



Munhall News

February 10, 2017

Important Dates

Monday, February 13

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

Deadline for ordering Lip Sync tickets
See attached flyer

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

Wednesday, February 15

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

Gr. K-2 Author Visit

Thursday, February 16

Band Rehearsal
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room

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

Friday, February 17

Munhall PTO Lip Sync
7:00 PM, Norris Cultural Arts Center

Monday, February 20

President's Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL

Thursday, March 2

End of Second Trimester

Friday, March 3

Teacher Work Day – NO SCHOOL

Fiddle Fest
7:00 PM Performance, St. Charles East H.S. Gym

Thursday, March 9

Gr. 1 Music Performance
6:30-7:30 PM, Munhall Gym

Gr. 4 Music Performance
7:30-8:30 PM, Munhall Gym

Wednesday, March 15

Report Cards on Home Access Center



March 27 – March 31

Spring Break – NO SCHOOL

Monday, April 3

School Resumes



From the Principal

Dear Munhall Parents,

2nd Trimester

As of today, we are officially two thirds of the way through the 2nd trimester. January was a month filled with great learning at Munhall, and that momentum has been sustained as we've flipped the calendar to February. As a staff, we highly value establishing a culture for learning in our classroom and engaging students in their learning. A success indicator of an engaged student is he/she takes ownership over his/her learning and is making progress toward authentic self-assessment. Over the weekend, feel free to ask your child questions like: What have you been working on as a writer? What strategies have you been using when reading difficult texts? What are you learning as a scientist? What do you want to improve on before the end of this trimester? Involving and empowering students in their own learning is critical to fostering independent learners. When students are able to self-assess or monitor their own progress, we are certainly trending in the right direction.

Friendship Parties

Friendship parties will be held next Tuesday, February 14th from 1:45-2:45. All parent volunteers will need to check-in at the main office. We will ask all volunteers to stay in the foyer area until shortly before the parties begin in order to preserve the learning environment until 1:45.

After School Enrichment

Today marks the final day of after school enrichment and it has been an overwhelming success. Students have been extremely enthusiastic about the activities and they are learning a lot in the process. I want to thank all parent organizers, volunteers, and vendors for providing such a great enrichment experience for our students.

Attendance Letters

Next week I will be sending a second round of letters in an effort to support students and families that are struggling with attendance. A vast amount of research points to the importance of school attendance to good academic standing and improved social-emotional health. Therefore, it is critical for the short and long-term success of our students to have them present at school. I look forward to following up these letters with phone calls to learn how we can best support families with improved attendance.

Have a great weekend!

Jarrold Buxton, Principal

From the Office

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

- ❖ If you are moving or have moved, please notify the main office by calling 331-228-2600 or emailing patricia.townsend@d303.org.

Art News

Artsonia is the **World's Largest Student Art Museum**. Yet it's so much more than that! It's a free, safe, educational program designed to connect parents and families with their child's creative activities at school. Please keep an eye out for Artsonia permission slips, which will be sent home in the next few weeks, so that you can activate your student's account online. A selection of artwork will be added to their account each year, so that you can really see their growth as an artist! Please email me with questions or comments: Mrs. Jontz kjontz@d303.org

Orchestra News

Calling all fiddlers and lovers of folk music! It's time for the 12th annual Fiddle Fest, to be held on **Friday, March 3rd**. All advanced orchestra students, elementary through high school and beyond, can participate! Parents, teachers, older siblings, grandparents and community members who play guitar, banjo, mandolin or a string instrument are welcome! We guarantee you'll have a great time! If you are interested in playing and would like music, please contact Mrs. Rita Borkowski. Rita.Borkowski@d303.org

Participation forms for performers are due to Mrs Borkowski by Friday, Feb. 17th, so we can accurately plan for this huge event. Please see the attached form if you are in need of one.

Fiddle Fest Date: Friday, March 3rd

Place: East High School Gym, 1020 Dunham Rd, St. Charles, 60174

Dress Rehearsal: 5:00 – 6:00 pm All performers participating must attend the dress rehearsal!

Pizza Dinner: A pizza dinner for participants and volunteers will be available for \$5.00 following the rehearsal.

Fiddle Fest Performance: 7:00 pm JOIN US!

