

# MOC-Floyd Valley Community School District



*Fostering learning, excellence and civic responsibility*

## Dutch Dialog

September 2019

### From Superintendent Russ Adams

Welcome back!

I am writing this message on the morning of the first day of school. What a joy to live a life where I have had 52 great first days of school – and I'm looking forward to even more. The first day is special because we are at our peak of hope! We can all look ahead with a sense of optimism that we can be our best selves, and live into our best lives. That is our pledge at MOC-Floyd Valley. We will do our very best to see and treat all of our students as their best selves. We will challenge them, support them, stretch them, and encourage them. We will do our best to live up to the three quotes I referenced in my first visit with staff this year.

1. We will “be the change you wish to see in the world.” (Mahatma Ghandi)
  - a. We wish for a positive, growth-focused, challenging, nurturing MOC-Floyd Valley.
2. We will “never, never, never give up!” (Winston Churchill)
  - b. We will do whatever it takes to fulfill our mission and foster excellence, learning, and civic responsibility.
3. We are “all for one and one for all.” (The Three Musketeers by Alexandre Dumas)
  - c. We are all in this together and having a mindset where we rely on, challenge and support each other increases the chances of everyone reaching their potential – and enjoying meaningful relationships along the way

As we map out the year, our foci are very similar to years past – and very much on target. They are:

#### Learning

We stretch and learn through relevant, important activities, productive struggle, and appropriate levels of support.

#### Climate & Culture to Support Learning

We will cultivate and nurture a positive culture and a commitment to continuous improvement.

#### Social & Emotional Well-Being to Support Learning

We will strive to address the social and emotional needs of students and staff so that everyone feels a sense of belonging at MOC-FV, and is able to learn and grow in a safe, supportive environment.

#### Safety to Support Learning

We will insure that our facilities and processes optimize the safety of students, staff, and visitors at all times.

#### Technology to Support Learning

We will utilize technology to deepen learning, increase connection with the world, and prepare our students for a future saturated with technology.

#### Communication to Support Learning

We will communicate with parents and others in a mission-focused, positive, productive manner.

#### Facilities & Resources to Support Learning

We will develop and maintain our facilities and resources with an emphasis on positively impacting student learning.

I am extremely confident that as we work together, stretch and learn, and strive to meet the needs of every individual, our students will have a remarkable school year and receive an outstanding education. I look forward to the journey ahead, and I am thankful to be making it with the students, families and educators of MOC-Floyd Valley!

With Gratitude and Respect,

Russ Adams, Superintendent



### Strive for Excellence

#### *Administration*

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## No School August 30 and September 2

There will be **no school** on Friday, August 30th, for students, due to staff development and no school on Monday, September 2, due to the Labor Day holiday.



## Friday Dismissals

Please notice below, the designated Friday - two-hour early (1:15) dismissals for professional development. The first is scheduled day is Friday, September 6, 2019.

*In the unlikely event that we have a weather-related late start on one of the scheduled professional development Fridays, we will cancel the early dismissal and attend until our regular 3:15 p.m. dismissal time.*

### MOC-Floyd Valley Professional Development- Early Dismissal Fridays

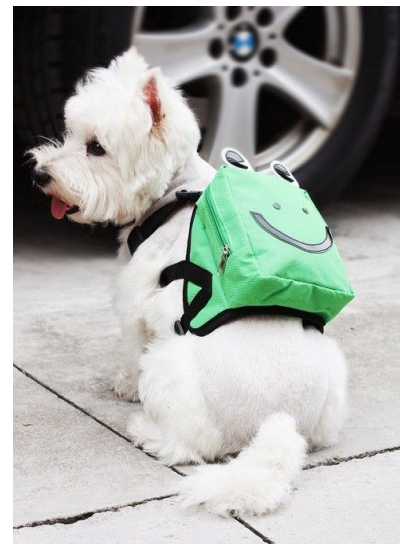
September 6,20  
 October 4, 18  
 November 8,22  
 December 6  
 January 24  
 February 7, 21  
 March 6, 20  
 April 24  
 May 8

