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**Montabella Welcomes Greg Pscodna ~
Athletic Director/Dean of Students**

Greg Pscodna joins Montabella after spending six seasons (2012-17) as the head football coach at Alma College, a NCAA Division III institution. A coach with over 20 years of experience, Pscodna is the former head football coach of NCAA Division III Defiance (Ohio) College (1996-2002) and served as an assistant coach on national championship teams at Grand Valley State University (2003, NCAA Division II) and Albion College (1994, NCAA Division III).

A 1986 graduate of Adrian College, Pscodna earned a Master of Arts in Physical Education and Exercise Science from Michigan State University in 1989. He is married to Susan and the couple have two children - Kaitlyn and Dan. Greg and his family reside in Alma.

Charlie Hicks Welcome to Montabella

Charlie Hicks will be joining the Montabella staff this fall as the district Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) coordinator and math instructional coach. As the MTSS coordinator, Charlie will be working with teacher groups on establishing policies and procedures for how we determine support for students that are struggling both behaviorally and academically. The other half of the time, he will be working with math teachers to help ensure that we are providing the best possible math instruction that we can for our students.

Charlie is a 12-year veteran teacher at the secondary level. His last job was a high school math teacher at Flint Beecher where he served as a high school math teacher and an instructional coach. In addition to being a certified teacher, he also holds an administrative certificate through the state of Michigan. Charlie received his bachelor's degree from Ferris State University, his master's degree from Grand Canyon University and his Educational Specialist degree from University of Michigan Flint. Welcome to Mustang County, Mr. Hicks!

2nd Semester Honor Roll

* **4pt Highest Honors Grade 12** Babcock, Allysa*-Collins, Haley-Dalrymple, Carson-Harkness, Gage*-Henry, Liberty*-Kohn, Allen*-Renne, Mason-Rios, Mackenna-Wisner, Lauryn* **Grade 11** Colburn, Eleesha-Lee, Juyoung-Riley, Connor **Grade 10** Adgate, Olivia*-Dalrymple, Mason-Keller, Alan-Knopf, Brooklynn-Rose, Jordan* **Grade 9** Barnes, Zoey*-Bolton, Kendall-Burggren, Parker-Byrne, Conner-Chaney, Maycee*-Hadley, Abigail-Harkness, Taylor-Hunt, Brenna*-Keim, Cheyenne-Lam, Elizabeth-Lutz, Natalie-Nickerson, Roman-Scott, Mya-Snyder, Helena-Vizineau, Jessa-Wilkinson, Nolan-Willis, Hannah* **Grade 8** Courser, Sara-Daily, Riley-Peters, Zachary **Grade 7** Binge, Ryan*-Dykhuis, Dakota-Knopf, Alanna-Miller, Kaitlynn-Palmer, Hope*-Quackenbush, Sadie*-Smith, Justin **High Honors Grade 12** Balhorn, Jordan-Chaffee, Adam-Chaney, Ariaah-Donnelly, Luke-Eberhardt, Tanner-Gormley, David-Hallock, Tristin-Helmer, Zoe-Kimball, Collin-McQueen, Kayla-Peabody, Taylor-Quackenbush, Calvin **Grade 11** Keilholtz, Laura-Willemstein, Trentin **Grade 10** Compagnari, Alyson-Goltz, Rose-Ludwig, Maggie-Pant, Paige-Peters, Nathaniel-Wright, Patricia **Grade 9** Burggren, Madison-Collins, Megan-Deal, Paje-Ferguson, McKeegan-Gormley, Jonathan-Hurt, Gavin-Ingraham, Korbyn-Jensen, Kathleen-Jensen, Makenna-Kent, Gavin-Lopez-Morales, Eder-Mitchell, Blain-Renne, Camron **Grade 8** Austin, Madison-McElhaney, Hailee-Spohn, Julie-Walwark, Alyssa **Grade 7** Bailey, Makenna-Daws, William-Deal, Hana-Fitzgerald, Stanley-Jerome, Kase-Judge, Evan-Kelsey, Andrew-Lake, Landen-Lam, Kaleb Jonathan-Lobert, Lily-Peterson, Logan **Honors Grade 12** Arnold, Cody-Baker, Ryan-Bonasse, Olivia-Christensen, Cody-Cole, Kourtney-Ellsworth, Felicia-Houghton, Joseph-Keller, Rachelle-Lang, Samantha-Miller, Cassandra-Nemetz, Leticia-Raglin, Eryn-Reed, Alexander-Skiver, Melinda-Theisen, Caitie-Wright, Brooke **Grade 11** Boerma, Laura-Chaney, Garrett -Gee, Courtney-Lippert, Lucas **Grade 10** Bennett, Hunter-Christensen, Morgan-Courser, Paige-Hemmingsen, Arturo-Hoover, Whitney-Jordan, Lauren-Mazurkiewicz, John-Moore, Jacee-Neumann, RJ-Qualls, Donovan-Turner, Aiden-Warchuck, Rylee **Grade 9** Babosh, Mercedes-Davis, Ashley-Ruthruff, Michael-Wood, Xavier **Grade 8** Cook, Ryan-Johnston, MaLinda-Tallent, Anthony-Walkington, Riley-Weigold, Gracie-Wheeldon, Brandon **Grade 7** Bedard, Tanis-Bovee, Blake-Capobianco, Ayden-Cutler, Chloe-Kotenko, Ella-Nelson, Logan-Papendick, Jac-Rose, Alexandria



