

*Munhall Bulletin*  
*September 21, 2018*



*Important Dates*

<b>Saturday, September 22</b>	<b>PTO Mustang Stampede &amp; Pancake Breakfast</b>
<b>Monday, September 24</b>	<b>Gr. 5 Choir</b> 7:00 AM, Richmond Intermediate
<b>Tuesday, September 25</b>	<b>Beginner Orchestra Rehearsal</b> 7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room  <b>Gr. 5 Too Good For Drugs</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 26</b>	<b>Advanced Orchestra Rehearsal</b> 7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
<b>Thursday, September 27</b>	<b>Band Rehearsal</b> 7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
<b>Monday, October 1</b>	<b>Gr. 5 Choir</b> 7:00 AM, Richmond Intermediate
<b>Tuesday, October 2</b>	<b>Beginner Orchestra Rehearsal</b> 7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room  <b>Gr. 5 Too Good For Drugs</b>
<b>Wednesday, October 3</b>	<b>Advanced Orchestra Rehearsal</b> 7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
<b>Thursday, October 4</b>	<b>Band Rehearsal</b> 7:30 AM, Munhall Community Room
<b>Friday, October 5</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL – School Improvement Day</b>
<b>Monday, October 8</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day Holiday</b>

*From the Principal*

**Pancake Breakfast**

I look forward to seeing many Munhall families tomorrow at the PTO Pancake Breakfast. This event, which has always been highly attended, serves as a great way for families to feel connected to the school and school community. The breakfast runs from 8:00-10:00 in the Munhall cafeteria. Events such as the Pancake Breakfast couldn't be possible without parent volunteers. As noted in a previous ParentLink communication, the Mustang Stampede has been postponed until the spring. I will communicate the new date once one has been secured.

## **Evacuation Drill**

On Wednesday, our students and staff participated in an evacuation drill, which was observed by the St. Charles Fire Department. We received very positive feedback from members of the STC Fire Department and district administration team. Our students were quiet, prepared, efficient, and safe. Feel free to ask your child about the drill and discuss the procedures and protocols their class follows in times of evacuation.

## **Kick-A-Thon**

I will be representing Munhall at our annual district Kick-A-Thon next Friday, September 28th, which takes place prior to kickoff of the East vs. North football game. This is a great cause that brings our community together, preK-12. Kick-A-Thon supports the Living Well Cancer Resource Center, Fox Valley Food and Health, and the American Cancer Society. I'd love to see many of our Munhall families at this community event. Next Wednesday is a "Spirit Day" where students should dress in their Munhall Mustang attire. I'd recommend that students make a small donation on behalf of the Kick-A-Thon on this day, as all money collected goes to support the three organizations listed above. In addition, students will have the opportunity to sign the Munhall Kick-A-Thon banner during Physical Education class next Tuesday. This banner will be used in a pre-game parade, where every D303 school is represented.

## *From the PTO*

### **Mustang Stampede and Pancake Breakfast**

We are looking forward to seeing all of our Munhall families at the Pancake Breakfast this weekend. We still need volunteers to help prepare the food!!! We can't run this event without help from our awesome families! If you would like to volunteer to help at the breakfast please sign up at <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/volunteer/26488>

Unfortunately, due to low registration, we have decided to postpone the Stampede until the Spring. Thank you for your understanding while we make this event exciting for all of our families. Stay tuned for our Spring date. If you already purchased tickets for the Stampede we will be in contact with you shortly.

Register online at <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/packet/135> for \$5 per person or pay at the door for \$7 per person.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the Pancake Breakfast THIS SATURDAY!

Please reach out with questions to Sarah Barthel ([sarahbarthelauthor@gmail.com](mailto:sarahbarthelauthor@gmail.com)) for the Mustang Stampede or Jennifer Gaertner ([schooldays303@gmail.com](mailto:schooldays303@gmail.com)) for the Pancake Breakfast.

### **Yearbook**

Yearbook sales have begun! Parents who order yearbooks by September 30 will receive a 15% discount. To order please see the yearbook flyer attached.

