

MOUNT UNION AREA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER-DECEMBER 2024



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Dear MUAJHS Parents and Guardians,

There are lots of exciting things going on at MUAJHS. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very happy holiday season!



Junior High End of Year Trip Fundraisers

Proceeds will go to your student's account for the class field trip at the end of the year.

- Gift cards will be delivered by December 17th.
- January – Powerhouse Subs and Original Recipe Gobs
- February – Claysburg Pizzas and Strombolis

Be on the lookout for information to come home with your student or the PIC Facebook page.

Junior High Yearbook Committee

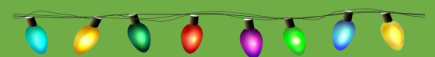
Jr. High Yearbook Committee is a small group of students who take pictures of Jr. High events and design and create a yearbook that is specifically made for students in grades 6-8. Yearbooks include all student portraits, sports, and clubs for Jr. High students along with candid moments throughout the year. The students involved in yearbook committee take great pride in their creation and they gain valuable experience that they can use in the future.

If you are interested in joining the Yearbook Committee, please see Mrs. Shields at the Jr. High.



Upcoming Dates

- 12/4/24 – Return from Thanksgiving break
- 12/4-12/10 - Door Decorating Contest
- 12/10 - 12/15 – Voting for Door Decorating Contest
- 12/10/24 – Junior High Band/Choir Concert @ 6:30
- 12/11/24 – Senior High Band/Choir Concert @ 6:30
- 12/15/24 @ 8:00 PM – Deadline for voting for Decorated Doors
- 12/16/24 – CHAMP Assembly 7th Period.
- 12/19/24 – Jr. High Carnival
- 12/20/24 – CHAMP Movie Fundraiser
- 12/23-1/1 – Winter Break – Students return to school January 2, 2025





Music at Mount Union Area School District

Junior and Senior High Band and Choir Concerts - Band and Choir concerts for the Junior High will take place on December 10th at 6:30. The Senior High concert will be December 11th at 6:30. Both nights, the concerts will be held in the auditorium of the Junior/Senior High Schools.

Elementary Holiday Programs

- **Kistler Elementary** – Concert is December 18, 2024 @ 1:00 in the High School Auditorium
- **Shirley Township Elementary** – December 17, 2024 @ 12:30 in the High School Auditorium

Parents – Jr. High students will watch both programs during the morning each day. Doing this prevents the chaos of parents picking students up in the office and allows more room for parents, guardians, and grandparents during the afternoon performances. Additionally, the Jr. High students will still have the opportunity to see their siblings', friends', or relatives' performances.

Student Council Fundraiser

Student Council will be having a cookie and cake pop fundraiser from Just Les Creations in February. More details to come. Mrs. Nancy Henry oversees the Jr. High Student Council. Nhenry@muasd.org

Door Decorating Contest

PIC is sponsoring a door decorating contest. Students will have December 4th through the 9th to decorate classroom doors. One class from each grade will be selected as winners. Pictures will be taken and posted to the PIC Facebook page from December 10th through December 15th at 8:00PM. One winner will be selected from each grade at the Jr. High. The winning classes will receive a cookie party on December 17th.

CHAMP Fundraisers

- 12/13/24 – Jr. High Kickball Tournament 6th and 7th periods. Cost is \$5 per student. Money is due to homeroom teachers no later than December 13th.
- 12/20/24 – Movie Day in the auditorium. Cost is \$2 per student. Students will watch a movie in the morning. Money is due to homeroom teachers no later than December 19th.



Countdown To Christmas

Students may dress up for a chance to win a \$25 gift card for Walmart. Each student will be given a ticket each day he or she dresses for that day's theme. Tickets will be entered and one student from each grade will be drawn to receive a \$25 Walmart gift card. The calendar of themes is posted on the last page of the newsletter.

Early Dismissals, Delays, and Flexible Instruction Days

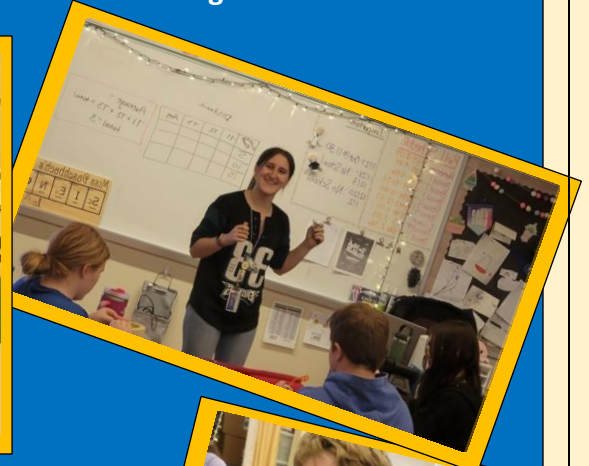
One-Call notifications will go out about delays, early dismissals, and Flexible Instructional Days (FIDs). For FIDs, we will try to give parents and guardians 24 hours' notice but cannot always guarantee that.

On FIDs, students are expected to log into their TEAMS classes each period. Teachers will have live lessons all day. Those students without reliable internet should let their teachers know that they need paper copies of the work. Many teachers already have folders ready to go and may have sent them home with students. Please talk with your students so that all students are prepared.

in the spotlight

MISS DASCHBACH'S 6TH GRADE SCIENCE CLASS

This week, Miss Daschbach's 6th grade science students worked in teams to build rockets! These students studied the relationship between Kinetic and potential energy. To demonstrate what they learned, they launched their rockets in class to see how high they could go using a meter stick to gather data. Below are some pictures from this lesson.











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| 15 | | | | |

Average = $T1 + T2 + T3 = \text{total}$
total = 3



Countdown To Christmas Calendar

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| <p>Students will earn an entry into a drawing for a gift card each day that they participate. One gift card awarded per grade in the Jr. High</p> | <p>December 2024</p> | <p>Countdown</p> | <p>To</p> | <p>Christmas Break</p> |
| <p>9– Baby It’s Cold Outside- Wear a scarf</p>  | <p>10- Mele Kalikimaka (Hawaiian Christmas) - wear your favorite vacation shirt</p>  | <p>11– Twinkling and Bright- wear sparkly and bright colored clothes or light up jewelry</p>  | <p>12 - Christmas explosion- wear as many Christmas things as you can safely. (red, green, jewelry, etc)</p>  | <p>13– Family pictures- wear matching outfits with a friend</p>  |
| <p>16- A few of our favorite things- dress like your favorite Christmas character</p>  | <p>17- Heading into the holidays- wear a Christmas hat or headband.</p>  | <p>18– Tis the season to be tacky- wear your ugly Christmas sweater</p>  | <p>19– The stockings were hung- wear Christmas socks</p>  | <p>20– Twas the night before Christmas- wear your Christmas P.J.'s</p>  |