Shelly Millis ~ Superintendent's Message

Thank You for Your Support

On behalf of the staff and students at Montabella Community Schools, I would like to thank the Montabella community for their support of the bond proposal at the May election. The bond will allow us to address some concerns with our facilities while also maintaining the mileage rate for taxpayers. The

bond specifically will allow for updates in security and learning environments for our students.

The focus now shifts to planning and designing the upgrades that are part of the bond. One thing to keep in mind is that the project is divided into two phases so part of the work will be completed in 2019 and the remaining of the work will begin in 2021 and hopefully all of the work will be completed by 2022. The phase one work will include the addition between the two buildings that will connect the facility into one campus. The connector includes the addition of a Central Office so all school operations will be on the same site.

Many of you are probably anxious to see the work get started and I am too. There is a lot of behind the scenes work that has begun and will continue over the next several months. The timeline listed below gives you a general idea of what to expect with the bond project over the next year.

- Summer 2018 - Fall 2018: Design of the spaces begin with all the specific details about structure, materials, and equipment. The architects will develop plans that reflect the design.
- Winter 2019: Request for proposals will be released to contractors and subcontractors for the work that will be conducted. Bids will be awarded to qualified companies.
- Spring 2019: Work begins!
- Fall 2019: Phase 1 work is completed and wrapped up.

Additional details and schedules will be updated on our website as they become available. The design should be board approved and available for viewing by the middle of September. Follow along with the progress and updates at www.montabella.com.

2017-2018 5th & 6th Six Weeks R.E.A.L. Mustang Pride Honor Roll

Respect--Explore--Achieve--Lead

These students have a "C" or better grade in all classes and have not had any discipline referrals

7th Grade: Sydney Adgate, Makenna Bailey, Ryan Binge, Blake Bovee, Mason Burggren, Chloe Cutler, William Daws, Hana Deal, Dakota Dykhuis, Stanley Fitzgerald, Jonathon Hubble, Alexis Jordan, Evan Judge, Andrew Kelsey, Alanna Knopf, Kaleb Lam, SilasLam, Lily Lobert, Kaitlynn Miller, Mariso Pacheco-Hernandez, Hope Palmer, Jac Papendick, Sadie Quackenbush, Justin Smith

8th Grade: Ryan Cook, Sara Courser, Riley Daily, Tristin Decker, MaLindaJohnston, Hailee McElhaney, Zachary Peters, Julie Spohn, Mark Stanley, Anthony Tallent, Alyssa Walwark, Brandon Wheeldon, **9th Grade:** Zoey Barnes, Kendall Bolton, Madison Burggren, Parker Burggren, Conner Byrne, Maycee Chaney, Megan Collins, Paje Deal, McKeegan Ferguson, Jonathan Gormley, Taylor Harkness, Brenna Hunt, Gavin Hurt, Kathleen Jensen, Makenna Jensen, Cheyenne Keim, Elizabeth Lam, Natalie Lutz, Blain Mitchell, Roman Nickerson, Camron Renne, Helena Snyder, Jessa Vizineau, Nolan Wilkinson, Hannah Willis,