The yearbook committee would love your help in capturing our kids' special moments at Munhall Elementary. Please help us by submitting photos taken at various school events and at classroom parties. To submit a photo, please email: [Munhallyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:Munhallyearbook@gmail.com) and please label your photo by event and/or grade. Thank you!

### **After School Enrichment**

Looking ahead to our February ASE program, our committee is currently seeking parents and community members that are interested in teaching a class. We begin planning the schedule in October, so please contact Sarah Schrandt [sarahschrandt@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahschrandt@yahoo.com) or Amy Scialo [amyscialo@yahoo.com](mailto:amyscialo@yahoo.com)

## **PTO Directory**

Be a part of our school directory! Sign up at <https://munhallpto.membershiptoolkit.com/home>

## **WE NEED YOU!**

We can't do all of these wonderful things for the Munhall students without your help. The PTO is looking for folks to fill the following chairperson positions:

**Science Night Co-Chair** - Help plan the event then be able to enjoy the event with your children

**Concessions** - Set up the food vendors for some of our major events including Fall Celebration and Basket Raffle & Bingo Night

**Pre-packaged school Supplies** - Shadow the existing chairperson to learn the ropes then take over the chairperson position next school year

## **Box Tops**

Hell! I'm not only your PTO secretary but I'm also your Box Top committee chairperson. Thank you to those who have been sending in box tops. I greatly appreciate it. I wanted to touch base to be sure everyone knew we do collect box tops. There is a basket outside of the office. One box top is worth 10 cents for our school. They are found on hundreds of items. Attached is a form you could use at home for a fun way to collect them as a family. The form can be dropped off at school. Once my son heard that box tops equals money for Munhall he looks for it on products, even when at the stores. I'm planning to send in the first round of box tops in for the November submission in around the 3rd week of October. Please don't hesitate to email me at [MunhallPTOSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:MunhallPTOSecretary@gmail.com) with questions. Thanks again.

# 2018-2019 Munhall Student Council Application for Grades 3-5

Munhall Student Council focuses on Service & School Spirit. We will think of ways to serve our Munhall Community and increase our school spirit. This means that we will plan a service project or spirit activity every 1-2 months. We will meet on most Tuesdays from 3:00-4:00pm, but please see attached schedule for specific and additional dates. We will assist the PTO with special events such as Fall Fest, Lip Sync, & Basket Raffle Night. We also Ring the Bells for the Salvation Army in December. The teacher leaders are Mrs. Brown and Miss O'Hara.

We are looking for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students who can be role models for others in class everyday and at Student Council events and meetings. Students will represent the Munhall Community so we expect members to make good choices, attend meetings/events, and be willing to help others with a servant's heart. We will ask for 2 students from each of the 3rd grade and 4th grade classes and 3 students from each of the 5th grade classes to represent the school as Student Council Members (26 students in total).

We will need support from the members' parents too. Parents should be able to arrange for their child to be picked up on meeting days by 4:10 pm and bring students to special events. Parents may choose whether to send a healthy snack for their child to eat during the council meetings. We are staying consistent with the snack policy. Parents are welcome to assist our students during special events.

With all of this in mind, if you are interested in running for Student Council this year, please fill out this application return it to your teacher by **Thursday September 27, 2018 8:45 am.** **There is a Student section and a Parent Section. Both need to be completed.** :- ) Classroom teachers will decide how to handle choosing members. The final names will be given to Miss O'Hara & Mrs. Brown

## **Student Section:**

1. Name (First & Last) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Grade & Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

3. How will you be a positive role model and leader in your classroom and the Munhall Community?

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4. What ideas do you have for Service Projects? (Things we could do to help others)

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5. What ideas do you have for Spirit Days?

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**Parent Section:**

I have read the above information about being a member of the Munhall Student Council as well as the attached list of after school dates/events. I have talked to my child about the importance of being a positive role model and will help my child uphold this privilege of leadership. I understand that I will need to arrange transportation for my child on meeting or special event days. When asked, I will provide accurate contact information to the adult leaders to ensure communication and I understand that email is the primary method of communication with the teacher leaders. Finally, I agree to allow my child to apply for and participate (if chosen) in the Munhall Student Council.

