# BULLDOG BULLETIN HANCOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL

January 2024 - Middle of Tri 2

## Principal's Blurb

It is hard to believe that we are already at the halfway point in the school year! Students have settled into the MS routine quite well and we are working our way through the longest stretch of school without a break. We get a bit spoiled early in the year with the timing of Thanksgiving Break and Christmas Break pretty close together.

Wing Ding week is coming up; the first full week in February. This doesn't have a huge impact on the MS students, we participate in the dress up days and the assembly at the end of the week. Be on the look out for the dress up day calendar, though.

A big excitement for the Middle School is March; the start of MS month! Throughout the entire month there will be dress up days, activities and competitions to help keep the energy up in the building until Spring Break!

As always, please reach out if there is anything that I can do to help your child!

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## Thank you!

In connection with the Young Americans for Freedom at MTU, students in the Middle School donated 435 pounds of supplies and about 400 letters to be sent to troops that are currently deployed!

#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES IN TRIMESTER 2:

FEBRUARY 16 NO SCHOOL AREA-WIDE PD DAY

> FEBRUARY 19 NO SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 28 EARLY DISMISSAL

MARCH 7 EXAMS; 7TH AND 8TH GRADE

MARCH 8 EXAMS: 7TH AND 8TH GRADE LAST DAY OF TRIMESTER 2 HALF DAY SCHOOL



### **Advisory Winners**

Human Pipeline: Hauswirth

**School-Wide Musical Chairs** Huffman (Sawyer Martens)

> Granny Basketball Hiltunen

Over/Under Football Extravaganza Hauswirth

> Silent Ball TBD Friday!





With the unusual winter this year, all grades were able to take advantage of the "ice rink" on the track for PE class!



6th and 7th graders were able to get some unique science lessons at MTU with the Mind Trekkers event in December.







Mrs. Schneiderhan brought back the 6th grade play this year! The students did a great job performing "The Grinch". Elementary students were able to <mark>see a performance as</mark> well.



"Attitude is the 'little' thing that makes a big difference." WINSTON CHURCHILL

#### PBIS

PBIS is about teaching routines and expectations in school in a positive manner. We focus on behaviors, academics and attendance in students as all three are predictors of success in the future.

Through consistent expectations and enforcement throughout the school, now in our third full year of doing PBIS, we are seeing positive results in student behavior. Here is a chart showing the number of behaviors on average per school day each month of the school year. After an increase in November, we have had a steady decline the last 2 months!