10th Grade: Olivia Adgate, Emily Ashbaugh, Morgan Christensen, Alyson Compagnari, Paige Courser, Cory Daily, Mason Dalrymple, Alexis Ferman, Rose Goltz, Arturo Hemmingsen, Lauren Jordan, Brooklynn Knopf, Maggie Ludwig, John Mazurkiewicz, RJ Neumann, Paige Pant, Nathaniel Peters, Tyler Powell, Donovan Qualls, Jordan Rose, Savannah Smith, Aiden Turner, Rylee Warchuck, **11th Grade:** Laura Boerma, Eleesha Colburn, Ethan Crawford, Lucas Deck, Courtney Gee, Laura Keilholtz, Juyoung Lee, Seth Lubguban, AlexanderMitchell, Jasmine Racine, Connor Riley, Trentin Willemstein, **12th Grade:** Cody Arnold, Allysa Babcock, Jordan Balhorn, Olivia Bonasse, Ariaiah Chaney, Kourtney Cole, Haley Collins, Carson Dalrymple, Luke Donnelly, Tanner Eberhardt, DavidGormley, Tristin Hallock, Gage Harkness, Liberty Henry, Lindsey Hoover, Brandan Hubble, Collin Kimball, Autumn Kindred-Delamater, Allen Kohn, Kayla McQueen, Leticia Nemetz, Taylor Peabody, Mackenna Rios, Lauryn Wisner, Brooke Wright

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TITLE I

Title I is a federally funded program designed to provide additional help for students based on local eligibility criteria. Title I support is available for all students at Montabella Community Schools who meet the criteria. At the elementary level, students may work outside the classroom with Title I staff or a Title I staff member may assist students within the classroom; at the secondary level Title I staff may provide services through a course within the students daily schedule. The parent of any student has the right to request the professional qualifications of all teachers and paraprofessionals working with the student. Requests can be made at the school offices. A students' success in school is directly related to the quality of communication and shared commitment which exists between the home and school. In order to emphasize this point and to respect the Title I guidelines, a school/parent compact, or statement of mutual understanding, is put forth. The purposes of the compact are to identify conditions that are supportive of academic success and to highlight areas of shared responsibility in your student's school experience.

MONTABELLA ELEMENTARY COMPACT: TEACHER/STUDENT/PARENT AGREEMENT TEACHER COMMITMENT, I will: Provide a variety of teaching strategies to best meet all student learning styles. Provide a positive atmosphere for teaching and learning. Be flexible to meet individual student needs. Maintain high expectations for myself and my students. Value the uniqueness of each child and his/her family.

STUDENT COMMITMENT, I will:

Bring the necessary materials (completed homework, pencil, textbooks) needed to class each day. Ask questions when I don't understand something. Always try to work to the best of my ability. Show respect for myself, my school, other students, and other's belongings. Accept responsibility and consequences for my actions. Follow all school, classroom, and home rules.

PARENT COMMITMENT, I will:

Support the school staff in regards to my students' educational and behavioral progress. Provide a structured time and place for study at home. Encourage my child to complete and return all homework assignments. Communicate with the school any concerns regarding my child's progress. See that my child attends school regularly and is punctual. I will contact the school when my child is absent. Be a reading role model for my child and by having him/her see me read and encouraging my child to read at home.

MONTABELLA JR/SR HIGH PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENTCOMPACT: A PROMISE OF COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

As a Title I school, Montabella Jr./Sr. High School has created a form that states the responsibilities of parents, teachers, and students to ensure that a quality education is available through the efforts of all three parties.

Parent/Guardian Responsibility: It is important to have my child reach his/her full academic potential. Therefore, I will:

Believe my child can learn. Show respect and support for my child, the staff, and the school, and recognize and respect diverse cultures within the school. Remind my student of behavior expectations at Montabella Jr./Sr. High and support the school in its efforts to maintain proper discipline and provide a safe and orderly learning environment. Make sure my student is on time and strives for 100% attendance and will contact the school when absent. Check with my child daily regarding information sent from school, major assignments given, and current grade levels. Encourage my child to participate in class, complete as much homework as possible, and take advantage of available remediation opportunities. Promote an environment at home so my child understands that living in a group, whether it be a family or classroom, requires standards of behavior and cooperation, and that one must accept the consequences of one's actions. Use internet reports or progress reports to monitor my student's achievement in specific classes. Attend conferences, meetings, parent nights and participate in school committees when available. Keep lines of communication open and model respect by going to the teacher first when there is a concern.

