

Parents' Newsline



Principal's Message

New Opportunities for Worship

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Psalm 96:1



This past week, we introduced the new hymnal, recently published by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, to our student body. Thanks to the proceeds from our wreath sales over the last several years, we were able to purchase enough hymnals so that our faculty, staff and student body may use them for chapel. If a student would like to purchase one, we can help facilitate that transaction.

We used the hymnal on Wednesday for the first time under the leadership of Mr. Hermanson. What a special opportunity for worship this was. This week, we've had the opportunity to sing new hymns and liturgy. In the coming weeks, there will be more opportunities for new ways we can worship our Lord. How special it is that we have the chance to worship our Lord each day as an MVL family. With all the challenges going on in the world around, it is refreshing and uplifting when we can sing a new song to our Lord and head His Word every day. Chapel worship is truly one of the blessings that we can enjoy here at MVL and we pray that we take advantage of it!

Did you know that the faculty picks the theme for the coming year in late winter or early spring? Then, Mr. Koepsell works out a schedule of chapel devotions for the year. In a typical week, an MVL male teacher will lead devotion on Monday, we'll have homeroom devotion on Tuesday, the faculty member will lead on Wednesday, an association pastor will lead on Thursday and then Friday, one of our senior guys will lead chapel. It's such a blessing to see the variety in devotions and styles that we experience each week from the faculty members, association pastors and senior guys. We pray that we never tire of the opportunities for worship that we have at MVL!

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Open House and Registration

We will be hosting our Open House and Registration event on the evening of Tuesday, March 15. That evening, we will offer tours of our school, a session for parents and students on our mission, academics and activities, and an opportunity to register for the 2022-23 school year. Parents and students of new incoming 9th –12th grade students are invited and encouraged to attend.

Pike Driving School

MVL is once again offering Driver’s Education classroom instruction during the after school hours from 3:15 – 5:15 p.m., beginning Tuesday, March 1. This program, offered by Pike Driving School of New Ulm, will run until March 16. There will be sign up sheet and informational postcard in the office starting in February. Have your student pick one up for more information.

Senior Photos Needed!

The MVL yearbook needs your senior photo. Please reserve good judgment for apparel and poses. The main focus of these pictures must be your face. It should be clearly visible (no sunglasses) and close enough to see (no far away shots). These photos do not need to be professional photos. All photos are subject to review by the yearbook committee. The deadline for senior photos is **March 31, 2022**

2022-2023 Course Selection

Mr. Dobberpuhl, the Registrar, met with the 9th-11th grade classes during the last week of January to step them through the course selection process for the next school year. All of the materials are available on the Course of Study guide linked from mvl.org. Students should talk with the parents and teachers to obtain good advice. Some courses require initials from teachers in order to be enrolled. All course selection forms should be turned into the student's homeroom advisor on or before Thursday, February 15th.

Triple A Award

Kaylee Hunter has been selected by Minnesota Valley Lutheran High School to receive the Triple A Award. Kaylee will represent herself and MVL at the Minnesota State High School League's subsection level.



The Triple A Award recognizes and honors high school seniors who have excelled in the classroom, on the athletic field and in the fine arts. The Triple A Award elevates academic standards and creates greater awareness of League-sponsored activities and their values. It also provides member schools with the opportunity to participate in a statewide program that supports, promotes and recognizes academic and co-curricular achievements.



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Have questions? Contact: **Lizz Tice: email Scrip@mvlhs.org or call the school office 354-6851**



**Double
discounts?!**

Fast Fundraising February

Earn funds for your organization twice as *kwik* because we're **DOUBLING** your discount!

During the month of February, take advantage of a **10% discount** on your Kwik Trip Scrip Cards, plus **FREE SHIPPING!**

Offer valid 2/1/22 - 2/28/22

COUNSELOR CONNECTION



BAND FEST

You Don't Know Until You Go!

There are three vacation days in February (18th, 21st, and 25th), which are perfect for juniors and seniors to complete college visits or job shadowing experiences. If you plan on visiting a campus on President's Day, call ahead to first make sure that they will be in session. Start planning now! If you need assistance in setting up a visit or job shadowing experience, please contact Mr. Smith at tjsmith@mvlhs.org or via phone at 507.233.8685.