PRINT Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,  
Miss O'Hara & Mrs. Brown  
Munhall Student Council Adult Leaders

**2017-2018 Student Council Dates**  
*Regular meetings held in Mrs. Brown's Room 104*

**September: Applications due by Thursday Sept 27 at 8:45am.**

**October**

Week of Oct 1           Members will be announced  
Tuesday, Oct 9           3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Oct 16          3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Oct 23          3:00-4:00pm  
**\*Friday, Oct 26        3:00-4:30 Haunted Cakewalk Set Up for anyone able to help**  
**6:25-8:30 Fall Fest Haunted CakeWalk**

**November**

**(\*TBD Assist with Veterans Day Assembly??)**

Tuesday, Nov 6          3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Nov 27         3:00-4:00pm

**December**

**\*\*Tuesday Dec 4 (To Be Confirmed) 4-6pm Bell Ringing for Salvation Army at Jewel-Osco on Kirk Road To be Confirmed**

Tuesday, Dec 11        3:00-4:30pm Winter Party (Sock Exchange)

**January**

Tuesday, Jan 15 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Jan 29 3:00-4:00pm

**February**

Tuesday, Feb 5 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Feb 12 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Feb 19 3:00-4:00pm  
**?\*\*Wednesday Feb 20 Lip Sync Rehearsal? (To be confirmed)**  
**\*\*Friday, Feb 22 7:00-9:00pm Lip Sync (arrive at 6:30pm)**

**March**

Tuesday, Mar 5 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, Mar 19 3:00-4:00pm

**April**

Tuesday, April 9 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, April 16 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, April 23 3:00-4:00pm  
**\*\*Friday, April 26 6:00-7:30pm Basket Raffle Fundraiser (Shifts to be determined)**

**May**

Tuesday, May 7 3:00-4:00pm  
Tuesday, May 21 3:00-4:30pm End of Year Party

# 5th Grade Choir!



Dear Families of 5th Grade Students!

We are thrilled to announce that this year D303 is providing a 5th Grade Choir Program for ALL Elementary Schools! This program will run in a similar fashion as the current Elementary Band and Orchestra programs with a weekly before school rehearsal, but will NOT conflict with current band and orchestra rehearsals.

The choir program will run from the last week of September through May, with our first rehearsal being Monday, September 24!

Choir will meet on Monday mornings at RICHMOND INTERMEDIATE from 7:00 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. Parents/guardians are responsible for dropping their student off at Richmond at 7:00 a.m. D303 Transportation will provide a bus to transport Munhall students to Munhall after the morning rehearsals! There will not be rehearsals on student non-attendance days.

There is NO FEE to participate in choir. Students will be asked to purchase a choir t-shirt, which may be worn at performances. Performances are TBD as this district-wide program unfolds.

The goal of the 5th grade elementary choir program is to offer a formal choral music opportunity to our young students and to enrich their musical experience while preparing for middle and high school vocal music possibilities. We will work on ensemble practice, team building, vocal technique, vocal health, unison and part-singing, all through a rich variety of vocal music repertoire. I look forward to this new adventure and hope your student will be a part of this wonderful experience!

If you would like to register your student for 5th Grade Choir, please click the link below and sign up by September 23rd!

<https://goo.gl/forms/sFwnY92iqyNe0yNK2>

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to email me!

