



Munhall News

January 27, 2017

Important Dates

Tuesday, January 31

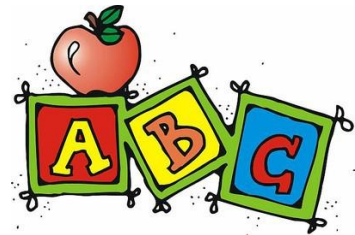
Beginner Orchestra
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Student Council
3:00 PM, Room 201

Wednesday, February 1

Gr. 5 Advanced Orchestra
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

2017-2018 Kindergarten Registration
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM, Munhall School



Thursday, February 2

Band Rehearsal
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Gr. 4 Advanced Orchestra
7:30 AM, Fox Ridge Elementary

Friday, February 3

Gr. 5 Human Growth & Development Presentation

Tuesday, February 7

Beginner Orchestra
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Wednesday, February 8

Gr. 5 Advanced Orchestra
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Thursday, February 9

Band Rehearsal
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Gr. 4 Advanced Orchestra
7:30 AM, Fox Ridge Elementary

Monday, February 13

CUSD #303 Board of Education Meeting
7:00 PM, Administration Building

Tuesday, February 14

Beginner Orchestra
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

Valentine's Day Parties
1:45 PM

Student Council Meeting
3:00 PM, Room 201



From the Principal

Dear Munhall Parents,

Updates on our Professional Learning on January 20th

Last Friday the Munhall staff had a wonderful opportunity to deepen our knowledge and enhance the instruction we put in front of our Munhall students each day. Specifically, we learned strategies to plan and instruct toward clear and narrow teaching points. When planning for instruction and communicating learning expectations with our students, teachers learned to craft their lessons through a What, How, and Why approach. Clearly communicating what students are going to be learning, how they will show proficiency, and why it is important to be proficient in that skill, it will increase the likelihood that students can see and hit the targets we put in front of them.

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be held Wednesday, February 1st from 9:30-2:30. If you know families in the community who have children of Kindergarten age, please help spread the word.

All forms needed for Kindergarten registration can be found on the district website: <http://district.d303.org/enrollment-and-registration>.

Erin's Law Lessons

Erin's Law, named after sexual abuse survivor Erin Merryn, requires public schools to provide a prevention-oriented child sexual abuse program in grades Pre K-12. This year, all schools in District 303 will continue to implement Erin's Law, utilizing the Child Protection Unit of the *Second Step* resource.

Several lessons will be facilitated by Mrs. Rockwell, social worker, and/or Mrs. Smith, school psychologist, along with the classroom teacher. The lessons will address identifying safe and unsafe touch, private body part rules, and learning ways to stay safe. Look for communication from your child's classroom teacher as these lessons approach, so you can be aware.

For more information about Erin's Law, you can access a short video at the link below. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nxPcB8sWBk>

After School Enrichment

Next week marks the beginning of After School Enrichment. Students are extremely excited for the multitude of learning experiences that lie ahead. I appreciate all the hard work and dedication shown by our PTO, parent volunteers, and sponsors/vendors.

Throughout the next two weeks, please send your child to school with a note to indicate a change in PM pick-up plans. For example, if your child is staying for an After School Enrichment event, let your child's classroom teacher know, so we can cross-check with our After School Enrichment class rosters. Therefore, if there are any discrepancies we can solve the misunderstanding early on in the day, as opposed to dismissal.

Academically Talented Placement Tests

Placement tests for our AT identification process will take place the week of February 6th for a select number of 3rd and 5th grade students. All students participating in the AT placement tests should be notified via letter from the D303 Learning and Teaching Department. All letters

should be received by the end of this week. If you have any questions regarding the AT identification process, please feel free to contact me.

Have a great extended weekend!

Jarrod Buxton, Principal

From the Office

- ❖ **NEW!** After School Enrichment begins next week! **Please be sure to send a note with your child to school in the morning** if they are staying for ASE.
- ❖ If your child will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2017, then it is time to register for Kindergarten. Kindergarten Registration will be held on Wednesday, February 1st from 9:30 am until 2:30 pm at Munhall School. Two proofs of residency and proof of child's age are required at the time of registration.
- ❖ Click [here](#) for a link to the required Kindergarten registration forms that need to be completed. You may print them out, and bring them with you on February 1st.
- ❖ Believe it or not, but we are already preparing for next year's registration. Please notify the office if you are moving or you have moved. Two proofs of residency must be provided so that we can update our records. It is important we have accurate addresses for our school mailings.