## Box Tops for Education Labels

Orange City Elementary and Hospers Elementary will again be participating in the Box Tops for Education program sponsored by General Mills. Last year we earned over \$3,000. This money enables us to continue the reading incentive program and purchase library books. Please continue to save these red/pink labels along with the Gold Bonus labels they are putting on some products. If you don't have a student in elementary school, there are collection boxes in Don's Food Center. If you are collecting them for Hospers Elementary, please place them in a labeled envelope. Thank you!

## \*HEALTH FORMS AVAILABLE ONLINE\*

Medication Authorization Forms, Asthma Inhaler Permission Forms and Dental Screening Forms are just a few of the authorization forms that can be found on our website. Parents must fill out a medication authorization form if medication needs to be given to a student during school hours. Now you can find all the information on our home page. Just click on Resources at the top of the page, then Parent Resources and then look for the Health Forms Tab.



## Bus Information for Everyone

We are fortunate to have a team of drivers who are committed to transporting your children safely to and from school and school activities each day. We recognize how precious every student is, and want to make sure that we do all that we can to keep them safe – not only in school – but as they travel to and from school.

Below are a few things that parents and other drivers can do to help our drivers keep our students safe:

- 1) NEVER pass a stopped school bus while the stop-arm is extended – from either direction! This happens more than one might think –both on school grounds and at route stops in town and rural roads. The fines are steep, and more importantly, lives are at stake!
- 2) NEVER drive through or park in the bus loading and unloading areas at the buildings during the restricted times. There is too much congestion and the visibility is far too dangerous!
- 3) If you need to communicate with a driver, contact the school office or district office and the message will be relayed to the driver via radio. Drivers have been instructed not to allow anyone other than student passengers on to the bus. They have also been instructed not to stop and visit with anyone other than student passengers while transporting students.

We also try to clearly communicate student expectations while riding the school bus. Parents, please review these rules and expectations with your children and encourage them ride safely and respectfully!

### ***MOC-Floyd Valley Community School District Bus Rules & Expectations***

*A safe, orderly, and respectful environment for everyone is the expectation on the school bus. Whenever students are riding a school bus, whether on a regular route each day or on a field trip, they are responsible to follow these rules. Parents are urged to encourage good bus riding habits so that the driver may direct his or her attention to the surrounding traffic and to safe loading and unloading procedures.*

1. To ensure safety, the driver must be totally in charge. Students must respond promptly when instructions are given.
2. Students are asked to be quiet when the bus stops at railroad tracks.
3. Animals, oversized objects, glass containers, or any inappropriate materials (i.e. tobacco and related material, alcohol, and other prohibited items) are not allowed on the bus, as designated by School Board Policy.
4. Students must observe classroom and school-wide expectations as covered by the Student Handbook. Ordinary conversation is permitted. Horseplay, unruly behavior, fighting, abusive and obscene language or gestures are unacceptable. Kicking, hitting, pushing, spitting, yelling or screaming, littering or other inappropriate behaviors are forbidden on the bus, just as they are at school or on the school grounds.
5. Students must keep feet, backpacks, book bags and other items within the seating areas at all times. As much as possible, the aisles and stairwell must be clear of items and objects at all times.
6. All body parts must be kept inside the bus window at all times.
7. Students must remain seated in the same seat until they are dropped off at their bus stops. Moving about the bus while it is in motion is unsafe and unacceptable. A student must move out of a seat promptly if requested to do so by the driver or monitor.
8. Students will use the emergency door only in cases of emergency.
9. If a student causes damage to the bus, parents will be expected to pay for that damage.
10. Regular schedules must be observed. The bus will not wait for tardy students. Students must be at the bus stop 5 minutes before the scheduled pick up time.
11. Students should get on and off the bus only at their designated stops.
12. For safety reasons, students should not take pictures on the school bus. The resulting flash can be a hazard to the driver's vision.
13. Failure to follow these rules may result in a range of consequences up to and including suspension from transportation.