Sincerely,

Erika Hammons

St. Charles CUSD 303

Elementary General Music Teacher- Munhall School

[erika.hammons@d303.org](mailto:erika.hammons@d303.org)



October 10, 2019

## Join children and adults around the world to celebrate the benefits of walking and bicycling.

Walk to School Day is an annual event that promotes walking and bicycling for several reasons:

- ✓ Physical activity
- ✓ Teaching safe pedestrian and bicycling skills to children
- ✓ Awareness of how walkable & bikeable a community is and where improvements can be made
- ✓ Concern for the environment
- ✓ Reducing traffic congestion, pollution and speed near schools
- ✓ Sharing time with community leaders, parents and children

Get started at

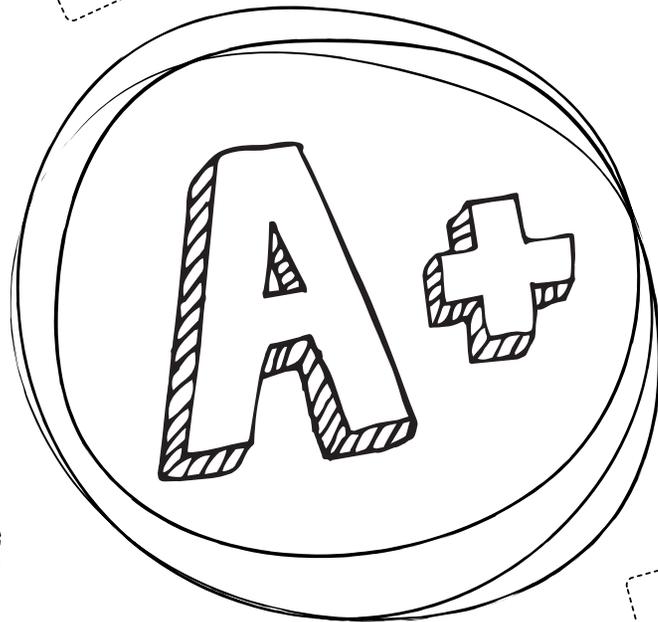
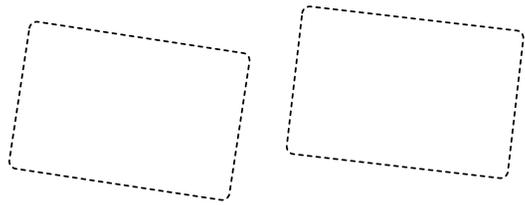
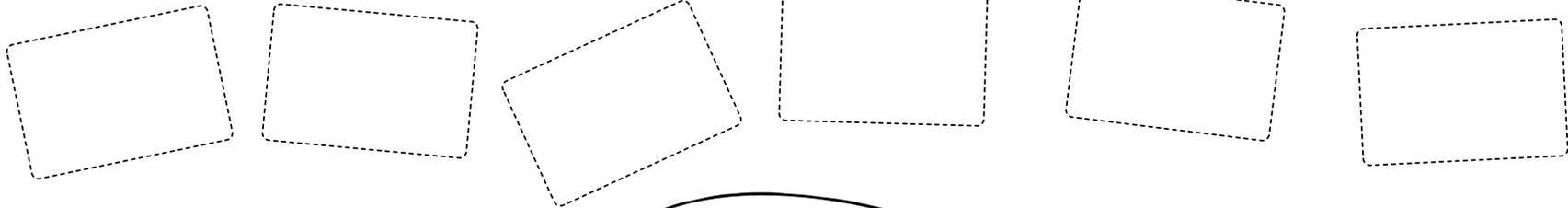
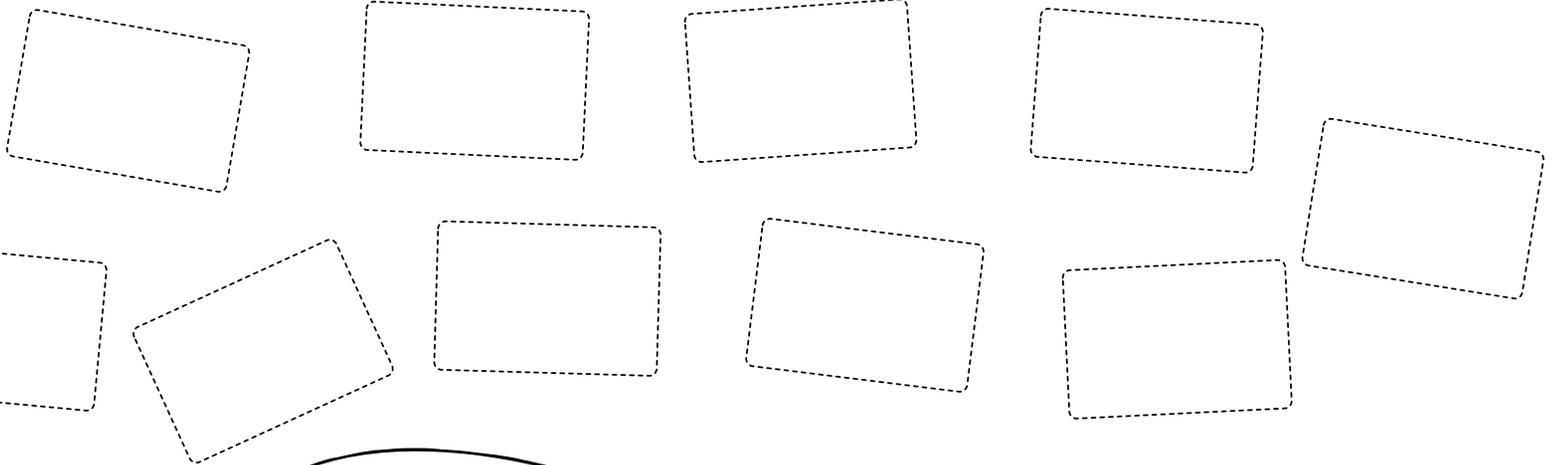
[walkbiketoschool.org](http://walkbiketoschool.org)