Educator Responsibility: Student must be given the opportunity to succeed. Therefore, I will:

Believe each child can learn. Show respect and support for my students, their parents, and recognize and respect diverse cultures within the school.

Demonstrate professional behavior and a positive attitude.

Provide a positive atmosphere for teaching and learning in the classroom and guidance and support in GASS class. (Guidance for Academic Student Success) Enforce the rules and policies of the school consistently and fairly.

Make efficient use of academic learning time. Provide individualized strategies to increase student competencies as needed (i.e., organizational strategies, test-taking strategies, reading strategies). Utilize a wide range of teaching techniques to benefit the wide range of learning styles in order to meet the state curriculum standards and ensure student success on state assessments. Strive to teach, not to tell. Maintain open lines of communication with students and parents in order to support their learning and respond to parent communication within 24 hours, when appropriate.

Student Responsibility: it is important that I do the best that I can. Therefore, I will:

Believe that I can learn. Show respect for my parents, my peers (and their belongings), the staff, and the school, and recognize and respect diverse cultures within the school. Follow rules at my home and school. Come to school every day prepared, ready to learn and be in class on time. Give my parents (or guardian) all papers and information sent home with me from school. Finish my schoolwork and participate in classroom activities. Take responsibility for my actions. Take advantage of guidance, support, and additional time offered in GASS class. Take advantage of the additional opportunities offered to me through tutoring and remediation classes. Communicate with my teachers and parents by asking for help when I need it.

FAMILY RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 require school districts to make available to parents and students the contents of student records maintained by the school.

A procedure has been established with allows **parents** who are interested in examining their child's record to contact the building principal where the child attends school to make arrangements for the examination. If, after examination, the parent (or student who has reached the age of majority) conclude that the file is in error or in any way disagrees with the contents, they are afforded the opportunity to challenge the record. Further, a due process hearing is afforded, if desired. Those who examine the records and conclude that they would like a copy will be able to obtain one from the school for a nominal fee.

The official administrative student record contains such information as the record of academic work completed, level of achievement, intelligence and achievement test score, attendance dates, teacher or counselor ratings, etc.

Notification of Rights under FERPA for elementary and secondary institutions and designation of directory information;

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the district receives a request for access.
2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believe are inaccurate or misleading. Parents or eligible students may ask Montabella Community Schools to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school administrator, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading.
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interest. A school official is a person employed by the district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the district has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist) or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance service committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an educational record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Montabella Community Schools, PO Box 349, Edmore, MI 48829 989-427-5148

2018/2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Aug 21 ~ First Day of School

Aug 31/Sept 3 ~ NO SCHOOL Labor Day Weekend

Sept 19 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Sept 20 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Oct 17-18 ~ Parent Teacher Conference

Oct 19 ~ NO SCHOOL

Oct 31 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Nov 1 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Nov 15 ~ NO SCHOOL Safety Day

Nov 22-23 ~ NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving

Dec 20 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Dec 21 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Dec 24 ~ Jan 4 ~ NO SCHOOL Holiday Break

Feb 13 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Feb 14 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

Mar 6-7 Parent Teacher Conference

Mar 8 ~ NO SCHOOL

Mar 25-29 ~ NO SCHOOL Spring Break

April 10 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

April 11 ~ 1/2 Day Students released at 12:15

April 19 ~ NO SCHOOL Good Friday

April 22 ~ Flex day, snow day make up, if needed

May 24 ~ Flex Day, snow day make up, if needed

May 27 ~ NO SCHOOL Memorial Day

June 4 ~ Last Day of School for Students

OPEN HOUSE AUGUST 20 4:30 TO 6:00

Registration Dates

Seniors~ Wednesday, August 8th 12:00—3:00 pm

8th Grade~ Wednesday, August 8th 4:00—6:00 pm

Juniors~ Thursday, August 9th 12:00—3:00 pm

Sophomores ~ Thursday, August 9th 4:00—6:00 pm

These date are not for new students.

