



# MMS Weekly Update

Thursday, October 23, 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 OCTOBER 23

## THIS WEEK

MRS. LEE IS CONTINUING TO HELP THE 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS GET ACCLIMATED TO MMS. SHE IS PRESENTING LESSONS TO THEM REVOLVING AROUND ORGANIZATION AND BUILDING HABITS FOR SCHOOL SUCCESS!

GO MRS. LEE!!



## FROM THE STUDENTS..

"I love working for my teacher through the Youth Employment Program. It's so cool that I get paid to work at school."  
8<sup>th</sup> Grader



## CONNECTING

ASK YOUR STUDENT IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO WORK WITH A UCONN MENTOR. UCONN MENTORS ARE AT MMS MONDAYS AND TUESDAYS DURING XBLOCK. THE MENTORS CAN SUPPORT STUDENTS' WORK COMPLETION AND STUDENT HABITS.



## STAY IN TOUCH

- MRS. EILEEN MELODY  
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7th and 8th Grade Counselor
- MRS. KRISTINA LEE  
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5th and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor
- MRS. JENNIFER ROBERTS  
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5th-8th Grade Counseling Support



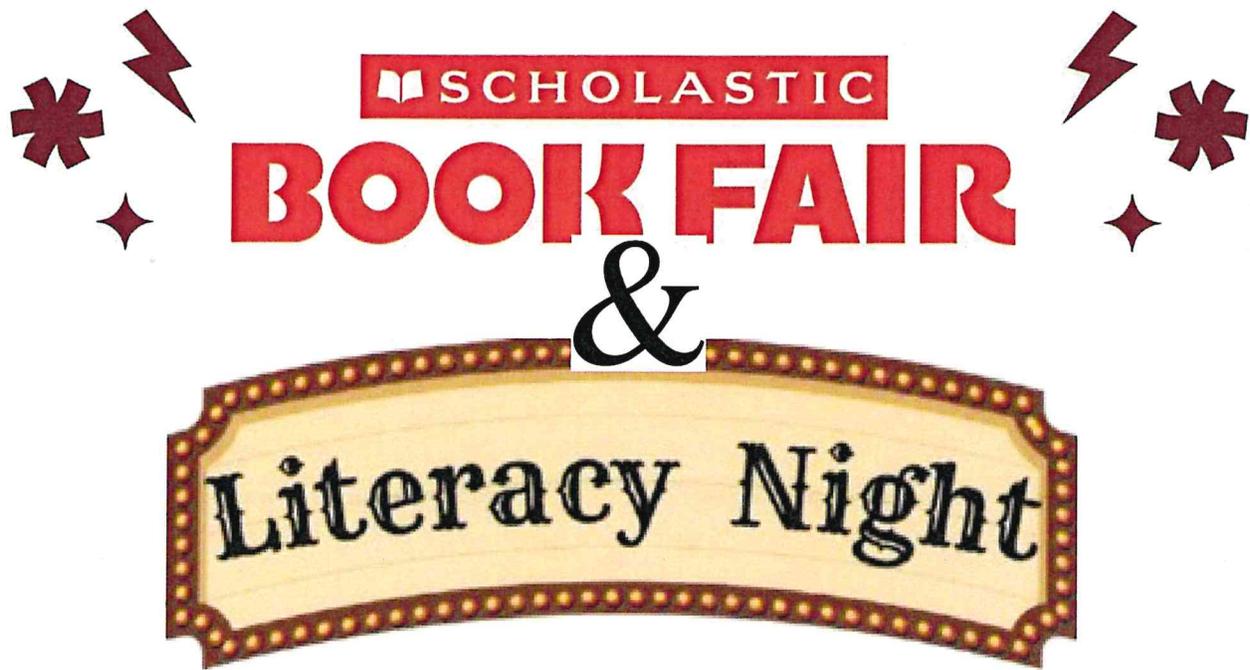
## CONSIDER THIS

TO HELP YOUR STUDENT FURTHER DEVELOP KINDNESS AND RESPECT (MMS HABITS OF CHARACTER), CONTINUE TO MODEL THOUGHTFUL INTERACTIONS AT HOME AND HAVE OPEN DISCUSSIONS ABOUT HOW OUR ACTIONS AFFECT OTHERS.

