



Mansfield Elementary School Take Home Notices Week Ending September 26, 2025

Dear Families,

As September draws to a close, we're eagerly anticipating upcoming events that will further enrich our students' experiences, including the MES PTO Harvest & Heritage Festival. It's been wonderful to see students comfortably settled in their new classrooms as our first month of school concludes. Wishing you a fantastic weekend ahead!

Warmly,
Kate and Becky

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- 04 — **Screenagers Community Screening November 12**
- 05 — **MES PTO Meeting Agenda September 29**
- 06 — **MES Penny Wars Winner**
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- 10 — **MES PTO Lyman Pies Fundraiser September 30 - October 20**
- 11 — **Mansfield Parks & Rec Youth Basketball Register Now**
- 13 — **Willimantic Children's Book Fair October 4**

Dear MPS Families,

Mansfield Public Schools would like to extend an invitation to families of students in grades 4-8 to attend a session focused on ***Understanding My Child's Smarter Balanced Assessment Report***. This event will be offered on October 2nd at 9:15 AM and 6:00 PM. Both sessions will be held in person in the Mansfield Middle School Library, but families are also able to join us virtually if preferred. Please use the QRCode below to sign up for this event.

[Understanding My Child's Smarter Balanced Assessment Report](#)



Knowing Students
Supporting the Whole Child
Ensuring Deep Learning



ATTENTION 3rd GRADERS!

Finger Knitting with Knit for NICU

Do you know how to knit?

Are you interested in learning?

The UConn club "Knit for NICU" will be visiting MES to teach us about what their group does, and then we'll learn how to finger knit!

All materials are provided.



23 October 2025

after school 4:00-5:00pm

25 Spots Available!

Get a permission slip at the library.
Return slips by 10/17



Mansfield Middle School &
Mansfield Youth Services presents a
community screening of

SCREENAGERS

GROWING UP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Now updated for 2025 with the latest science, research, and expert insights, Screenagers is an award-winning documentary that dives into the challenges families face in this digital age.

FREE event open to surrounding towns.

Dinner and child care provided

LEARN MORE



6:00 PM



Nov. 12, 2025



Mansfield Middle
School Auditorium



Sign up here!



**MANSFIELD
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL PTO**

MONDAY
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM

AGENDA

9.29.2025

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Lauren Valentin, President

Welcome & Introductions, Overview of meeting agenda, PTO start of year highlights

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Candace Morell, Superintendent & Team Leads

Opening of schools recap, Events look ahead, Communication Goals/Plans, Facilities update (playground, water, natural play area, cafe sound panels)

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Jeannine Kanadia, chairperson Mansfield Human Rights Commission

Introduction, collaboration goals

BUDGET

Michelle Trevino-Talbot, Treasurer

PTO budget updates

FUNDRAISERS/EVENTS

Justina Ingerson & Emily Potz, Fundraising Co- Coordinators - Summer Apparel order, Penny Wars, Lyman Pies, Winter Swag

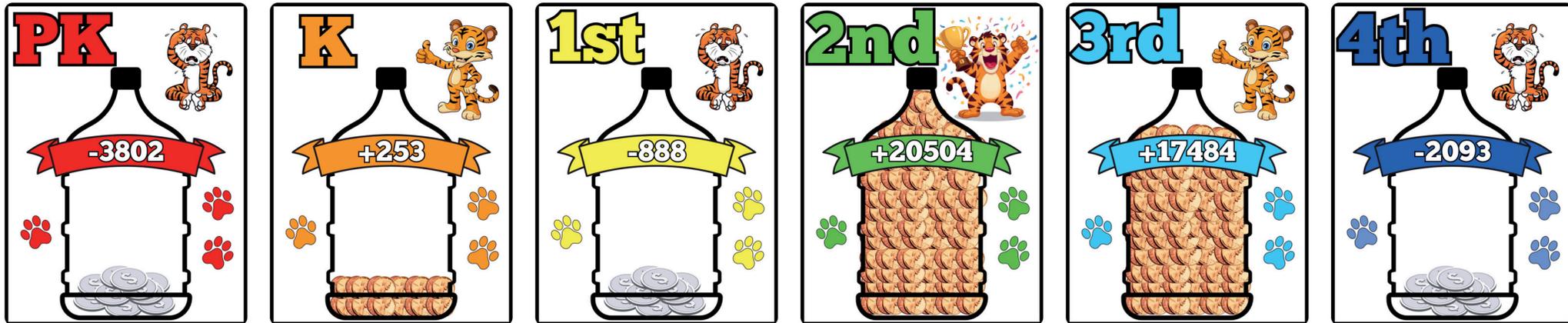
Harvest & Heritage Festival - Saturday October 18th 1-4pm

Trunk of Treat - Saturday, October 25

OPEN FLOOR

Open time for questions, discussions, suggestions, conversations with administrators, etc.

Final MES Penny Wars



Congratulations 2nd Grade!

Thank you to everyone who participated!