New students should contact the school office to set up a meeting.
989-427-5175

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

On Tuesday , August 14th, 6-8 pm **MANDATORY ORIENTATION** for freshmen and their parents. Please plan to be there for the entire time and to attend all required sessions. Student will receive their final schedule at the end of the evening. Parents and students will review the handbooks, sports eligibility requirements, extra-curricular activities, graduation requirements, counseling services, and the internet usage policy.

7th GRADE ORIENTATION

On Thursday, August 15th, beginning at 6-8 pm, there will be an orientation for all 7th grade students and their parents. Please plan to be there for the entire time and to attend all sessions. Students will received their final schedule at the end of the night. Lockers will also be issued at this time.

SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

Watch or dial into one of these stations

WLNS-TV 6 Lansing ~ WOOD-TV 8 Grand Rapids

WWTW 9 Cadillac ~ WJRT TV 12 Flint ~

WNEM TV 5 Bay City ~ WZZM TV 13 Grand Rapids

WGLM 106.3FM Greenville ~ WGEN 94.5 The Moose

WCFX 95.3 Mt Pleasant/Clare ~ WCZY 104.3 Mt Pleasant

Or www.montabella.com or
automated phone system at 989-427-5149.

Save your coke caps and redeem at Cokegives or turn in to any office. We get cash for our schools.



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Turn in your box tops
to any office

2018-19 picture day is Wednesday, September 26th Retakes will be October 29th.

MONTABELLA JR/SR HIGH

FALL SPORTS SCHEDULES

JV/Varsity Girls Volleyball

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|--------------|--------------|--|----------|---------------|
| Wed. | 08/15 | Alma-Scrimmage | A | 5:00 |
| Sat. | 08/18 | WMVOA Officials for Kids Tour @ MSA Fieldhouse in Grand Rapids | A | 8:00am |
| Sat. | 08/18 | Beal City-JV Only | A | 9:00am |
| Tue. | 08/21 | Central Montcalm JV Quad | H | 4:30 |
| Sat. | 08/25 | Carson City-Crystal (Varsity) | A | 9:00am |
| Wed. | 08/29 | Evert High School | A | 6:00 |
| Sat. | 09/08 | Mustang Invite (Varsity) | H | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 09/11 | Vestaburg | H | 5:30 |
| Sat. | 09/15 | Lakeview Tournament (Varsity) | A | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 09/18 | Sacred Heart Academy | A | 5:30 |
| Sat. | 09/22 | St. Louis (Varsity) | A | 8:00am |
| Tues. | 09/25 | Merrill | H | 5:30 |
| Sat. | 09/29 | Mustang JV Invite | H | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 10/02 | Ashley | H | 5:30 |
| Thur. | 10/04 | Central Montcalm (JV) | A | 5:00 |
| Sat. | 10/06 | Sacred Heart Academy (JV) | A | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 10/09 | Coleman | A | 5:30 |
| Sat. | 10/13 | Perry High School (Var) | A | 9:00am |
| Sat. | 10/13 | Bath (JV Only) | A | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 10/16 | Breckenridge | H | 5:30 |
| Thur. | 10/18 | Chippewa Hills | H | 5:30 |
| Sat. | 10/20 | Crossroads Charter (Varsity) | A | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 10/23 | Carson City Crystal | A | 5:30 |
| Thurs. | 10/25 | Crossroads Charter Academy | A | 6:00 |
| Sat. | 10/27 | MSAC League Tournament | H | 9:00am |

Middle School Volleyball

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|-------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Mon. | 09/10 | Vestaburg | H | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 09/12 | Breckenridge | A | 4:30 |
| Mon. | 09/17 | Ashley | H | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 09/19 | Carson City-Crystal | A | 4:30 |
| Mon. | 09/24 | Coleman | H | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 09/26 | Merrill | H | 4:30 |
| Mon. | 10/01 | Sacred Heart Academy | A | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 10/03 | Vestaburg | A | 4:30 |
| Mon. | 10/08 | Breckenridge | H | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 10/10 | Ashley | A | 4:30 |
| Mon. | 10/15 | Carson City-Crystal | H | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 10/17 | Coleman | A | 4:30 |