REINFORCING RESPONSIBILITY (OUR 3<sup>RD</sup> HABIT OF CHARACTER) CAN LOOK LIKE PROVIDING CLEAR, AGE-APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE HOUSEHOLD, ALLOWING YOUR STUDENT TO PRACTICE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THEIR COMMITMENTS.

THIS PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN HOME AND SCHOOL IS CRUCIAL AS IT REINFORCES THESE CORE LIFE HABITS, GIVING YOUR MIDDLE SCHOOLER THE CONFIDENCE AND SKILLS NEEDED FOR GREATER INDEPENDENCE AND FUTURE SUCCESS.





Dear Families:

The book fair is here and so is Family Literacy Night!

**Evening Hours Tonight, Thursday 5:30-7:00 in the Mansfield Middle School Library.**

The library will be open tonight for families to come in to shop the book fair as well as celebrate reading with our Literacy Night. Library Club students have been busy planning events to share their joy of reading with our school community. There will be booths set up by Library Club students promoting different genres. We will have a station run by Ms. Mulholland, with hands-on robotics. We will have book trivia and a few games for families to enjoy. Then before you leave you can treat yourselves to a snow cone. This event will be set up as stations so you can plan to spend as much or as little time as you have available.

If you can't make it tonight, you can visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mansfieldmiddleschool> or stop by Friday to purchase books.

We hope to see you tonight!

Happy reading,

Mrs. Ristau

Library Media Specialist

Mansfield Middle School

\*VEGETARIAN ITEM

# NOVEMBER 2025 LUNCH MENU

## MANSFIELD MIDDLE

hello  
FALL



YOU CAN ADD FUNDS TO YOUR STUDENT'S ACCOUNT ONLINE (FEES APPLY) AT [LINQCONNECT.COM](http://LINQCONNECT.COM) OR AVOID THE FEES BY SENDING CASH OR CHECK IN TO SCHOOL.

COMPLETE LUNCH \$ 3.75  
MILK ONLY \$0.50

ALL ENTREES ARE SERVED WITH:

- FRUIT (FRESH, CANNED AND DRIED) AND
- ASSORTED FRESH VEGGIES AND
- LOCAL MOUNTAIN DAIRY MILK CHOICES:  
FAT-FREE CHOCOLATE FLAVORED MILK,  
OR 1% PLAIN MILK

NO SAD LUNCHESES! PLEASE ENCOURAGE KIDS TO ASK IF THEY NEED SOMETHING. WE ARE HAPPY TO HELP!