Your local coordinator:

Sarah Barthel & Megan Neitzel

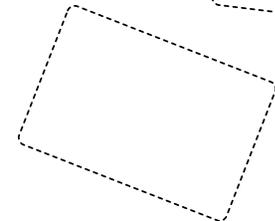
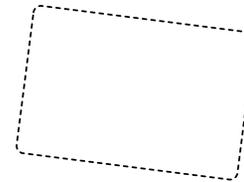
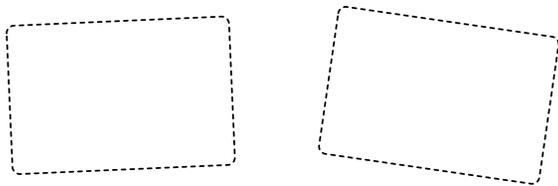
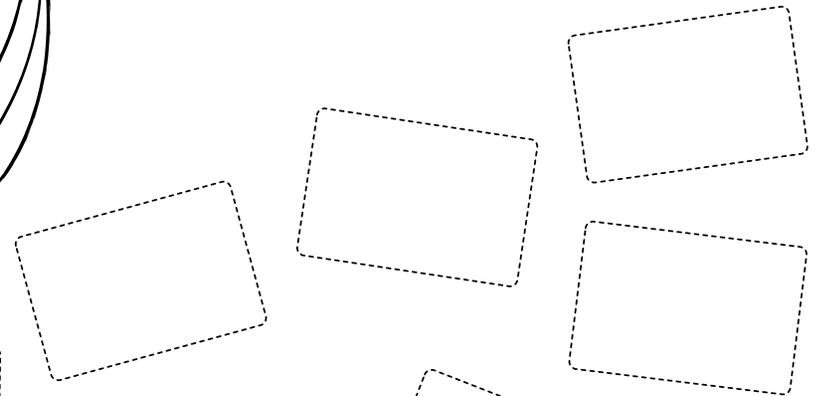
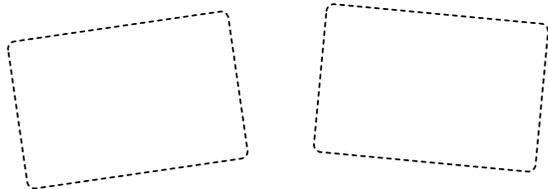
Walk to School Day is coordinated in the U.S.A. by the National Center for Safe Routes to School.





**BOX TOPS  
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Thank you for helping! Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school.  
Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet - please submit them separately.  
To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, go to [BTFE.com](http://BTFE.com).

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