From the PTO

After School Enrichment

We are looking forward to another great After School Enrichment program!

As a reminder, classes are held after school (January 30th – February 10th) from 3:00-4:15. Students will be dismissed from their classroom to the Activity Center where they will choose a snack (fruit), attendance is taken, and then they will be chaperoned to their ASE class. Please pick up your child in the front entrance of the school at 4:15. If your child is attending the Kimmer's class, please make arrangements as transportation for that class is not provided.

There are still spots available to volunteer to help. Please click here to sign up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eaaa629a6f85-parent>

Please direct questions to Sarah at sarahschrandt@yahoo.com or Amy at scialo@sbcglobal.net.

Yearbook

For the first time, the yearbook committee will also pick one photo that best fits the Munhall Mustang Spirit. The parent or child submitting the photo will win a free yearbook. To be considered, we must receive the photo by March 15th. All photo submissions should include the grade of the students in the photo and/or the event during which the photo was taken.

Photos should be electronically submitted to barbaralund93@sbcglobal.net, or dropped off at the office on a jump drive/disc with full contact information attached. Please no printed hard copies.



Kindergarten Enrollment

February 1, 2017



If your child will be 5-years old on or before September 1, 2017
it's time to register for kindergarten.

DO NOT WAIT until summer to enroll your new kindergarten student. Kindergarten enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year will be at all Community Unit School District 303 elementary schools on **February 1**. Enroll at the elementary school where children in your area currently attend.

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Bell-Graham Elementary	(331) 228-2100	Munhall Elementary	(331) 228-2600
Corron Elementary	(331) 228-6900	Norton Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2700
Ferson Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2300	Wasco Elementary	(331) 228-2900
Lincoln Elementary	(331) 228-2500	Wild Rose Elementary	(331) 228-3000

9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

Fox Ridge Elementary (331) 228-2400

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Anderson Elementary	(331) 228-3300	Davis Primary	(331) 228-2200
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Community Unit School District 303 offers both Half Day and All Day Kindergarten programs. All Day Kindergarten is a tuition-based program for the additional 1/2 day of instruction. Information regarding All Day Kindergarten tuition can be found on the District website at d303.org/all-day-kindergarten.

The following information is required when enrolling for kindergarten*:

- Reliable proof of child's identity and age (*birth certificate+, passport, visa, etc.*)
- Verification of Parent/Guardian Identity
- Two documents as proof of residency
- Parcel Identification Number (PIN)

**New student residency and enrollment information, including links to required notices and kindergarten enrollment forms, can be found on the District 303 web site (district.d303.org/enrollment-and-registration).*

+Required to comply with the Missing Children Records Act [325 ILCS 50/5]

Complete information about physical examinations, dental examinations and immunizations will be available at the February enrollment event. Students are expected to have all requirements completed by the first day of school. Student assignments will be available in August.

Enroll on February 1.

Your cooperation will enable the school to better serve your child.



St. Baldrick's FOUNDATION

Conquer Childhood Cancers

On March 10, Munhall Elementary School will be participating in a St Baldrick's event.

This years St. Baldrick's event has grown to include 9 elementary schools and three middle schools and will now be called the St. Charles Challenge, a community wide St. Baldrick's event. St. Baldrick's is a nonprofit solely dedicated to funding childhood cancer research.

Munhall will be participating at the head shaving event on March 10 at Haines Middle School. If you would like to join our Munhall Mustangs Go Maneless (for Mackenzie) team please follow this link and sign up to Brave the Shave <https://www.stbaldricks.org/teams/stbaldricksmustangs>. If you have any questions in regard to the Munhall Mustangs Go Manelss Team please contact Dana Andelman at dvandelman@gmail.com. Once you have created your page email and share it with your family and friends to help us reach our fundraising goal.

Many of the schools in the District will be participating but if your school or group has not started a team, or you simply want to start your own team just log onto <https://www.stbaldricks.org/events/mypage/12340/2017> and create your own team, share the link with your friends or group and get as many people as you can to sign up to brave the shave.

To help make this event a success we are looking for volunteers, Hair dressers, raffle prizes and Corporate sponsors. If you have any questions please contact Jenna Asermely at nolanj72002@yahoo.com or Brooks Nicewarner at gr8ffpm@sbcglobal.net

Follow this link to see past events at Anderson and Corron elementary Schools.
<https://youtu.be/vtHcNKwAE24>