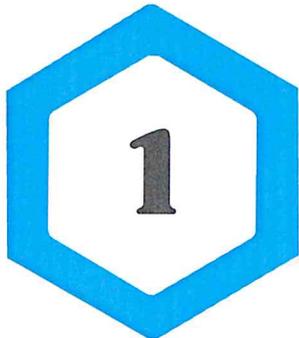
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 ALL BEEF OR VEGGIE BURGER* ON A BUN WITH BAKED SWEET POTATOES	4 SCHOOL CLOSED 	5 OUR OWN MACARONI AND CHEESE* WITH ROASTED BROCCOLI	6 GARLIC FRENCH BREAD PIZZA* WITH OUR HUMMUS AND VEGGIES TO DIP	7 MIDDLE EASTERN INSPIRED CHICKEN SHAWARMA WITH BROWN RICE AND GARLIC ROASTED POTATOES
10 DENVER STYLE EGG FRITATA* WITH A TOASTED ENGLISH MUFFIN AND OUR HOME FRIES	11 TURKEY WHITE BEAN CHILI OR JUST BEAN CHILI* AND WHOLE WHEAT CHEDDAR DROP BISCUITS	12 JAPANESE INSPIRED TERIYAKI STYLE CHICKEN OR TOFU* WITH BROWN RICE AND STIR-FRY VEGETABLES	13 CHEESE* OR BUFFALO CHICKEN PIZZA SLICE WITH LOCAL GREENS CAESAR SALAD	14 BBQ CHICKEN DRUMSTICK OR BBQ TOFU* WITH HOMEMADE CORNBREAD AND CINNAMON ROASTED LOCAL BUTTERNUT SQUASH
17 ALL BEEF OR VEGGIE BURGER* ON A BUN WITH HAND CUT ROASTED POTATOES	18 SEASONED, SHREDDED CHICKEN OR JUST CHEESE* WITH LETTUCE IN A HARD TACO SHELL SERVED WITH SALSA & MILD SPICY BEANS	19 PASTA* & MARINARA WITH BEEF MEATBALLS, GARLIC KNOT AND RANCH SALAD	 20 CHEESE* OR BBQ CHICKEN FLATBREAD PIZZA WITH LOCAL CARROTS AND RANCH DIP	21 CHICKEN CREOLE STYLE STEW, BROWN RICE AND GARLIC GREEN BEANS
24 EARLY DISMISSAL CHICKEN OR PLANT BASED* TENDERS WITH BAKED SWEET POTATOES AND HOMEMADE CORN BREAD	25 EARLY DISMISSAL DEEPLY ROOTED PLANT BASED CHILI* WITH CORN TORTILLA CHIPS AND SEASONED BLACK BEANS	26 EARLY DISMISSAL OUR OWN MACARONI AND CHEESE* WITH HERB ROASTED ZUCCHINI	27 SCHOOL CLOSED 	28 SCHOOL CLOSED 
27 GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH* WITH OUR OWN TOMATO SOUP	28 CHICKEN FAJITA WITH ROASTED PEPPERS & ONIONS AND MEXICAN INSPIRED GREEN BEANS SERVED WITH SALSA, SOUR CREAM & CHEESE	29 OUR OWN RAMEN NOODLE BOWL* WITH CHICKEN OR STEAMED EDAMAME* AND BROCCOLI	30 CHEESE FILLED BREAD STICKS* WITH LEMONY CHICKPEA SALAD	31 PULLED BBQ CHICKEN SLIDER ON A WHOLE GRAIN ROLL AND RODEO CORN SALAD

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER.  
DAILY ALTERNATES: PIZZA, SANDWICHES, YOGURT PARFAITS

# MMSA Fall 2025 Cherrydale Fundraiser

*"Light Up the Season"*

Giftwrap, candy, candles, and more...



Setup your student's online store by registering.



Share the link with friends, family, and social media.



Everything ships direct, nothing to pickup or distribute.



Help raise funds for teacher and staff grants!



[contactmmsa@gmail.com](mailto:contactmmsa@gmail.com)

# Mansfield Middle School Association

ORDERS DUE BY:

**11/5/2025**

REGISTER,  
SHARE, &  
SHOP @

**SHOPFUND.COM**



With your help, the MMSA is hoping to raise \$3,000 for staff grants as well as various student enrichment programs & events throughout the year. These are the "extras" that enhance your child's education and we hope to continue these initiatives this year. We are asking every student to REGISTER & SHARE with **5 or more supporters** to reach our group goal! Thank you for your support!

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

1. REGISTER today at [ShopFund.com/reg](https://ShopFund.com/reg)
2. SHARE with 5 or more supporters with the online tools.



3. Orders over \$99 qualify for FREE SHIPPING!

GROUP CODE

**8FKVM**



Questions? Please email [contactmmsa@gmail.com](mailto:contactmmsa@gmail.com)



FAMILY & FRIENDS CAN SUPPORT NATIONWIDE AT **ShopFund.com**

PLUS, REGISTER TO GAIN ACCESS TO THESE FUNDRAISER FEATURES:



**Register**  
AND SHARE TO WIN FROM  
\$100,000 IN PRIZES



**Track Progress**  
TRACK SUPPORTERS &  
LEADERBOARD STANDING



**Share**  
YOUR FUNDRAISER WITH  
FAMILY & FRIENDS NATIONWIDE



**Shop**  
FROM 800+ ITEMS AND  
PAY ONLINE

# TEEN CENTER OPEN HOUSE

MANSFIELD YOUTH SERVICES



**MANSFIELD**  
YOUTH SERVICES

Parents/guardians, bring your EOS or MMS teen and come check out the Teen Center!! A safe and supervised space that your teen can go to after school!! Also, get the chance to meet Maddie, our NEW Youth Services Prevention Specialist, who is in the Teen Center Monday-Thursday!!!