MES Penny Wars

2nd Graders

ARE THE WINNERS!

**Pie-in-the-Face will take place on
Wednesday, October 15
We'll be sure to share the video!**

**As a thank you to everyone, ALL
students won a PJ Day on Friday,
October 17**



3rd

MES PTO

Harvest & Heritage Festival!

JOIN US

OCT. 18th

1pm - 4pm

Join us for a delightful celebration of the bountiful autumn season and celebrate the diversity among our school community at this years Harvest & Heritage Festival!

**Activities, Crafts, Face painting,
Food, Games, Raffles, & More**

**Together, WE
are MES!**



Kids can "travel the world" and get their passports stamped once they visit and complete an activity at each represented nation/destination.



MES Voulnteer
sign up

GET INVOLVED WITH THE

HARVEST & HERITAGE FESTIVAL!

Saturday, October 18 • 1-4 PM



**Our 3rd Annual Fall Celebration is getting a
global twist!**

**This year, we're combining our classic Fall Festival fun with
cultural stations that celebrate the amazing diversity of MES
families!**

**Students will "travel the world" with a passport and visit booths
where they can explore games, crafts, fun facts, and food
samples from around the globe.**

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

HOST A CULTURAL STATION

**Design and run a simple booth with a
fun craft, activity, display, or tradition
from your family's heritage. We'll
provide a table—just bring your ideas!**

VOLUNTEER AT THE FESTIVAL

**Help run games, activity stations, or
assist with setup and cleanup.**

DONATE EVENT SUPPLIES

We're looking for donations of:

- Apple Cider (gallon jugs)
- Bottled Water (cases)
- Apple Cider Donuts (dozens)

DONATE CULTURAL FOOD SAMPLES

**Bring a small dish (store-bought or
homemade) to share your culture
through food. Please label ingredients.**

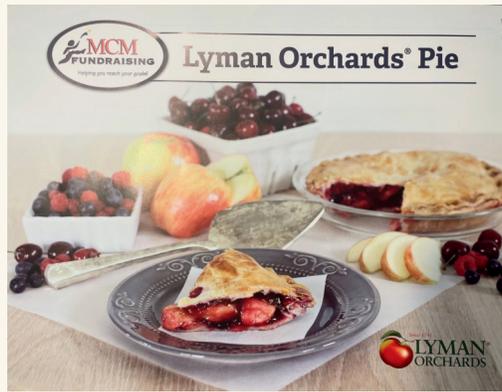
PERFORM OR DEMO

**Dance, music, story telling, language -
whatever represents your culture best.**

SIGN UP HERE:



**QUESTIONS? Email the PTO
at mansfieldtigersPTO@gmail.com**



Lyman Pies are Back!

Here's what you need to know:



Order Window: Tuesday, September 30 - Monday, Oct 20



Register and Sell Online:

<https://my.mcmfundraisings.com/signup/8CJP>



Order: Online only this year - no paper forms



Pie Pick-Up: Friday, November 14, 3:00-6:00 PM
Mansfield Public Library - Buchanan Auditorium



Donate Pie: Supports Covenant Soup Kitchen and
Mansfield CAREs Program

If you can't participate in the sale but still want to support
MES PTO, donations are welcome by:



Check/Cash - made payable to Mansfield Elementary PTO
Return to school office



Venmo: @PTOMESct



Your support directly helps the MES PTO fund wonderful, fun, and
educational experiences for all MES students.

Questions? Email us at mansfieldtigerspto@gmail.com

Thank you for helping make this fundraiser a success and for
making our children's learning experiences memorable!

MANSFIELD **YOUTH** **BASKETBALL**

REGISTER NOW!

K-2 Basketball Program

3/4 Basketball Program

Grades 5-8 Travel & Rec Program

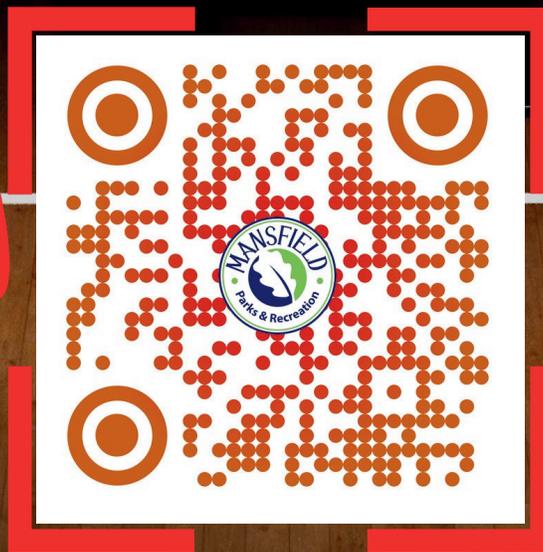
Basketball Clinics: Sept. 24 & Oct. 15

WANTED

Coaches and Referees

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Click or Scan



Mansfield Parks & Recreation
10 South Eagleville Road
Storrs Mansfield, CT 06268
860-429-3015 ext 0
www.mansfieldcc.com

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Parks & Recreation

YOUTH BASKETBALL INFO

Basketball Grades K-2

(Grades K-1) Little Huskies Division,

\$70.00 for residents, \$80.00 for non-residents.