***Cameras have been installed and are utilized to maintain order and safety on our buses.***

**SCHOOL HEALTH NEWS:**  
**\*Ashley Van Voorst, RN - SCHOOL NURSE\***

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

Throughout your child's time at MOC-Floyd Valley, it is imperative that school/home communication is timely and effective. I am relatively new to this position, however, that doesn't lessen my passion to maximize students learning by creating a healthy environment with quality care. By providing this quality health care, it is our hope that all students will be able to achieve more.

The following suggestions are intended to help you make the fullest possible contribution to your child's success at school.

**Regular and punctual attendance** is a great factor in school success. Please have your child attend school every day and be on time. Allowing children to stay home unnecessarily makes it more difficult for them to succeed because they are constantly playing catchup. Poor attendance encourages poor attitudes towards future work and obligations.

**Keep us informed** of any conditions including:

- Medications that your child is taking, or needs to take at school. These include both prescription or over the counter medications.
- Fractures, casts, crutches, stitches, splints; if your child is unable to participate in recess or PE, please send a doctor's note.
- Contagious conditions
- Results of any follow-up tests

**Reminders:**

**Kindergarten** students: please turn in your vision and dental requirement, if you have not done so!

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** students: please turn in your vision requirement, if you have not done so!

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade** students: please turn in your Tdap requirement with a certificate of immunization, if you have not done so!

**Freshman** students: please turn in your dental requirement, if you have not done so!

**Vocal Music News! Vocal Music News!! Vocal Music News!!!**

**Choral Music Manual** - Last week, all high school vocal music students received two copies of the choral music manual. The students were asked to take one copy home to their parents. The manual covers all concert/contest performances, classroom policies, and a variety of other information! If you have not received one at home, please inquire with your child or call Mrs. Anderson at the high school (737-4871) for another copy!

**Dutch Dialog** - Please pay careful attention to the "Vocal Music News" article in each Dutch Dialog. This will serve to inform you of monthly information pertaining to the Vocal Music Program.

Thanks so much for your support of music education!!!

## CLASS OF 2020 SENIOR PICTURE INFORMATION

### Pictures due by November 15th

MOC-Floyd Valley High School will again offer a MEMORY BOOK for the 2019-20 school year. Jack Bonnecroy and Sandy Groom-Meeks will be working to produce this 2019-20 Memory Book. The memory book will be available for students and parents to order next spring.

#### SENIOR PICTURES:

2020 seniors will need to provide the following pictures by: **Friday, November 15th.**

1. vertical digital/scanned senior picture for the MEMORY BOOK
2. vertical digital/scanned senior picture for the CLASS COMPOSITE
3. vertical or horizontal digital/scanned senior picture for the SENIOR CLASS VIDEO
4. vertical child picture of each senior for the VIDEO (preferably digital/scanned, but will accept an original)

**\*\*For digital pictures, it is YOUR responsibility to get permission for any copyrighted picture.**

**\*\*All digital pictures should be saved as a JPEG file (.jpeg or .jpg) and submitted as an attachment to an email, on a CD or flash-drive.**

**\*\*Digital pictures must be at a resolution of at least 300 dpi. The higher the resolution the better the picture will reproduce in the memory book.**

**\*\*Submit digital pictures to school via your student on a CD or flash/jump/travel drive **OR** via email. Email is preferred. An advisor will copy the pictures off and then give the CD or flash/jump/travel drive back to your student. Pictures may be submitted to Sandy Groom-Meeks via email - [sgroommeeks@mocfv.org](mailto:sgroommeeks@mocfv.org) or Jack Bonnecroy at [jbonnecroy@mocfv.org](mailto:jbonnecroy@mocfv.org). Please send each picture in a separate email.**





