

Superintendent Communiqué



Midland Public Schools

Inspiring Excellence

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MPS INCLUSION & DIVERSITY VISION STATEMENT

Everyone in our school community is valued, safe, treated with kindness and respect, and works together to make our community and world a better place.



**MIDLAND HIGH'S VICTORY DAY IS
TODAY (9/23) AT 5:45 AT
MIDLAND COMMUNITY STADIUM!
Admission is free! All are welcome!**



Spearheaded by MHS gym teacher and track coach, Diane Sugnet, the Chemic football team, cheerleaders, marching band and coaches are making an evening of memories that provides achievement

and recognition for 20 special needs students. Join us for this fun, memorable event.

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In last week's MHS Chemic announcements was the following, "... *What it means to belong is feeling like you're at home. You feel included when talking to friends and can connect and grow with one another. You feel valued, and like you don't need to act or dress a certain way to be liked or respected. As Chemics, we should all feel like we belong. No matter what gender, race, or sexual orientation we identify as, we should all feel the love and pride that is spread throughout the school.*"

MPS students and staff show kindness every day. However, we would be remiss if we didn't point out that MPS is also the recipients of amazing kindness from our community in so many different ways.



**No School
Monday, Sept. 30**

One great example is the Midland Nazarene Church and their work with Siebert Elementary. During yesterday's rainy day, these kindness stewards completed work on the Siebert playground. **Thank you, Midland Nazarene!**



MPS NEEDS SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS!

DO YOU

- ➔ enjoy working with children?
- ➔ have at least 60 college credits?
- ➔ want to work part-time?
- ➔ want all of the same days off as your child?

**Did you answer yes?
Substitute teaching may
be a great fit for YOU!**

**AS AN MPS SUB,
YOU CAN CHOOSE...**

- ➔ the days you work
- ➔ the grade levels for which you will sub
- ➔ the MPS schools for which you will sub

Midland Public Schools contracts through **EDUStaff** for our substitute teachers.

For more information go to
www.edustaff.org **TODAY!**



MPS CONNECT is a great communications tool for you to connect with me. Every message comes to my desktop. Either I or a member of our staff will do all we can to reply to your message the next work day. Click here to connect with me: <https://goo.gl/forms/ciB8b7FAMXb4pQxN2>



Here is the link for **MPS School Lunch Program** Information.

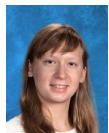
<http://chartwellsk12.compass-usa.com/MidlandPublicSchools>

A new free/reduced application is required every year!

Here is the link to the on-line application. www.lunchapp.com.

IMPORTANT—Any child's lunch account that is currently receiving free/reduced lunches who has not completed a new application (or is not directly certified) will be set to full pay on October 14.

If you have any questions, please call Jackie at 923-5062.

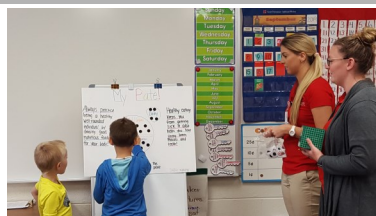


Midland Public Schools' very own **Sasha Konovalenko, HH Dow High Senior**, qualified for and competed at the 2019 World Youth Chess Championships held in Salobreña (Granada), Spain September 10-14.

We are excited to report that Sasha finished 7th in the World Youth Rapid Chess Championship and 2nd in the World Youth Blitz Chess Championship, earning a silver medal in Girls' U18 section.

200 players from around the world participated—USA, Netherlands, India, Israel, Portugal, Austria, Vietnam, Slovenia, Italy, Algeria, Denmark, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Armenia, Greece, Russia, Kazakhstan, Chile, Germany, Tajikistan and Spain!

Congrats, Sasha! We are proud of you!



Saginaw Valley State University nursing students completed the community health component of their program by joining a class for two days: one day to observe and interact and the next to present a

mini lesson. These pics are from Ms. Deal's 1st Grade Siebert Elementary classroom last week.



**PLEASE USE CAUTION IN ALL MPS SCHOOL ZONES!
PLEASE BE KIND, PATIENT AND FLEXIBLE!
YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY IS OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY!**



MPS VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer for MPS, register at <https://www.midlandps.org/volunteer>.