Seniors (and Parents)

There will be a Financial Aid/FAFSA Completion Night hosted by Mr. Smith at MVL on **Wednesday, February 9, 2022** beginning at **6:30 p.m.** in Room 203/204. This **in person** presentation will focus on the types of Financial Aid, reading/dissecting award packages, and common barriers to completing the FAFSA. The presentation itself will last approximately 30 minutes and then Mr. Smith will be available to answer individual questions. If families have not yet begun the FAFSA, there will be an opportunity to do so after the presentation for those who wish. Please reach out to Mr. Smith with any questions. If you could **RSVP** to tjsmith@mvlhs.org prior to Tuesday, February 9th, that will ensure space and logistics can be effectively planned.

Juniors (and Parents)

Have you taken an ACT yet? Spring is a great (and recommended) time for Juniors to take an initial ACT. The April test date is on April 2, 2022. The regular registration deadline is February 25, 2022. Current (somewhat local) test centers holding this ACT include: Mankato East and Minnesota State University in Mankato, St. James High School, Northfield High School, and St. Peter High School. Registration can be completed online at www.act.org.

Reminder

I am here to serve all MVL students and their parents. Please do not hesitate to contact me for assistance or with any questions. I can be reached via email, tjsmith@mvlhs.org, or at my direct line, 507.233.8685.

Thrivent Action Grants for WELS band Festival

In order to help with costs incurred with the WELS Band festival that MVL is hosting in March we are looking for 2-4 Thrivent policy holders willing to apply for Action Grants. Each grant is \$250. The process is not difficult. The issuance of the grants takes a while so we'd like to apply as soon as possible. Please contact Becky Berg or Deb Kuck for information about how to apply. Thanks!

Housing for Band Festival March 18-20

Housing for 50 students is still needed for March 17 evening-March 20 noon.

You would be responsible for: Transportation to and from MVL on Thursday night, Friday morning, Friday evening, Saturday morning, Saturday evening and then Sunday afternoon. If we do have enough students going back and forth to Mankato, we could utilize a bus. Providing the following meals for the students: breakfast on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings, lunch Sunday noon and probably some snacks in the evening when they get "home". Students are in pairs or trios. Please indicate if you would house males or females. If you are interested in helping out in this way, please contact Tim Plath or Becky Berg.

Snacks and drinks for Band Festival March 18-20

Students are hungry most of the time. I'd like to provide snacks for the students to eat during the breaks between rehearsals. (I will share these with the directors as well). Snack ideas: cookies, bars, cupcakes, muffins, chex mix (sweet or salty), individually bagged snacks, granola bars. Healthy snacks- veggies, fruit. I haven't heard of anyone with Gluten intolerance yet, but it might be a good idea to have a couple choices. Drinks: juice, milk, water add-ins like Mio, K-cup coffee and creamer for the directors lounge. If you are interested in donating any of these items, please contact Becky Berg.

AD Corner

**To avoid any confusion, "The AD's Corner" will be written by Mr. Morgan and the specific sports articles will be written by each head coach.

It sure is cold outside, but not in our gym! Our girls are playing really well and creating a great deal of energy and excitement. The boys' basketball team is playing really hard and making improvements that will pay off in the future. Our pep band and dance team are second to none, always exciting the crowd when they perform.

Our annual Chargers vs Cancer game was on January 21. This year the girls basketball teams joined the boys basketball teams to raise even more to find a cure for cancer. The final numbers are not quite in yet, but by next month's Newline, we will have those for everyone. Please continue to pray for those people and their families battling cancer.



On February 4, at halftime of our boys' game with Cathedral, we will recognize the Boys' State Tournament Team from 1997. Some of you may remember that team when 7 of the seniors stayed back from their class trip to go to state? Come and reminisce with the team and coaches that night. Bring your favorite memory and share how much fun it was to go up to the Cities as an MVL Changer.

Clay Targets

There will be an organizational meeting for this spring's Clay Target Team on February 6, 6:30 at MVL.

Interested students should bring their parents and a check for \$150 to cover the cost of ammunition. More information will be handed out at the meeting. We need accurate numbers so we can get our ammo order in asap. If you are not able to attend that night contact, Mr. Morgan, at cmorgan@mvlhs.org. Students may organize squads that night and parents will hear what's new and different this season. See you on February 6.

Winter Co-ops

This year we have three students who are taking advantage of our co-op opportunities with New Ulm and Mankato East. Anna Schwartz and Kendra Kramer are participating in our gymnastics coop with New Ulm

Kira Neeb is participating in our co-op with Mankato East in Girls' Alpine Skiing at Mt Kato.

