A message from the Town of MV and the MV Police Department

The Town and the MV Police Department are requesting that parents and older siblings utilize our two parents loops at the front of the school for drop off and pick up of K-8 students both in the morning and afternoon. With our buses exiting onto Willow drive, and with all of our students who walk and ride bikes, it is becoming a safety hazard with all of the additional traffic. They will not be allowing people to park and wait for students on Willow Drive.

Attendance and Illnesses

We've been getting some questions on what to do if a student is sick and can't come to school. Here's some information that will help answers your questions.

Q: If my student is sick, do I need to call the office?

A: Yes, please call Sala and let her know. If it's something that will keep the student out for a day, she can communicate with teachers in case they have some homework that needs to go home to be completed right away. Most classes are able to upload assignments and homework to the Google Classroom platform so your student can still access materials from home to help stay caught up.

Q: If my student is home sick, can they hop on live instruction and be counted as present instead of absent?

A: Right now the answer is no. Our classroom based virtual education system is still in its beginning stages. It would be difficult for teachers to know if the absent student is able to access the class via virtual cameras because depending on how sick they are.

When we began the move to classroom based virtual education, our focus was on being able to continue quality instruction in case of a shutdown similar to last spring. Then we realized there would be real advantages if an entire class or even an individual student were forced to stay at home because of an isolation or quarantine order. If a student is sick, we want them to first focus on resting and getting better so they can return to school. They will still be able to access materials through Google Classroom, which will allow them to stay caught up. There may be a time in the future where we can facilitate students accessing live instruction when they are home with a short, general illness.

Q: My student failed the health screen because they have one symptom. How do I know if and when they can come to school?

A: Nurse's message:

We appreciate everyone doing the health screening each morning and wearing masks. We are aware that sometimes it is difficult to know if your child can come to school if they don't pass the screening. Not everyone who doesn't pass the screening needs to stay home from school. Please call the school nurse if your child doesn't pass the screening and you feel like they may be able to attend school or if you are just unsure if you should send your child. Thanks, Chris and Dallas

CHROMEBOOKS - CHECK YOUR BACKPACKS!

We've been able to assign a Chromebook to each student to use during the school day as a way to help cut down on devices being shared between students. At the end of the school day, students put them back in the charging cart to recharge overnight. We've had a few accidentally make it home at night. Please double check with your student that they don't accidentally bring one home. What to do if you find one? If it's right after school, give us a call or drop it off so we can charge it overnight. If not, please make sure it safe and not used to help conserve battery life. The next morning we'll put it in the charger to recharge so they can use it during the school day. We do have some extras that students can use just in case their Chromebook battery is very low and needs to charge all day.