From the PTO

Yearbook

To purchase and customize your yearbook, go to www.TreeRing.com/validate and enter the Munhall School passcode: 1014133182771719. The yearbook price is \$18.50.

If you have any questions, please contact Barb Lund opiesgirl93@sbcglobal.net or Daniella Jones at krej0305@gmail.com.



*It's time to reserve your tickets for the
19th Annual Munhall PTO Lip Sync*



*Friday, February 17th, at 7:00 p.m.
Norris Cultural Arts Center*

Reserve your tickets early. This event SELLS OUT!

\$5.00 per RESERVED, assigned seat

Performers: FREE

***Purchase up to 6 tickets per family. Any extra tickets will be sold at rehearsal Wednesday, February 15th.**

****All reservations must be submitted ONLINE by Monday, February 13th****

Payment is due 2 school days after you receive your confirmation email

- **Seats will be assigned on a first come, first served basis in the order the ONLINE reservations are received.**
- **A ticket confirmation will be emailed within 48 hours after your submit your reservation.** Please print the invoice and return it to school with payment within 2 days. If payment is not received within 2 school days, the reservation will be cancelled.
- **Individual tickets will not be distributed** – your confirmation email is your “ticket.” Print the confirmation email or pull it up on a mobile device at the door.
- **Advance ticket sales end on Monday, February 13th.** If the show does not sell out by then, tickets will be sold at rehearsal.
- **All performers must sit in assigned seats with their group for the entire performance.** Students in more than one act will be assigned to sit with one group.
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Here is the link to reserve your tickets:

<https://goo.gl/forms/2M1IJwLXbilH6nb62>

Ticket questions? Contact Amanda Callaci amcallaci@yahoo.com

FIDDLE FEST 2017

It's Fiddle Fest time! All advanced elementary, middle school and high school orchestra students in D303, and their friends, can participate! We will be playing a variety of alternative styles of music. Parents, older siblings and friends who play guitar, banjo, mandolin or a string instrument are invited to join us. Here are the details.



Date: Friday, March 3rd 2017

Place: EAST HS Varsity Gym (1020 Dunham Rd St Charles)

Dress Rehearsal 5:00 – 6:00 pm Arrival time: 4:30 pm to tune

Pizza Dinner: 6:00 pm. (For all participants and volunteers)

Festival Performance: 7:00 pm

Questions? Ask your orchestra director, or contact Mrs. Rita Borkowski, at Rita.Borkowski@d303.org

FIDDLE FEST 2017 PARTICIPATION FORM

In order to plan adequately for this event and to have a sufficient amount of food, we **MUST** have an accurate count of all participants. Please return this form **NO LATER THAN Friday, February 17th**!

***** TO ALL EAST SIDE FAMILIES:** We would really appreciate donations of water, pop and cookies for the pizza dinner. **WEST** side families will be asked to donate again next year. If you attend: **MUNHALL**, please bring a container of cookies.

NORTON CREEK, or LINCOLN, please bring a case of water.

WREDLING, FOX RIDGE or ANDERSON, please bring a 12 pack of pop.



I AM COMING TO FIDDLE FEST. SIGN ME UP!

Student Name _____ Instrument _____

Parent signature _____ School _____

Parents, grandparents, older siblings or community members that will also be participating.....

Name _____ Instrument _____

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Relationship to Student: _____

_____ Please send home additional music for my instrument.

_____ * **Important!** Please indicate the number of participants (performers) or volunteers that will be eating pizza. **Money for pizza will be collected the night of Fiddle Fest.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Please check here _____ if you would like to volunteer to help at Fiddle Fest. We will contact you with specific details soon. Please write clearly!

Volunteer Name _____

Email _____

SUPPORT A "BUONA" CAUSE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017

10:30 AM - 10:00 PM

PROCEEDS BENEFIT:
Munhall PTO



BUONA

THE ORIGINAL ITALIAN BEEF

St. Charles
2425 W. Main Street
(630) 405-5557

15% of all sales (dine-in, carry-out, drive-thru and Buona by-the-pound) incurred as a result of your participation will be donated directly to Munhall PTO.

Flyer must be presented when ordering. BUONA gift certificates/cards and coupons will not be honored.

Visit BUONA.com to order or to view a menu

Interested in setting up a Buona Benefit Night? Email us at fundraising@buona.com!



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