Link to New Ulm's athletic schedules: <https://www.thebigsouthconference.org/public/genie/742/school/12/>

Link to Mankato East's athletic schedules: <https://big9conference.org/public/genie/4/school/6/>



Annual Booster Club Auction

Save the date for March 26 at Turner Hall! If you or your business can donate items for the auction, please contact David Bendix at dcbendix@gmail.com or 507-236-9898. Stay tuned to the [MVL Booster Club Facebook page](#) for more details.

MVL BOOSTER CLUB AUCTION



Shorter Concession Stand Shifts

To better accommodate families' schedules, we now have shorter shifts in the concession stand. We rely on all of our MVL families to help with this fundraising activity for all of our students' cocurricular activities. Check your calendar and [sign up](#) today! You can even watch the game via livestream from the concession stand.

Pork Chop Meal

Prior to the winter concert on March 6, come out and enjoy a delicious pork chop meal.

February 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		Chargaliers 7:15 a.m.	KB Practice 7:15 a.m. Faculty-Staff Bible Study 7:15 a.m. GBB @ Cathedral 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	NHS 7:15 a.m.	3rd Quarter Midterm BBB v Cathedral 4:45, 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	GBB @ WEM 10:00, 11:00 a.m.
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	2 Hour Late Start Faculty Meeting 7:30 a.m. BBB @ LSH 4:45, 6:00, 7:30 p.m. GBB v GHEC 4:30, 5:45, 7:15 p.m.	Chargaliers 7:15 a.m. GBB v Nicollet Parents' Night 4:45, 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	KB Practice 7:15 a.m. Financial Aid Info Night 6:00 p.m.	Focus on the Ministry @ MLC Chargaliers 7:15 a.m. BBB @ Sleepy Eye 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	Jazz 7:15 a.m. GBB v Sleepy Eye 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	CBB @ GFW 9:00 a.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Association Meeting 2:00 p.m.	GBB v BLHS 6:00 7:30 p.m. BBB @ St Clair 4:30, 5:45, 7:15 p.m.	Chargaliers 7:15 a.m. BBB v Sibley East Parents' Night 4:30, 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	KB Practice 7:15 a.m.	Chargaliers 7:15 a.m.	No School LES Basketball Tournament	Speech @ East LES Basketball Tournament CBBB Invitational @ Mankato E 9:00 a.m.
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Presidents' Day No School Board of Directors 6:30 p.m.	Chargaliers 7:15 a.m.	Network New Ulm KB Practice 7:15 a.m.	Chargaliers 7:15 a.m.	No School LES Basketball Tournament BBB v MCW 4:45, 6:00, 7:30 p.m.	LES Basketball Tournament GBB Subsection
27	28					
NHS Induction 7:00 p.m.	BBB v WEM 4:45, 6:00, 7:30 p.m.					

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February Menu

31	1	2	3	4
Chicken Patty on a bun Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Fresh veggies & Fruit cup	Chicken Alfredo, Bread Stick, Broccoli, Peaches, Salad	Beef Haystax, Refried Beans, Lettuce, Mixed Fruit	Fish Wedge on a bun Potato Wedges Green Beans, Lettuce, Oranges	Sloppy Joes, Chips, Peas, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit
7	8	9	10	11
Hotdogs, snack chips, Baked Beans, Fruit Cup, Fresh Veggies	Breakfast for Lunch Sausage Patty, French Toast Stix, Hash browns, Bananas, Apple Sauce	Beef Stir Fry, Rice, Bread Slice Broccoli, Pineapple, Fresh Veggies	Spaghetti With Meat Sauce Garlic Toast Peas, Fruit Fluff Lettuce	Chicken Fajitas, Tortilla Chips Refried Beans Lettuce, Pears
14	15	16	17	18
Hamburgers Potato Wedges peas, Fruit Fluff, Carrots & Celery	Chicken & Sausage Jambalaya, Bread Slice, Corn Applesauce, Car- rots & Celery	Ham & Linguini, Broccoli, Cheese Bread Sticks, Pears, Salad	Corndogs, Baked beans, Snack Chips, Carrots & Celery Applesauce	NO SCHOOL
21	22	23	24	25
NO SCHOOL	Sweet & Sour Chick- en with Rice, Bread Slice Broccoli, Pineapple, Lettuce	Tater Tot Hotdish, bread stick, Corn, Peaches, Lettuce	Turkey Wrap, Snack Chips, Baked Beans, Lettuce, Fresh Fruit	NO SCHOOL

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