Middle School Cross County

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|-------------|--------------|-------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Wed. | 09/05 | Shepherd Invite | A | 5:00 |
| Sat. | 09/08 | Central Montcalm | A | 8:30 |
| Tues. | 09/11 | Beal City Invite | A | 4:00 |
| Wed. | 09/19 | MSAC Jamboree #1-Ashley | A | 4:30 |
| Wed. | 10/03 | MSAC Jamboree #2-Breckenridge | A | 4:30 |
| Fri. | 10/12 | Mustang Invitational | H | 4:00 |
| Wed. | 10/17 | MSAC- Carson City-Crystal | A | 4:30 |

Varsity Football

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|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Thur. | 08/16 | Holton-Scrimmage | A | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 08/23 | St. Louis | H | 7:00 |
| Thur. | 08/30 | Wyoming Lee | A | 7:30 |
| Fri. | 09/07 | Breckenridge | H | 7:00 |
| Fri. | 09/14 | Vestaburg- HOMECOMING | H | 7:00 |
| Fri. | 09/21 | Carson City-Crystal | A | 7:00 |
| Fri. | 09/28 | Merrill-Military Game | H | 7:00 |
| Fri. | 10/05 | Coleman | A | 7:00 |
| Fri. | 10/12 | Adrian Lenawee Christian | H | 7:30 |
| Fri. | 10/19 | Saranac | A | 7:00 |

J.V. Football

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|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Thur. | 08/16 | Holton-Scrimmage | A | 3:00 |
| Wed. | 08/22 | St. Louis | A | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 08/30 | Wyoming Lee | A | 5:00 |
| Thur. | 09/06 | Breckenridge | A | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 09/13 | Vestaburg | A | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 09/20 | Carson City-Crystal | H | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 09/27 | Merrill | A | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 10/04 | Coleman | H | 6:00 |
| Thur. | 10/18 | Saranac | H | 6:00 |

Middle School Football

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|--------------|--------------|---------------------|----------|-------------|
| Wed. | 09/05 | Fulton | H | 5:30 |
| Tues. | 09/11 | Ashley | H | 5:30 |
| Tues. | 09/18 | Fowler | A | 5:30 |
| Tues. | 09/25 | Merrill | A | 5:30 |
| Tues. | 10/09 | Breckenridge | H | 5:30 |
| Tues. | 10/16 | Carson City-Crystal | A | 5:30 |

Cross County

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|-------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Sat. | 08/25 | Benzie Central | A | 9:00am |
| Tues. | 08/28 | Corunna | A | 4:00 |
| Wed. | 09/05 | Shepherd Invite | A | 5:00 |
| Sat. | 09/08 | Central Montcalm Invite | A | 8:30am |
| Wed. | 09/19 | MSAC Jamboree #1 Ashley | A | 4:30 |
| Sat. | 09/22 | Evert Invitational | A | 10:00am |
| Sat. | 09/29 | Carson City-Crystal | A | 9:00am |
| Wed. | 10/03 | MSAC Jamboree #2-Breckenridge | A | 4:30 |
| Sat. | 10/06 | Portage Invite | A | 9:00am |
| Fri. | 10/12 | Montabella Invite | H | 4:00 |
| Wed. | 10/17 | MSAC Championship Carson City-Crystal | A | 4:30 |
| Fri. | 10/26 | Regionals @ Shepherd | A | TBA |

SCHOOL OF CHOICE

Montabella Community Schools school choice procedures. All students that were previously accepted into Montabella Community Schools through school of choice will remain students of the district until transferring. Students do not need to reapply to remain at Montabella Schools. If a non-resident student transfers out of Montabella Schools, in order to return the student must go through the school of choice application procedures. School of choice application periods are closed on the dates indicated. Non-resident students will remain in their school of choice district until the next application period, which is at the start of each semester. The only transfer allowed during non-application periods is a transfer back to the student's resident district. Fall application period runs through **August 24, 2018**. Second semester open enrollment period will be from **December 10, 2018 through January 11, 2019**. Application forms can be found at www.montabella.com, or any office in the district.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) will not have assessment and accountability data ready for schools until fall. Therefore, Montabella Community Schools Annual Education Reports are not available at this time. When new public reporting requirements are released from the MDE the annual report will be published and available at the central office and at each building office.

ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS

Information about adult education classes, GED preparation, and GED testing can be found on the Mt. Pleasant Community Education website mtpleasantchools.net/Domain/15 or call 989-775-2370

Central Montcalm Public Schools also offers adult education classes. Information can be found on the Central Montcalm Community Education website www.central-montcalm.org or 989-831-2402

DANGEROUS WEAPONS LAW

As the school year begins, students and parents should be reminded of the Dangerous Weapons Law. Section 1311, paragraph 2 of the State School Code gives district Boards of Education the power and the authority to expel students possessing dangerous weapons on school grounds. There are guidelines that the Board of Education must follow when determining the consequences for violating the Dangerous Weapons Law. With heightened national concern regarding school violence, please be aware, and make your child aware, of the danger and consequences resulting from bringing or possessing any type of weapon on school property. What may be a unique or beautiful part of a knife or gun collection at home, will be considered a "dangerous weapon" when brought to school. Appropriate action will be taken by school administration.

IMMUNIZATIONS

New vaccination regulations have been put in place that affect any student changing schools, as well as those who will be enrolled in the 6th grade. Please visit www.michigan.gov/teenvaccines for more information.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATORY POLICY

It is the policy of the Montabella Community Schools that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity or in employment. Grievance procedures for the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendment Act of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, are available by contacting the Montabella Central Office at 989-427-5148

BUILD UP MICHIGAN (Project Find)

In Michigan we know that education begins at birth. We also know that some of our children need extra help or other related special services along the way. That's why Michigan's special education system helps children as young as newborns and up to age 26. Build Up Michigan provides information about special education programs and services and helps to arrange free evaluations to find out if a child is eligible for extra help from any of Michigan's public schools. If a child you know is struggling in school or has a physical, emotional or communication problem that might prevent success in school, call Build Up Michigan. We're here to help. Contact your building principal or call 800-252-0052, visit www.BuildUpMichigan.org You can also contact Angie Porter at the MAISD 616-225-4830.

HOMELESS

In order that homeless youth receive the necessary means and measures of appropriate teacher and learning, both State and Federal Government along with Local School Districts are required to provide a coordinated effort to assure that such services are available and delivered. Such provisions generally include but are not limited to free lunch, Title I services, and when possible, transportation to the students school of origin. It is important to understand that income is typically not the main factor in the identification of and qualification for homeless status. Should you have concerns about homeless youth within our school district, you are encouraged to contact any of our school counselors, school social workers, or school administrators. The designated homeless liaison for Montabella Community Schools is Mr. Greg Pscodna, Dean of Students/AD. He can be reached at 989-427-5154 or 5175. Or at mweese@montabella.com

Who is homeless? (Sec.725) The term "homeless children and youth" - -

(A) means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence; and

(B) Includes - -

(i) children and youth who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative accommodations; or are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement; (ii) children and youth who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings... (iii) children and youth who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and (iv) migratory children who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).

PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

Public Law 93.380 provides:

An education agency or institution may disclose personally identifiable information from the education records of a student who is in attendance at the institution or agency if the information had been designated as directory information 45 C.F.R.99.37(a). According to Section 99.37(a) of Public Law 93.380, the following information is designated as directory information with respect to all past and present students of the Montabella Community Schools: 1) Name; 2) Address; 3) Telephone Number; 4) Date and Place of Birth; 5) Major or minor fields of study and courses taken; 6) participation in officially recognized activities and sports; 7) Weight and height of member of athletic teams; 8) Dates of attendance; 9) Degrees and awards; 10) The most recent previous educational agency or institution attended by the student; and 11) Other similar personally identifiable information.

If you, as parent, do not want this type of personally identifiable information made part of publicity, please send a letter of notification designating the specific categories of information you do not want released with respect to your child. Direct this letter of notification to: Montabella Central Office, PO Box 349, Edmore MI 48829. In accordance with this law, a parent or student currently in attendance in the Montabella Community Schools has ten (10) days from the date of this notice to file written notice to the school district.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Payton Sheldon, Riley Daily, Cameron Renne, Tyler Powell, Laura Boerma, Rachelle Keller
 Bryce Cornwell, Sophia Belson, Jasmine Klummp, Olivia Lau, Lincoln Snyder, Samantha Perry
 Lesley Burggren, Emmalyne Shaw, Raelynn Baez, Brooklyn Rausch, Seana Johnson, Kayden Sisco
 Brendan Dolson Nisonger, Nathan Vorhees, Rongyi Zhu, Ambrea Humphrey, Cooper Bolton, Kaydenn Aggas

Kalvin Quackenbush MVT is Mr. Gormley. He has taught me a thing or two during my high school career and didn't try to kill me. :) So, thank you Mr. Gormley for making my high school experience a good one for the books.