Already registered? Be sure you took care of your volunteer continuation for the 2019-20 school year, especially Level 3's.

Level 2 volunteer driver? Please keep your driving documents up-to-date.

Questions or changes to your volunteer profile?

Contact: Renee Urlaub, Volunteer Manager, 923-5034.



JOIN US for 2019-20 PIC Meetings!

The MPS

Parent Information Committee

is chaired by Superintendent Sharrow to share information and keep lines of communication open with parents.

**For the 2019-20 school year,
the PIC group will meet the
1st WEDNESDAY
OF EACH MONTH
from October through May
from 12:00-1:00 at the
MPS Administration Center
(600 E. Carpenter).**

Meeting dates:

October 2 December 4 March 4
November 6 February 5 May 6

(You will note there are not meetings in January or April. The first Wednesday falls during winter & spring breaks.)

PIC participants are welcome to bring their lunch and come every month or just the months when their schedule allows. Topics for discussion are always timely and student programming centered.

If you are interested in being part of the 2019-20 PIC, please complete this very brief form:

<https://forms.gle/dNj7fFifwpKJbSyf7>

Call Cindy at 923-5026 if you have questions.



Join our Team

MPS Current Job Openings

Click on this link for current job postings:

<https://www.applitrack.com/mps/onlineapp/jobpostings/view.asp>

Position	Location	Posting End Date
Coach, Assistant, Wrestling	HH Dow HS	until filled
MTSS Coordinator	District	until filled
Paraprofessional	Secondary	9/24/2019
Paraprofessional (multiple positions)	Central Park ES	9/24/2019
Paraprofessional	Northeast MS	9/24/2019
School Psychologist	District	until filled
Teacher, Special Education	Elementary	9/24/2019

MPS Team Shining Star Nominations

are now being accepted for the 2019-20 school year for MPS staff members who you feel make MPS a better place for students.

Please take a moment to nominate an MPS team member today!

<https://www.midlandps.org/shining-star-nomination-form>

In addition to the job openings above,

BUS DRIVERS and PARAPROFESSIONALS
are needed in our
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
for the 2019-20 School Year!

Interested in working with children? Want the same days off as your child?

Consider becoming a member of the MPS Transportation Team!

Requirements:

- High school diploma or GED
- Pass criminal background check
- **DRIVERS:** Pass pre-employment drug test, physical/back assessment
- **PARAS:** Pass physical/back assessment & Work Keys

Additional Details:

- Flexible schedule
- AM & PM routes available
- No experience required
- Paid training
- Both Regular & Sub Drivers and Paraprofessionals are needed

Salary:

- Bus driver: \$13.54/hour starting salary ... within four years: \$17.15/hour
- Paraprofessional/Sub Paraprofessional: \$9.65/hour to start with steps to \$13.12

Want to know more?

- Contact MPS Transportation (923-5041) today for info or to apply!

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YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/MidlandPublicSchools>

Student Flyers:

<https://sites.google.com/midlandps.org/studentflyers/>

Community Flyers:

<https://sites.google.com/midlandps.org/communityflyers/>

Administration	923-5001
Adams Elementary	923-6037
Carpenter Pre-Primary	923-6411
Central Park Elem.	923-6836
Chestnut Hill Elem.	923-6634
Plymouth Elementary	923-7616
Siebert Elementary	923-7835
Woodcrest Elementary	923-7940
Jefferson Middle	923-5873
Northeast Middle	923-5772
H. H. Dow High	923-5382
Midland High	923-5181

MPS Board of Education Members:

- ➔ Pam Singer, President
- ➔ Scott McFarland, Vice President
- ➔ Lynn Baker, Secretary
- ➔ Mary Fredell, Treasurer
- ➔ Brad Blasy, Trustee
- ➔ Jon Lauderbach, Trustee
- ➔ Phil Rausch, Trustee

*wise thought to
ponder ...*

*"Kindness and a generous spirit
go a long way. And a sense of
humor. It's like medicine—very
healing." -- Max Irons*