

# Pioneer Blast

2018 Mooresville Schools HOPE Award winners were honored at Wednesday's all-staff meeting and Liz Hathaway from Northwood (right) was named district Teacher of the Year.

August 2, 2018

Mooresville Schools

## Superintendent's Message

# A Great Year Ahead



**Superintendent Randy Taylor**

We're excited for all that the new school year brings and thankful for all of the caring families who are joining us in these events to show students the importance of a strong school and family relationship. Every parent at Back to School night, every first day of school photo at the bus stop, and every family watching their high school student drive to school for the first time is a meaningful moment and a chance to tell our students we believe in them and we want them to have the best year possible.

Our enrollment trend of hundreds of students coming to Mooresville from outside our district boundaries continues, and we know that is due in large part to our dedicated school board, caring staff, strong curriculum, and a safe and nurturing environment. Being entrusted to provide these things to our children is a duty we do not take lightly, and one which we work to strengthen every day.

For many of our families, this will be the first year their child will be part of the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) curriculum program. We're excited to bring this award-winning program, which engages students in science, technology, engineering and math concepts in a fun, team-based environment, to all seven Mooresville Schools this year. This curriculum gives our students hands-on learning in a collaborative environment which promotes creative thinking and problem-solving. To learn more about PLTW, be sure to [watch our new district video](#).

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## Creative Thoughts

This year's back to school staff meeting included a video asking kindergarten students what they thought a school superintendent does. Learn their answers [on our YouTube video](#).

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We're happy to welcome our new teachers to Mooresville Schools!

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## Partnerships Provide Expanded Opportunities

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This year we have also expanded our counseling and behavioral health program with Adult and Child Services to increase services to those students who need it most as well as provide a stronger foundation for our youngest students through The Incredible Years curriculum for students from preschool to 3rd grade. The Incredible Years is a series of interlocking, evidence-based programs to address behavior issues and promote children's social, emotional, and academic competence.

Another important partnership for health and well-being is the one we have with Franciscan Health Mooresville. In the past, this partnership has brought vaccination clinics, athletic physicals, and athletic trainer resources to our students as well as a wellness clinic to our employees and their dependents. As we look toward the future, we are asking our school community for input on what services and programs will help with healthy living. [Click here to take part](#) in our community survey asking for your input on this important topic.

We also know that above all, our students, staff, and visitors need to feel safe at school. Our work in this area has been and will continue to be a priority. Our behavioral health program is a key component of safety, as it helps identify and assist those students who may have emotional needs and behaviors which should be addressed. Also this summer, we have received a safety grant which will allow us to purchase new digital radios and tower repeaters to better serve our entire district area, including all school buildings and bus routes,

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Joining the latest viral trend, North Madison staff members created their own lip sync video. [Find it here.](#)

## Safety Remains Top Priority

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with immediate communications to school administration and our school officers.

This grant will also allow us to increase the number of security cameras at our schools. In addition, our school district will receive



15 hand-held metal detectors as part of a new state program. School administrators and officers

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will be trained in their use and procedures in the coming weeks. Another component of our safety protocols is our visitor identification and verification system, which is undergoing enhancements to align information from all of our school and law enforcement databases seamlessly. These are just some of the programs we have to help maintain the safety of our students, staff, and visitors. Other safety measures are and will remain unseen and hopefully will never need to come to light.

We could not speak about our safety programs without recognizing the strong partnerships our school district has with law enforcement and emergency responders throughout our district. Our school security officers are all off-duty local police officers and provide our district with up-to-the-second communication and information when

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#### Before & After School Program

ON SITE at: Neil Armstrong \* Newby \*  
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2018-2019

Grades K-6

- Recreational Activity
- Homework Help
- Academic Enrichment
- Community Service Project
- Sliding Scale Fee (Based on Free & Reduced Lunch)
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## Community Support Is Critical, Appreciated

