



Munhall Bulletin

December 21, 2018

Upcoming Events



- December 24 – January 4** **Winter Break**
- Monday, January 7** **School Resumes**
- Gr. 5 Choir**
7:00 AM, Richmond Intermediate School
- Tuesday, January 8** **Beginner Orchestra Rehearsal**
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
- Munhall PTO Meeting**
7:00 PM, Munhall LRC
- Wednesday, January 9** **Advanced Orchestra Rehearsal**
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
- Thursday, January 10** **Gr. 5 Band Rehearsal**
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
- Monday, January 14** **Gr. 5 Choir**
7:00 AM, Richmond Intermediate School
- CUSD303 Board of Education Meeting**
7:00 PM, St. Charles North High School
- Tuesday, January 15** **Beginner Orchestra Rehearsal**
7:30 AM, Norton Creek Elementary
- Wednesday, January 16** **Advanced Orchestra Rehearsal**
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
- Winter Orchestra Concert**
7:00 PM, Norris Cultural Arts Center
- Thursday, January 17** **Gr. 5 Band Rehearsal**
7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
- Friday, January 18** **No School for Students - Teacher Institute Day**
- Monday, January 21** **Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**

From the Principal

Mindful Parenting

Recently I started reading the book *Mindful Parenting: Simple and Powerful Solutions for Raising Creative, Engaged, Happy Kids, in Today's Hectic World*. As many of you know, I

have a seven-year-old and a four-year-old at home and I am consistently seeking ways to stay physically and mentally present with my kids, which includes being mindful of my reactions and responses to my kids, as well as the students at Munhall. If you're interested in reading a bit about mindful parenting, I would recommend this brief online article: <https://www.gottman.com/blog/mindful-parenting-how-to-respond-instead-of-react/>

Parent Satisfaction Survey Is Open—5 Essentials Survey

Every year, District 303 conducts a satisfaction survey that gives us meaningful feedback from our students, teachers and parents. For the last decade, we have administered a local survey that has provided us with comparable data.

This year, as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) we will now be participating in the statewide Illinois 5Essentials Survey. As a parent, this opportunity will allow you to share your thoughts on the important elements of school effectiveness in a survey about your child's school.

You received an email communication on December 3 with the link to the 5Essentials Survey. We appreciate your participation in this anonymous tool used to gather information about our schools. A direct link to the survey can be found at <https://district.d303.org/parent-survey>.

3rd and 5th Grade CogAT Results

All 3rd and 5th grade students should have come home from school on Wednesday with their fall CogAT results. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 331-228-6637.

Winter Band Concert

I was very impressed with our 5th grade band members at the winter concert this past Wednesday! Our students were well-rehearsed and brought enthusiasm to their performance. In addition, the band even excelled when faced with an impromptu challenge from Mrs. Lydigsen. I want to thank our students and parents, as well Mrs. Lydigsen for an awesome performance.

Safe travels if you're heading out of town, and Happy Holidays to you and your family!

Jarrod Buxton, Principal

From the PTO

Next PTO Meeting

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 8 in the Munhall LRC at 7 PM. The PTO board would like to wish all of the Munhall Community Happy Holidays!

Yearbook Photo and Order Reminder

Please submit your winter classroom party photos and photos from any school activity to Munhallyearbook@gmail.com. Be sure to label your photo by event and/or grade.

Remember to order your 2018-2019 yearbook. Order information can be found on our PTO website and orders can only be taken through the TreeRing website. Email any questions you have to: Munhallyearbook@gmail.com.

Munhall's Annual Yearbook Cover Contest

Calling All Artists to Enter
the 2018-2019 Yearbook Cover Contest!

Deadline for entries:

Friday, January 18th

Rules

- Drawings may be created with markers, crayons or paint as long as the cover design is dark enough to be cleanly scanned. In other words, photo ready for printing.
- Only drawings in portrait orientation will be considered.
- Landscape drawings will not be accepted.
- Drawings must be on 8.5x11" paper.
- Please submit your drawings to the main office by Friday, January 18th.

All entries MUST include the following:

- The words: Munhall School
- The year: 2018-2019
- Students full name, teacher's name and grade written lightly in pencil on the back of the drawing

Judging:

All entries will be judged on originality, creativity and neatness. Two entries from each grade will be chosen as finalists and displayed in the school office windows by number. Student's name will not be posted. Final judging will be done by each class who will be given a chance to vote for their favorite cover.

The winner will have his/her work used as the front cover for the 2018-2019 Munhall Elementary Yearbook. Finalists will have a smaller version of their drawings displayed on the back cover. If you have any questions, please email Munhallyearbook@gmail.com.



50 BOX TOPS = \$5 FOR YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL



Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school. Tape or paste them to this collection sheet and send it to school. Please note, bonus certificates must be submitted separately. Thanks for your help!

- 1 Clip Box Tops and check expiration date
- 2 Tape or glue Box Tops on sheet until filled
- 3 Send completed sheet to your school Coordinator