# September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 No School-	3 4:30pm VB-JV MOC-Floyd Valley vs. Multiple Schools 4:30pm VB-Varsity MOC-Floyd Valley vs. Multiple Schools 5:00pm FB-9th Western Christian 5:00pm CC-JV-V Spirit Lake 6:45pm FB-JV Unity Christian	4 FFA Calumet Precision Ag Day- FFA Calumet Precision Ag Day-	5 4:30pm VB-9th TBD 7:00pm FB-Varsity (Date, Time & Location Changed from 09-06-19) LeMars	6 1:15pm Early Dismissal- FB-Varsity--(Date Changed-to-09-05-19)	7 9:00am VB-Varsity TBD
8	9 5:00pm FB-9th Central Lyon / GLR 6:45pm FB-JV Central Lyon / GLR	10 4:30pm CC-MS LeMars Middle 4:30pm VB-JV TBD 5:00pm CC-JV-V LeMars	11	12 3th Grade Instrument Display- @ Orange City Elementary HS Picture Day- MS Picture Day- 4:15pm FB-7th Sergeant Bluff-Luton MS 4:15pm FB-8th Sergeant Bluff-Luton MS 4:15pm VB-7th Sibley-Ocheyedan 4:15pm VB-8th Sibley-Ocheyedan 5:30pm VB-9th Okoboji 5:30pm VB-JV Okoboji 6:50pm VB-Varsity Okoboji	13 Picture Day- @ Orange City Elementary Picture Day- @ Hospers Elementary 7:00pm FB-Varsity Spencer	14 ACT Test- 8:00am VB-Varsity Unity Christian vs. Multiple Schools 9:00am CC-MS Ridge View 9:00am CC-JV-V Ridge View
15	16 4:00pm VB-8th Sergeant Bluff-Luton MS 4:15pm VB-7th Sergeant Bluff-Luton MS 4:30pm VB-9th TBD 5:00pm FB-9th South O'Brien 6:45pm FB-JV South O'Brien	17 4:15pm FB-8th LeMars Middle 4:15pm FB-7th LeMars Middle 4:30pm CC-MS Storm Lake 5:00pm CC-JV-V Storm Lake	18	19 4:15pm VB-7th Sheldon 4:15pm VB-8th Sheldon 5:30pm VB-9th Sioux Center 5:30pm VB-JV Sioux Center 6:50pm VB-Varsity Sioux Center	20 HS Band-Pursuit of Excellence-Marshall, MN- 1:15pm Early Dismissal- 7:00pm FB-Varsity West Lyon	21 9:00am VB-JV TBD 9:00am VB-Varsity TBD
22	23 2:45pm Homecoming Coronation- @ HS New Gym 4:15pm VB-8th Sioux Center 4:15pm VB-7th Sioux Center 4:30pm VB-9th TBD 5:00pm FB-9th West Lyon 6:45pm FB-JV West Lyon	24 4:15pm FB-8th Central Lyon / GLR 4:15pm FB-7th Central Lyon / GLR 4:30pm CC-MS Sheldon 5:00pm CC-JV-V Sheldon	25	26 4:15pm VB-8th LeMars Middle 4:15pm VB-7th LeMars Middle 5:30pm VB-9th West Lyon 5:30pm VB-JV West Lyon 6:50pm VB-Varsity West Lyon	27 7:00pm FB-Varsity Sheldon	28 HS Band-Star Fest-S. City-
29	30 5:00pm FB-9th BH / RV 6:45pm FB-JV BH / RV					

Calendar subject to change. For a complete list of school events and up-to-date information, please visit our website at [www.mocfv.org](http://www.mocfv.org).