Enter our giveaway for the chance to win a BIKE or APPLE AIRPODS!!!



We will be serving light refreshments



Wednesday, **November 5, 2025**  
from **4pm to 6pm** in the **Teen Center**  
at the Mansfield Community Center  
10 S Eagleville Rd, Storrs, CT 06268

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Human Services

# YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

**INDOOR TENNIS  
SESSION  
SUN. 10/26-12/14**

**LOCATION:  
MANSFIELD  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER GYM**



## **Quick Start Tennis (Ages 4 - 7)**

In these introductory skill development sessions, tennis goals are to gradually improve hand-eye coordination, learn proper grip and stroke, and have a positive introduction to the game. Larger, lighter foam tennis balls are used during instruction and are particularly effective with children because they are easier to control and react to. Typical kids games are used to incorporate and enforce proper use of a racquet and shadowing the coach.

**Activity #: 220060-A**

**Fee: \$41 for residents: \$51 for non-residents**

**Time: 9:00-9:30 am**

## **Beginner Tennis (Ages 7 - 10)**

The perfect introduction to tennis! A few changes in size and format from the younger group with practice in stroke development and modified match play. In this class participants will learn the basic strokes of tennis, making clean contact with the ball, and encourage movement on the court. Group games are played that further develop these skills. Please make sure your child has the correct sized racquet.

**Activity #: 220061-A**

**Fee: \$62 for residents/\$72 for non-residents**

**Time: 9:40-10:25 am**

## **Intermediate Tennis (Ages 10 - 13)**

*Participants must have completed at least two seasonal sessions of tennis with the orange or red ball to participate in this level. If you child does not meet those guidelines, please register them for the Beginner Tennis program.*

In this tennis program for more advanced players, there will be a different focus for each lesson (forehand, serve, consistency, angles, etc.) and play will range from drills to games and matches. The aim for the more advanced players is to have them hitting as many balls as possible and get in a good mix of drills and competitive (but friendly) games. There will be significantly more focus on instructing proper technique, grips, and strategies.

**Activity #: 220064-A**

**Fee: \$62 for residents \$72 for non-residents**

**Time: 10:35-11:20 am**

[www.mansfieldcc.com](http://www.mansfieldcc.com)

860.429.3015

Register online, or in-person at the  
Mansfield Community Center





COME JOIN US AT THE

DARLENE MURPHY  
*Craft Fair*

Mansfield Elementary School  
134 Warrenville Road  
Mansfield Center, CT 06250

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM





## We Want You!!

On Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, Mansfield Middle School will be reflecting, remembering, and honoring those who have served in the United States Armed Forces. We honor them for exemplifying the true character of the American spirit – personal courage, love of country, and devotion of duty. We thank them for sacrificing their personal aspirations and safety to attain and protect the freedoms of this great Nation. Students tend to better understand and absorb the significance of Veterans' Day when they can attach a human face to it.

To help our students develop a greater appreciation for America's veterans, we are inviting veterans to participate in a celebration that honors their service to our country. If you have a veteran in your family who is willing and able to attend an assembly on Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> in our Mansfield Middle School auditorium. Please complete and return the lower portion of this form or complete the online form by clicking the link [HERE](#).

The planned events are as follows:

Lite breakfast provided 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.

Followed by an assembly which will conclude by 9:45 a.m.

-----Please complete the online registration linked above or return the bottom portion of this form to the MMS Office by 10-31-2025 -----

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

HR Teacher/Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Veteran's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation to the MMS Student: \_\_\_\_\_

My veterans' service (circle one):

Army

Navy

Marines

Air Force

Coast Guard

National Guard

Parent's or guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check the above information carefully as we will be announcing names and branch of service at the assembly.**

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!