

Union Elementary School

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Scott A. White, Principal
Allison Davis, Administrative Assistant

January 17, 2025

Dates to Remember

Monday, January 20th
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day -
No School

Wednesday, January 22nd
Grade 4 going to the Snow Bowl for the Learn
to Ski Program

January 27 - 31
NWEA Testing- Grades 3-6

Wednesday, January 29th
Grade 4 going to the Snow Bowl for the Learn
to Ski Program

Thursday, January 30th
Students in Grades 4, 5, & 6 are going to a
screening of *Lost on a Mountain in Maine* at the
Strand Theater

Wednesday, February 5th
Early Release Day- dismissal
@ 1:15 p.m.

Friday, February 7th
Granite Coast Orthodontics visit- 9:00-12:00
Grades PK-4

Tuesday, February 11th
Winter Concert @ UES @ 2:00 p.m.

Winter Break
February 17-21
No School

Wednesday, March 8th
Early Release Day- dismissal
@ 1:15 p.m.

A reminder about snacks & drinks at school:

Snack: All classrooms provide a time during the day for snacks. Healthy snacks are encouraged. Gum, candy, soda, "Energy" drinks, and other caffeine drinks are not allowed.

[UES Student Handbook](#)

Illness at UES

We have had many students with different illnesses since Christmas break here at school. Please refer to the guidelines below when making decisions about whether or not to send your child to school.

Guidelines For When To Keep Your Child Home

If you question whether your child is well enough to go to school, the following guidelines may be helpful:

- Vomiting, diarrhea: A child with these conditions should be kept at home until symptoms have resolved for 12 hours and the child is able to keep down food and liquid. Consult your doctor if fever and stomach pains persist or your child appears dehydrated.
- Cold, sore throat, cough: Children average six to eight colds per year. If cold and cough symptoms are associated with a fever or they do not readily improve, call your doctor. Your child may attend school if there is no fever.
- Red eyes: When the white part of the eye appears red and produces a yellow or green crusty discharge, call your doctor during office hours. Your child may have conjunctivitis, a common condition that may be a contagious infection. Your child may need an eye ointment, and may attend school after 24 hours of treatment.
- Fever: Your child may attend school with a temperature less than 100 degrees
- Rash: A rash is usually a sign of a viral illness. It also may be a reaction to a medication or chemical. If your child has an unusual rash or it is associated with a fever, contact your doctor. Keep your child home until you have discussed the rash with your doctor.

If a student attends school with any of the above symptoms, school personnel may call a parent/guardian and ask that the child be taken out of school. Parents/guardians are asked to furnish the school with the name and telephone number of two persons the school may contact in an emergency if parents cannot be reached. After an illness, please do not request that your child remain indoors during recess periods, except for rare instances. When a child is well enough to come to school, he/she should be able to participate in all regular school activities, unless a physician's note restricts activity, such as physical education.

Please call the office at 785-4330 by 10:00AM on the day of the absence to explain the reason for missing school.

Students recognized for positive behaviors!!

Our PBIS monthly theme for January is Honesty/Trust. These students are truthful and trustworthy.

Congratulations to these students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

Pre K - Karsyn Bragg & Theo Harlow
Kindergarten - Lincoln Fickett & Scarlett Bowen
1st Grade - Phoebe Bonatakis & Ben Paulsen
2nd Grade - Ashton Bowen & Gloria Grubb
3rd Grade - Isabelle Cahill & Lauren Burns
4th Grade - Benny Taylor & Everitt Williams
5th Grade - Eli Wood & Isaac Parent
6th Grade - Colby Calderwood & Hunter Esancy

Super Citizens



Community Climb Night @ Kieve to benefit Mr. White & family

Kieve is hosting a community climb night where anyone in the community is welcome to come to the Kieve campus and try out the indoor rock wall!

Join us this Friday (1/17) from 6-8pm at Kieve in Nobleboro to climb in support of Union Elementary School Principal Scott White's fight against cancer. Pizza will be provided at the indoor climbing wall located in the Buck building on the Kieve campus. Suggested donation of \$10 per person. 100% of proceeds will be donated to Mr. White and his family.

