



MOSHANNON VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. John W. Zesiger, Superintendent

August 10, 2023

Moshannon Valley Families, Students, and Staff,

The new school year is upon us, and we wanted to provide some important information. The first day of school for all students is Thursday, August 24, 2023. Several highlights for the opening of the school are listed below.

Back-to-School Night

Tuesday, August 22nd, from 5:00 pm – 6:45 pm at both the high school and elementary school.

High School

- Student schedules will be accessible in Skyward on Monday; August 21st. Paper copies will not be handed out from the Office and will only be available for pickup during the Back to School Night. Any schedule-related questions are to be directed to HS Counselor, Mrs. Jayne Kitko, jkitko@movalley.org (814)-378-7616 ext. 2009 beginning Tuesday, August 22nd.
- Summer Library Program will be held from 3:00-4:45 in the High School Collaboration Center
- Grade 7 families and students should report to the HS Auditorium by 5:00 pm to begin orientation.
- Students and families in grades 8-12 can pick up schedules in the High School Main Office Lobby beginning at 5:00 pm.
- Everyone is welcome to tour the building and take an opportunity to meet and talk with their teachers.

Elementary School

- Families and students should report directly to their student's homeroom.
- Kindergarten Orientation will run from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm and families should meet at 6:15 pm in the Kindergarten Commons for an informational session.

Working Together to Ensure Every Student Succeeds

Meet the Knights & Damsels

- Tuesday, August 22nd at 7:15 pm at CNB Bank Football Stadium. The Knight Booster Club will have the concession stand open for those who wish to grab something to eat prior to or during the event. We hope you will come and see our Varsity and Jr. High Fall sports teams, cheerleading squads, and the Black Knight Marching Band.

Fall Sports Pictures

- The fall athletic pictures are scheduled for Tuesday, August 22nd, the times for the various programs are listed.
 - 9:30-10:30 Volleyball
 - 11:00-11:30 JH Soccer
 - 11:30-12:00 V Soccer
 - 12:00-12:45 Varsity Cheer
 - 12:45-1:30 JH Cheer
 - 1:30-2:30 Band
 - 2:30-3:00 JH Football
 - 3:00-3:30 Cross Country
 - 3:30-4:30 Varsity Football

Text Message Option Available for School Notices

Text Messaging Service is available for school messages straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.

You can participate in this free service just by sending a text message of “Y” or “Yes” to our school’s short code number, 67587. You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with “Stop”.

The system will be live beginning September 1, 2023, and anyone who does not register prior, will be prompted on September 1st to register from SchoolMessenger.

Our School Messenger System is compliant with the Student Privacy Pledge so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.

Bus Transportation

- The link to bus time schedules can be found on the District website under [Transportation](#).

Private Transportation / Student Drivers

Any students who are traveling to school using private transportation ***cannot arrive prior to 8:00 am at the Elementary or 7:50 am at the High School***. Private transportation procedures will be the same as last year. Family drop-off at the Jr.-Sr. High School is the Main Office Entrance.

Any HS students driving will need to complete a parking application to receive their parking pass. Applications are available in the Main Office and are to be returned to the Main Office. The cost of a student driver parking pass is \$10.00.

At dismissal, all HS student drivers and parent pick-up will exit from the HS Auditorium Entrance following school bus departure.

Free Breakfast & Lunch for All Students

The District has an approved Community Eligibility Provision [CEP] program through the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, which provides one free breakfast and one free lunch daily to each and every student in the District. Families do not need to complete any application. Additional full meals may be purchased at the program-required rate of \$4.75 for lunch and \$2.40 for breakfast. Additional information is available on the [Cafeteria Web Page](#).

After-School Learning Programs

Both the elementary and high school after-school learning programs will return on September 12, 2023. They will take place Tuesdays and Thursdays like last year. There will be limited centralized location transportation provided. Watch for more details to come.

We could not be more excited to have our students return for the new school year. Welcome back!

Sincerely,

John W. Zesiger, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools