



MMS Weekly Update

Thursday, September 4, 2025

Check out the **MMS Weekly Updates** for MMS event information, news and activities. Weekly Updates will be sent out each Thursday.



MMS School Counseling

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ABOUT OUR SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM



WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4

THIS WEEK



Open House TONIGHT!

Join us for MMS Open House from 6-8PM.
Meet your counselor- Mrs. Lee is with grades
5 and 6, Mrs. Melody is with grades 7 and 8.

CONNECTING

 NEW FAMILIES TO THE MMS
COMMUNITY



 JOIN THE SCHOOL
COUNSELORS VIRTUALLY ON
SEPTEMBER 23RD AT 1:00 FOR
A Q & A SESSION.


 WE WILL SEND NEW
FAMILIES A LINK TO JOIN
THIS SESSION.

FROM THE STUDENTS...

“ I like to come to the lunch
groups with Mrs. Lee, my
school counselor, to sit down in
comfy chairs and eat lunch. It's
nice to meet new people in
there.”

~ A 6th grader



STAY IN TOUCH

MRS. EILEEN MELODY
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7th and 8th Grade Counselor

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5th and 6th grade Counselor

MRS. JENNIFER ROBERTS
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CONSIDER THIS



We spoke with our 5th graders and they shared that their goals for this first week is to get to know the whole building better, especially where their classes are. If your child comes home nervous, reassure them that they will eventually learn where things are and their schedule. We are always here to help!





MMS College and Career Readiness Day 2025

College and Career Readiness Day will be held for 7th and 8th grade students on **Wednesday, November 26, 2025**, and we invite you to consider joining us as a presenter in your professional field. You will be scheduled to present three 30 minute sessions which begin approximately at 9:00 and will conclude by 11:15 AM.

Based upon previous years' student career interest, we hope to obtain speakers in some of the following fields. We welcome others to volunteer their career pathways as well.

Actor	Firefighter	Lawyer
Artist	Interior Designer	Nutritionist
Astronomer	Photographer	Teacher
Chemist	Singer	Physical Therapist
Child Care Worker	Social Worker	Fitness Trainer
Computer Programmer	Engineer	Veterinarian
Dentist/Orthodontist	Chef/Baker	Writer/Author
Fashion Designer	Auto Mechanic	Other

As a presenter, you will have an opportunity to speak to groups of students about your background, educational preparation and career highlights. Presenters are asked to provide hands-on activities or display visuals to engage students. Each presenter is scheduled for all three sessions.

If you are interested in presenting, please complete the form below. Mrs. Melody will contact you to confirm your participation. Please know that not all who express an interest will be selected to present due to space limitations.

[MMS CCRD Volunteer Sign-Up](#)

Eileen Melody, 7th and 8th Grade School Counselor
c/o Mansfield Middle School Counseling Office
205 Spring Hill Road
Storrs, CT 06268

**JOIN US FOR THE
FIRST MMSA MEETING
OF THE 25-26 YEAR**



MMSA

Mansfield Middle School Association

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH
AT 7PM
ON GOOGLE MEET**

**EMAIL:
CONTACTMMSA@GMAIL.COM
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Mansfield Middle School Association
Meeting Sept. 9, 2025 at 7pm
Google Meet link: <https://meet.google.com/uym-qjcn-jxu>

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Updates and info from Principal Barlow and/or Vice Principal Vliet
3. Open Positions
 - a. Ask for interest in Vice President
4. Staff Grants (Julia)
 - a. The purpose/goal of teacher grants
 - b. LCS Grant (Ryley Zawodniak)
5. Past MMSA Events/Fundraisers
 - a. MMS Swag Sale
 - b. 5th Grade Orientation
 - c. Open House
6. Town Events
 - a. Celebrate Mansfield 9/27/25
 - b. Trunk or Treat - 10/25/25
 - c. Tree Decorating - 12/6/25
 - d. Maple Fest - in March
7. Upcoming MMSA Events/Fundraisers
 - a. Cherryfield Fundraiser
 - b. Movie Night
 - c. UConn & XL Center Events
 - d. Ron a Roll
 - e. Flower Power Fundraiser
 - f. 50/50 Raffle

g. 5k Run

h. Fishing Derby

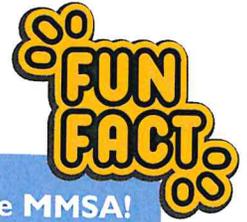
8. Budget Discussion (Molly)

9. Agenda items for next meeting (anyone can suggest a future topic for discussion)

10. Other business



Mansfield Middle School Association



If you have a child enrolled at MMS, you are automatically a member of the MMSA!

DIRECT GIVING CAMPAIGN

The MMSA collects voluntary dues to help us give back to our amazing teachers, staff, and students. Your contributions make it possible to fund scholarships, fun activities, special enrichment programs, and extra supplies for cool projects.

From the big end-of-year ceremony to class picnics, the MMSA pitches in to make school events memorable. Each year, teachers and staff also apply for MMSA grants to bring their awesome ideas to life — but here’s the thing: we’d love to say yes to every request, but we usually can only cover about half because our funds run short.

Every bit of support helps us do more for our school community — **thank you** for making it happen!

**Our suggested donation this year is \$10 - \$20;
please consider making any contribution that fits your budget.**

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@ContactMMSA



OR

Please make checks payable to MMSA and mail with the form below to:
Mansfield Middle School
Attn: MMSA Membership Drive
205 Spring Hill Road
Storrs, CT 06268



MMSA Direct Giving Campaign Form

2025 - 2026

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Student Name _____

Grade: _____ Homeroom: _____ Gift amount: _____

Thank you for your support!

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YOUR SCHOLARSHIP.

Connecticut Public Middle and High School Students:

WHAT'S COOL ABOUT LOCAL GOVERNMENT?

Tell us and you could win a \$1,000 scholarship!
Plus, this year's winner will be invited to stay overnight
and attend the awards luncheon at Mohegan Sun!

All entries are due by Friday, October 3, 2025.



Connecticut Conference
of Municipalities



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<https://www.ccm-ct.org/Member-Benefits/Events/2025-CCM-Convention/-LoCoolGov-Youth-Scholarship-2025>

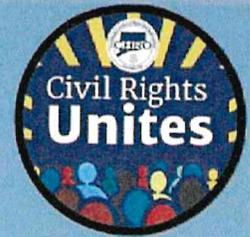
State of Connecticut

Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities



Sponsors a

Civil Rights Youth Summit: Attorney Pipeline Program



ATTENTION ALL:
8th Grade
&
High School Students

- Explore Careers in Public interest Law and Social Justice
- Prepare you for a Future in Law
- Introduction to how Attorneys transform the World
- Introduction to the Role of the Judiciary
- Introduction to Case Analysis
- Interactive law school class
- Hands-On Case Briefing
- Guided tour of the campus



Register
Here
In-Person
Event



55 Elizabeth St, Hartford, CT 06105
University of Connecticut School of Law



Food
&
Fun
Free Admission

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