AIO Weekend Meals Program

Just a reminder that families can sign up for the weekend meals program at any time during the school year. We can send home a form with your child or you can just contact Mrs. Davis in the office and she can add you to the list. The students who sign up will receive a bag every Friday here at school from the AIO Food Pantry. There is no cost to enroll and no qualification guidelines. Everyone is welcome to sign up! These bags contain a selection of fun, healthy, easy to prepare snacks and meals.

Message from the Food Service Director:

Milk for students who bring a meal from home is no longer free. Unfortunately, we used up our grant money that was being used for this purpose. The cost is now .50 per milk and it is considered an a-la-carte item. We cannot allow students to charge a-la-carte items. So, please, add money to your child's account if they plan to purchase milk to go with their meal from home.

Milk still comes with all breakfast and lunches provided by the school (ticket meals). Meals from school are at no cost.

If you want to add money to your child's account and keep track of your child's meal transactions and balance, you can sign up for Myschoolbucks. It is a program through Heartland School Solutions. The program is free and viewing transactions and balances are free, but they do charge a fee to add money to your child's account. To sign up, go to Myschoolbucks.org

You can also send money into your child's school and it will be added to their accounts. Please put the money in a sealed envelope. Add your child's name and kitchen or food service on the outside of the envelope. This will help us make sure it goes to the right child's meal account.

Thanks,

Storm Hendrickson
Food Service Director



Hello Union Baseball families,

As winter settles in, it's not too early to think about the upcoming season of baseball here in Union. For those of you who already have players in the league, you know our program is 100% volunteer staffed from my position as president to all of our great coaches. It's these commitments that make our program strong and support the greater Medomak Valley Little League program.

I've been involved in Union Little League since my son was in first grade and have enjoyed every minute but now that he is a Sophomore at MVHS, it's time for me to step aside and let the next leadership team take our Union Baseball program to the next level.

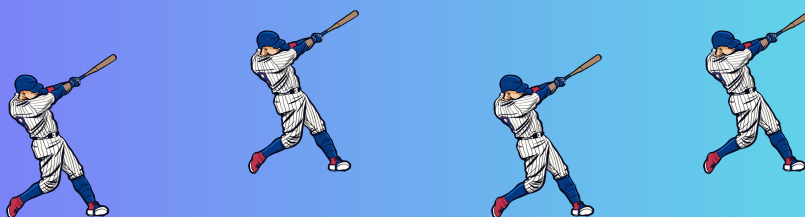
I'd like to fill the role of President and also fill a Vice President position to spread the roles and responsibilities out so as not to overwhelm anyone. These are some of the duties this co-leadership team would manage:

- The President/VP is the liaison for Union Baseball at MVLL
- Schedule sign ups with the school.
- Identify coaches, collect volunteer paperwork, work out practice schedules.
- Seek out sponsors for uniforms and order uniforms.
- Reach out to field sponsors (banners).
- Work with Chris Packard at the Town Office to order equipment.
- End of season BBQ.

I'm willing to help with this transition to ensure our program continues to thrive for our young players. Ideally if you have a player who will be in the league for the next 2 years, this is a great fit. If you just want to help and don't have kids in the program, that could work too. Please call or email me with any questions or interest. I'd like to begin the transition by the end of January.

Respectfully,

Patrick Hood
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MMS Wrestling

MMS Wrestling for RSU 40 boys & girls grades 5-8 begins on Jan 22. Please sign up in the Medomak Middle School main office or email Mr. Lash if you plan to wrestle. Reminder that each athlete needs a sports physical before the first practice. The three required forms are the Sports Participation Form, Concussion Information Sheet and the Acknowledgement and Consent Form. Those forms can be found in the MMS main office or on the Athletics page at www.rsu40.org. Click on "Programs" and then "Athletics".

FMI, please contact Matt Lash at matthew_lash@rsu40.org or Coach Steven Genthner at Stevegenthner6@gmail.com. Practices will be 6-7:30.

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 **FOR THE**
CAUSE



PINK OUT GAMES
to benefit Local Breast Cancer Charities

The Medomak Valley Athletic Department & the
MVHS Boosters invite you to get your **PINK** on

Medomak Valley Panthers
vs.
Belfast Lions

Varsity Girls @ 4:30 | Varsity Boys @ 6:00

January 20, 2025

Medomak Valley High School gymnasium