



Mt. Abram Regional High School

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Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians,

Welcome back to an exciting school year at beautiful Mt. Abram High School! I hope you had an enjoyable, relaxing and fun summer. I am looking forward to hearing from each of you about your adventures. We have a lot of awesome activities planned for you for your school year.

I am happy to welcome our new faculty & staff at MTA:

Mr. Brian Desilets-Assistant Principal & Athletic Director

Mr. Thomas Fiske-Social Studies Teacher

Mr. Jacob Boone-Biology Teacher

Mr. Jed Nickerson-Special Education Teacher

A few upcoming events include:

August 31st-Vacation Day-No School

September 3rd-Labor Day-No School

September 14th-Fall Picture Day-all students and fall sports

September 23rd-29th-Gear Up Week

September 19th-Early Release

October 5th-Workshop Day-No School for students

October 8th-Columbus Day-No School

October 9th-13th-Homecoming Spirit Week

October 10th-PSAT 10th & 11th Grade

October 10th-Girls Soccer Senior Night & Homecoming Game

October 11th-Boys Soccer Senior Night & Homecoming Game

The first day of school for freshman students is Wednesday, August 29th from 7:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m. All students return to school on Thursday, August 30th from 7:45 a.m.-2:30 p.m. We have

On the first day of school you will receive your Back to School packets on your first day of school. **There is a lot of very important paperwork that is due back to the main office by Thursday, September 6th.**

Included in this packet will be your Yankee Candle Fundraiser packet. The Yankee Candle sale is from September 7th-25th. **All monies and order forms are due back to Mrs. Tranten no later than Friday, September 25th.** Orders will be delivered within 2-4 weeks from receipt of orders. This fundraiser brings in 40% profit for each class that goes toward their Senior Class Trip and Prom. There are many great gift ideas that will be delivered by October. This is a great way to shop for Christmas and support our students!

To continue to support you, our students, we offer RTI for all students during Seminar time. This is a 33 minute time block after lunch where students will work with a current teacher to enhance the skills needed to be successful in academic areas. There will be “priority” days for Math and ELA (Language Arts) as well as “tag” days for Science and Social Studies for the 2017-2018 school year. If a student does not need RTI on a priority day they will have a guided academic support to allow time to complete course work to support them with their busy school, sport, and work schedules. **Seminar time will follow this schedule: Monday-Academic Check In and Academic Goal Setting; Tuesday-Science RTI & Team Building; Wednesday-ELA RTI & Reading Day; Thursday-MATH RTI & Teacher Choice for Seminar activity; Friday-Seminar Curriculum. The 4th Friday of the month is an Celebration Day.**

We are offering academic support and tutoring after school on Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30-4:30 every week. We strongly encourage students to use this service to support their academics. There may be times that a teacher or administrator will call home and ask that you support your young adult in attending a tutoring session or multiple sessions. This is a great service and will aid in helping our students be extremely successful.

Be sure to visit our MSAD #58 School District website at www.msad58.org. This is where you will find sports paperwork, sports schedules, the MTA Student & Parent Handbook 2018-2019, School Counseling information including scholarships and financial aid information, current events at MTA and current newsletters.

Attendance is so important for every student. I encourage each of you to attend daily and to be on time to school. When you are not here we miss you! You also miss very valuable information that is critical to your success in high school and in life. If you do need to be absent from school or tardy, we ask that you follow all procedures to make up your work as outlined in our Student Handbook. If excessive tardies or absences occur, there are consequences and procedures that will occur.

I am here to support each of you; students, parents, and guardians. Please feel free to contact me for any questions or concerns. I can be reached at 678-2701 ext. 4101 or mtranten@msad58.org. I will continue to update you on our new website with important information, events and dates.

Remember, high school is what you choose to make it. Get involved with a sport, a club, an activity that you are passionate about, that you love, that you enjoy. Don't be afraid to try something new. You may find that you love it. Whatever you do, be involved and be active.

I look forward to seeing each of you on your first day back to school! Have an amazing school year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Michelle S. Tranten
Principal