Dates: 12/6-2/7 (no 12/27, 1/3). 8 sessions,

#341001-A 9:00 am-9:55 am

#341001-B 10:00 am-10:55 am

Registration Deadline: 12/6/2025

(Grade 2) Junior Huskies Division

\$70.00 for residents, \$80.00 for non-residents.

Dates: 12/6-2/7 (no 12/27, 1/3). 8 sessions,

#341002-A 11:15-12:30

#341002-B 12:45-2:00

Registration Deadline: 12/6/2025

Basketball Grade 3/4

(Grades 3 & 4) Instructional Division,

\$92.00residents, \$102.00non-residents,

#341005-A (girls)

#341006-A (boys)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 10/15/2025

Evaluation Day: 10/18/2025 - season concludes in late February.

September Basketball Pre-Season Clinic

1Day(Grades 4-8)

Basketball skill training to prepare young athletes for the upcoming recreation and travel basketball season. Athletic shoes are required. Please bring a basketball and a water bottle.

Instructor: Jeffrey Belanger, E.O. Smith Boys Basketball Coach

Location: Mansfield Middle School Gym

Date: Wed., Sept. 24

Time: 6:30-8 p.m.

Fee: \$48 for residents, \$58 for non-residents

Activity #: 240020-A

October Basketball Pre-Season Clinic

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Rec & Travel Grades 5-8 Registration Information:

Important Dates:

· **Registration Deadline: Friday, September 26**

· **Evaluation Day: Saturday, October 4** - Attendance is mandatory on 10/4 to be considered for team placement. If it is determined that an additional tryout date is needed due to the number of players, it will be announced (TBD). Click the activity number below to register

Boys 5/6 Evaluation - 9:00 am - 10:00 am - 342003-A

Boys 7/8 Evaluation - 10:00 am - 11:00 am - 342005-A

Girls 5/6 Evaluation - 11:00 am - 12:00 pm - 342002-A

Girls 7/8 Evaluation - 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - 342004-A

How It Works:

Step 1: Everyone registers for Recreation Basketball.

Step 2: At evaluations, Recreation & Travel coaches (along with MPRD staff) will evaluate players.

Step 3: After evaluations, players will either be invited to join the Travel League or placed on a Recreation League team.

Don't want to play Travel if selected? No problem—just let us know, and you'll stay in Rec.

Evaluations are essential not only for Travel placement but also to ensure balanced and fair Recreation teams.

Registration Fees:

Recreation Basketball (Grades 5-6, 7-8): \$119 (Residents), \$129 (Non-Residents)

Travel Basketball: \$280 (Mansfield Residents only)

(Players register for Rec first. If selected for Travel, your registration will be adjusted, and the balance will be due.)

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Parks & Recreation



CHILDREN'S Book Fair

Games!

Local Authors!

Free Books!

Crafts!

Saturday,
October 4

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

WINDHAM SENIOR CENTER
1 JILLSON SQUARE
WILLIMANTIC, CT

Featuring Authors:

Janae Marks
Cindy Rodriguez
Janice Hechter

Kyle Lukoff
Sylvia Crunden
Barbara McClintock

in partnership with:



and

BARNES & NOBLE
at UCONN



**Scan for
more info!**



FERIA DE LIBROS INFANTIL

¡Juegos!

¡Autores locales!

Sábado,
4 de Octubre

¡Libros gratis!

¡Artesanía!

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CENTRO PARA PERSONA MAYORES
1 JILLSON SQUARE
WILLIMANTIC, CT

Presentando autores:

Janae Marks
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más información**

MES PTO FLYERS

AVAILABLE IN:



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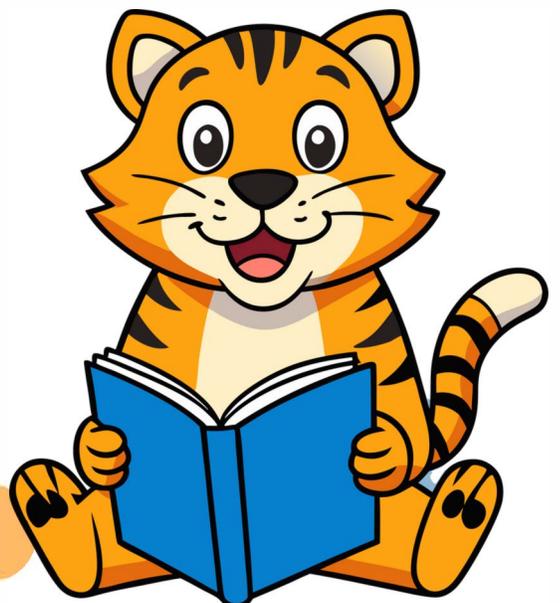
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