Parker Wray MVT is Mr. Simon

Mr. Simon always inspired me to create new ideas and think outside the box. He is not afraid to speak his mind if something is wrong.

Allen Kohn not pictured **Chose Mr. Simon as his MVT**
 Through his mechanical drafting classes, I found my liking for mechanical engineering. There are many students other than myself that have good cause to thank him.

Leticia Nemetz MVT is Mr. Kauffman. "He has always encouraged me to do my best. He pushed me to see my potential and taught me to believe in myself. For that I thank him for not only being my teacher and coach, but also my friend."



Eryn Raglin MVT is Mrs. Carrier
 "She taught me how to write cursive and when we followed directions, she would give us food or candy as a reward. Even now as a senior, I still talk with Mrs. Carrier. Thank you Mrs. Carrier for starting me out on the right path for school."



MOST VALUABLE TEACHER

AJ Snyder MVT is Mr. Niehof "Out of all the classes, I have had in high school this is the one I have enjoyed the most. Not only is he a great teacher he is a friend. Thank you for helping make my senior year great."



Libby Henry would like to award her **MVT to Mr. Kauffman.**



Caitie Theisen MVT is Mr. Urbanawiz. Mr. U has always been a teacher I could talk to about anything. He is willing to help me with any work I did not understand whether it was his class or not. Mr. U is truly one of Montabella's finest."



Ryan Baker MVT is Mrs. Reisbig. She showed she really cared about me as a student because she continued to help me with my classes even after she was not my official teacher. Thank you Mrs. Reisbig for helping me pass my classes and helping me to graduate.

PESTICIDE APPLICATION NOTIFICATION

Montabella Community Schools are required by state regulation 637 to ask if parents would like to be notified of any pesticide application that might be needed in their child's school. Please be advised that pesticide application will be scheduled when students are not in the buildings. Inspections are planned on a quarterly basis and applications of pesticides are then scheduled, if needed. The first inspection is done in August. The other quarterly inspections will also be when school is not in session. In certain emergencies, pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but parents will be provided notice following any such application. Precautions will always be taken to insure the safety of the students. Should you have any questions or concerns about pest management within your child's school, please contact Shelly Millis, Superintendent, at 989-427-5148. Please notify us by returning to your school office the form that follows if you wish to be notified regarding pesticide application.



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Parent/Guardian Name _____

Student Name _____

Street address _____

City _____

Phone: _____

Daytime _____ Evening _____

Please Check One:

I wish to be notified prior to a scheduled pesticide treatment in side the building.

I wish to be notified prior to a scheduled pesticide treatment on outside grounds of the school.

Both of the Above

Signature _____ Date _____

Meetings ~ Third Monday of the Month

Montabella Central Office Board Room

302 West Main St. PO Box 349, Edmore MI 48829

989-427-5148 (p) 989-427-3828 (f)

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Katie Ludwig, Trustee

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Important Food Service Information

FREE BREAKFAST and LUNCH

NEW FOR THE START OF 18/19 SCHOOL YEAR

**Montabella will be participating in a program called
Community Eligibility Provision**

**which allows all students to receive a free nutritious breakfast
and lunch each day at school.**

**Families are no longer required to fill out the free and reduced
applications to receive this benefit.**

**Additional information will be distributed
as it becomes available**

DON'T LOSE YOUR BUS RIDING PRIVILAGES

Follow these rules:

1. Observe same conduct as in the classroom
2. Be courteous, use no profane language
3. Do not eat or drink on the bus
4. Keep the bus clean.
5. Cooperate with the bus driver.
6. Do not smoke.
7. Do not be destructive.
8. Stay in your seat.
9. Keep head, hands and feet inside the bus.
10. The bus driver is authorized to assign seats.



Say thank you to our AmVets who raise our Flag at every home football game.