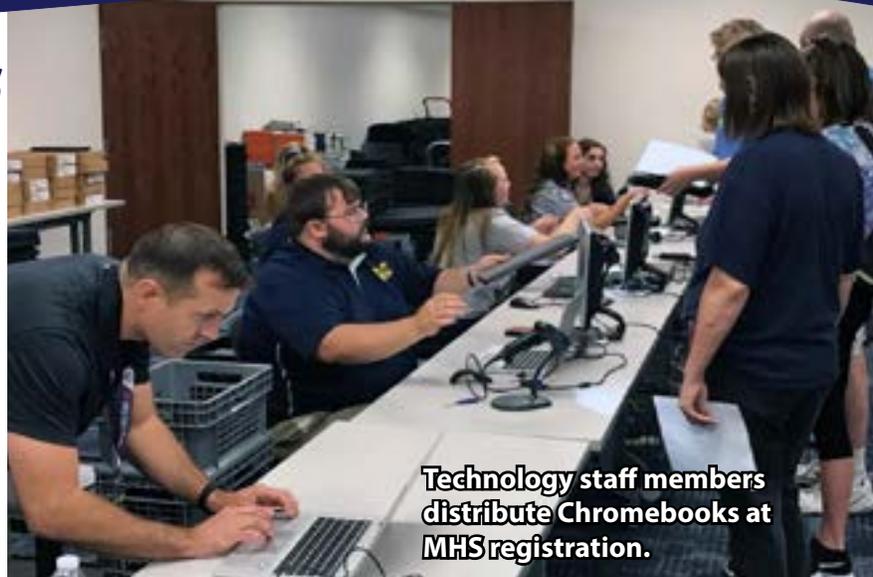
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issues arise in our school community. Our officers and all area departments take part in safety drills at least once each semester at each school building. Their dedication to knowing our buildings, staffs and students is tremendous. In addition, we have staff members trained as Indiana School Safety Specialists who receive training every year on the latest in school safety issues and trends and bring those lessons back to our schools. The collaboration and communication among these groups is outstanding and we cannot over-emphasize our thankfulness for these strong partnerships in our school community.

Most of all, we want to thank everyone in our community who has cared for our students. This past weekend dozens of local organizations and volunteers combined to create a Quality of Life Fair and School Supply Distribution which helped hundreds of families in need give their students a strong start to 2018-19. We cannot overstate the importance of this event, which puts smiles on the faces of our students and brought more than a few parents to tears. The kindness in Mooresville was on full display that day, and we know it will be for many more days throughout the year. We ask everyone in our community to continue that caring by looking out for our students. Please let us know if there is ever anything a student says or does which makes you concerned for their safety or the safety of others. Please monitor your children's social media and electronic devices for anything

which may be questionable or concerning. We have several links to safety and cyber-safety information available at [www.MooresvilleSchools.org/Parents](http://www.MooresvilleSchools.org/Parents) and encourage our families and community to use these resources.

Thank you again for everything that you've done to support our students and our staff. We truly appreciate our caring community.



Technology staff members distribute Chromebooks at MHS registration.





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## News Briefs

**Community Information:** Visit our [community information page](#) for fliers from local nonprofit groups with events in the area which benefit or involve students. Recent fliers include **Mooreville Park Rec & U, Flagtown 5K/10K and MCLA Run for a Cause 5K/10K.**

**Pioneer Regiment Community Night:** The Pioneer Regiment will host Community Night this Friday starting at 7p.m. to perform their show. Culver's custard cups will be for sale for \$2 as well. The band will perform at the Indiana State Fair on Saturday at 2p.m.

**Community Swim:** The MHS pool will be open for community swim/lap swim on Monday and Friday mornings 6:30-7:30a.m. beginning on Monday, Aug. 6. We hope to add a Wednesday morning swimming hours when we have a lifeguard available. Swimming is \$1 per person. Please enter door 8.

### 2018-19 Vaccination

**Requirements:** The Indiana 2018-19 Required and Recommended School Immunizations list is available [on our website](#). Students in grades K, 4, 6, and 12 should check to see that all boosters have been received. Vaccination information is due to schools by Tuesday, Sept. 4.

## Upcoming Events

**August 2- Neil Armstrong**  
3rd-6th Grade Open House 6-7 pm

**August 2 - North Madison**  
Back to School Night Gr. 3-4 6-7pm

**August 3 - Waverly**  
Preschool Open House 6:00-7:30 pm

**August 6 - North Madison**  
Back to School Night 5th-6th Grade 6-7pm

**August 7 - PHMS**  
Open House 6:00-7:30 pm

**August 8 - MHS**  
Meet the Teacher Night 6:30-8:00 pm

**August 9 - Waverly**  
Grade 3-6 Parent Information Night 6-7pm

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**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES at Bicentennial Park**  
Downtown Mooreville Saturdays @ 7p.m.

**2018 concerts** *FREE Admission*

June 9	<b>Wrong Side of Dixie</b> (Country)	June 23	<b>Ride That Train</b> (Classic Rock)
July 14	<b>Jennie Devoe</b> (Blues/Indie)	July 28	<b>The Renner French Band</b> (Pop & Folk)
Aug. 11	<b>Rebels of the Son</b> (Contemporary Pop & Rock)	Aug. 25	<b>Random Reaction</b> (Country & Rock)
Sept. 8	<b>8 Track Mind</b> (Classic Rock)	Sept. 22	<b>Spank &amp; Mickey</b> (Folk/Country/Bluegrass)

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