# MOC-Floyd Valley September Breakfast Menu 2019



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>2</b> Labor Day No School	<b>3</b> Pancake Sausage Minis/Syrup Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS,MS)	<b>4</b> Toast/Jelly Egg Omelet Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>5</b> Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>6</b> Cinnamon Roll Minis Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)
<b>9</b> Cereal Yogurt Juice Fruit Milk  Muffin (HS, MS)	<b>10</b> French Toast Syrup Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>11</b> Toast/Jelly Eggs Juice Fruit Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>12</b> Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>13</b> Donuts Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)
<b>16</b> Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk  Donut Holes (HS, MS)	<b>17</b> Waffles Syrup Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>18</b> Toast w/jelly Scrambled eggs Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>19</b> Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>20</b> Cinnamon Roll Minis Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)
<b>23</b> Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk  Muffins (HS, MS)	<b>24</b> Pancake Sausage Minis/Syrup Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>25</b> Toast/Jelly Egg Omelet Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>26</b> Breakfast Pizza Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)	<b>27</b> Donuts Fruit Juice Milk  Cereal (HS, MS)
<b>30</b> Cereal Yogurt Fruit Juice Milk  Donut Holes (HS, MS)				

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# MOC-Floyd Valley September Lunch Menu 2019



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>2</b> Labor Day No School	<b>3</b> Taco in a Bag Cheese/Lettuce/Salsa Refried Beans Pineapple Side Kick Slush Cup Churro (MS, HS) Milk	<b>4</b> Hot Dog on a Bun Potato Wedges/ Ketchup Apple Cookie Milk	<b>5</b> Ham Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Green Beans Breadstick Kiwi Graham Snack (HS) Milk	<b>6</b> Hamburger on a Bun Cheese/Lettuce/ Tomatoes Confetti Fries/Ketchup Fruit Milk
<b>9</b> Deli Sub Sandwich Lettuce/Tomatoes Mayo/Mustard Hashbrown Patty Ketchup Broccoli Grapes Cookie (HS) Milk	<b>10</b> Pizza Breadstick/Marinara Corn Bananas Milk	<b>11</b> Tacos Lettuce/Tomato/ Cheese Baked Beans Pears Chips & Salsa (HS) Milk	<b>12</b> Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Cucumbers & Carrots Ranch Garlic Bread Applesauce Milk	<b>13</b> Popcorn Chicken/BBQ Sauce Potato Smiles Green Beans Oranges Dinner Roll Rice Crispy Bar (MS, HS) Milk
<b>16</b> Mr. Rib on a Bun/BBQ Sauce Tomatoes, Lettuce Baked Beans Confetti Fries/Ketchup Fruit Milk	<b>17</b> Chicken or Cheese Quesadilla Salsa Spinach Salad/Dressing Strawberries Milk	<b>18</b> Chicken Strips/ Ketchup Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy Broccoli/Cheese Dinner Roll/Jelly Fruit Cookie (HS) Milk	<b>19</b> French Toast Sticks/ Syrup Sausage Potato Wedges/Ketchup Peaches Orange Juice Milk	<b>20</b> Orange Chicken Rice Stir Fry Veggies Carrots Fruit Milk
<b>23</b> Nachos/Ground Beef Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato Baked Beans Carrots Fruit Milk	<b>24</b> Meatball Sub Cucumbers & Carrots/ Ranch Sun Chips Fruit Cup Milk	<b>25</b> Salisbury Steak Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy Green Beans Dinner Roll/Jelly Pineapple Milk	<b>26</b> Pizza Breadstick/Marinara Lettuce/Dressing Bananas Milk	<b>27</b> Egg Sausage & Cheese Sandwich Hash Brown Patty/ Ketchup Fruit Milk
<b>30</b> Creamed Chicken on a Bun Green Beans Strawberries Milk				

If you would like the calorie/allergen list emailed to you, please contact Stephanie Pottebaum at [spottebaum@mocfv.org](mailto:spottebaum@mocfv.org).

Click this link for allergen and carb info: <http://bit.ly/mocfv-newsletter>

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