Back to School Family Night / Open House
Thursday Sept. 12

Join us for a free community supper of lasagna and spaghetti, along with salad and bread, followed by a Meet and Greet with your child’s teachers. As we’ve done the past two years, we will have a family dinner in the MA Dining Hall for both MCS and MA followed by an opportunity to wander the two schools and meet your child’s teachers. We’ll end the evening with an ice cream buffet in the MA Dining Hall for all who care to partake.

Back to School Night is meant to be an informal opportunity to connect with teachers and to learn more about what goes on in class. More in-depth and confidential meetings with your child’s teacher or teachers can be set up at any time simply by calling or emailing the teacher(s) you would like to meet with. Hope to see you and the whole family on the 12th.

The schedule for the night is as follows:

5:15-6:00 pm  Spaghetti Supper – MA Dining Hall
6:00-7:00 pm  Teachers Available – MA and MCS
6:30-7:00 pm  Ice cream buffet – MA Dining Hall

HOMECOMING WEEKEND WILL BE SEPT. 27 AND 28

The Thirteenth Annual Moultonborough Academy Homecoming Parade will kick off Friday afternoon Sept. 27 at 2:00 pm. High School class floats will display this year’s Nintendo theme in grand and creative fashion soon to be followed by the MA Marching Band and the various Middle School Base Camps. The students love an audience, so come join the fun along the parade route (Note: the route may change this year – stay tuned for further information).

The schedule of athletic events for the weekend is posted on the MA Home Page under “Athletics” which can be found under “Information.” Come out and support our teams!!!
ATHLETIC SCHEDULES
The most accurate and up-to-date source for all Moultonborough Academy athletic events is the on-line schedule found on the MA home page. Click on “Athletics” under “Information” to find the current schedule for any of our teams. Games are subject to postponements and cancellations due to weather so it’s always a good idea to check on-line for the most recent game schedules.

School Picture Day is Wednesday, Sept. 11th
The school picture form is being mailed directly from Hockmeyer Studios and should arrive in the mail soon. Please let the office know if you don’t get a picture packet and we can provide one.

Late Bus
Late buses run from both MA and MCS Monday through Thursday. They leave MA at about 4:00 pm and stop to pick up students at MCS before driving students home. Students wishing to take the late bus home from MA MUST sign up with the After School Supervisor in the dining hall right after school.

Directory Information
It is the policy of the Moultonborough School District (Board policy JRA) to release “directory information” (name, address, telephone, etc.) to external agencies such as colleges or military recruiters upon receipt of a formal request for such information. Parents who do not wish to have this information released should contact the MA office staff before September 27th.
PAC

The MA Parent Advisory Council (PAC) was founded 18 years ago as an informal meeting of parents and the MA principal in an attempt to provide a better avenue of communication to and from parents of MA students. This tradition will continue in the coming school year but with a separation of levels. With the new configuration of grades in the Moultonborough School District, the Middle Level PAC (grades 5-8) and the High School PAC (grades 9-12) will become separate entities. Parents of students at either level are welcome to attend the corresponding PAC meeting or to attend both if they have students at both levels.

The MA High School Parent Advisory Council will meet once per quarter (schedule below) and the Middle Level Parent Advisory Council will meet once at the mid-year point and once toward the end of the year (dates to be determined).

MA High School Parent Advisory Council meeting schedule:
1st quarter Monday
2nd quarter Thursday
3rd quarter Monday March 2
4th quarter Thursday May 7

All meetings are in the SAU Conference room from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

Any parent wishing to receive email notification of upcoming PAC meetings or to receive meeting minutes should call or email Pam Perkins at the Academy office and ask to be put on the email list.

PAWS

The MA Panther Academic Work Session (PAWS) block has undergone some significant changes for the coming school year, particularly at the High School level. Each Monday the PAWS Advisors will review student’s grades and determine if a student is on Red Status or Green Status. Students who are currently failing a class or who have an incomplete grade in a class will be placed on Red status. This means their PAWS Advisor will schedule the student to an academic setting where they can access their teachers for help.

Students who are passing all of their classes and who don’t have any incomplete grades will be placed on Green status and will be allowed to schedule themselves. In addition to being able to see their teachers or to go to the library/media center, students on Green status will also have other choices available to them. We are excited to be offering three Open choices each week (the gym, the art room, and the tech ed. room), to have a Sustained Silent Reading setting three days per week, to have one general study hall for students to work or quietly socialize each day, and to build in other Enrichment opportunities as the year progresses. We are very hopeful that this change will allow teachers to focus their attention on the students who need them the most.

Enclosed Letters:
There are two enclosures being sent home along with this First Quarter Newsletter. The first is a letter taken from our Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) about what to do in the case of an emergency at Moultonborough Academy. We ask that you please read this letter in order to help us keep all of our children safe.

The second letter is a questionnaire related to the Students in Transition (SIT) Program. We are required by law to provide assistance to families who are temporarily displace and the first step in that process is to identify those families in our community. We would appreciate it if you would fill out the Questionnaire and return it to the Academy office.