

Dr. Will Hoffman, Superintendent

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Budget Update: Governor Cooper agreed to sign the long overdue state budget. This action will give North Carolina its first budget in over 3 years. Key items within the budget include the following for teachers and instructional support;

- Effective 7/1/2021-step increase for all + 1.3% increase to salary schedule
- Average increase including the step, 2.5%
- Range of increase including step-\$650 to \$2,680/1.3% to 5.4%



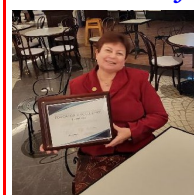
This budget will also allow for a variety of employee bonuses and will raise hourly salaries for non-certified school employees up to \$13 an hour in the first year, then to \$15 in the second. Madison County Schools has \$2.5 million in the budget for specific capital projects, the largest single line item we have ever received in a non-recurring state budget allocation.

Board of Education Meeting: Monday, November 15 the Board of Education met in a regular session. The Board approved personnel recommendations, policies, the final sale of the 130 Jackson Avenue Hot Springs parcel and the Budget Resolution 2021-2022. The Board also voted to make face coverings optional for students, staff and visitors with other Covid-19 protocols remaining in effect beginning November 29, 2021. The Board will meet again in regular session on Monday, December 13 at 6:00 pm .

K-8 Intervention Team Meeting: The K-8 Intervention Team had a professional learning session on Wednesday. The group discussed "coaching strategies" for supporting teachers, reviewed data and discussed student progress, shared ideas and brainstormed around roadblocks, and examined resources for supporting students during small group instruction.



EC Teacher of Excellence 2021: Congratulations to Debbie Reese, EC Teacher at Mars



Hill Elementary School. Ms. Reese was named the **Madison County Schools EC Teacher of Excellence for 2021**. Ms. Reese was honored on Thursday night, November 18, at the 70th Conference on Exceptional Children, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.



Thank you for Making It Happen for our students in the Exceptional Children's program!

MCS Staff Spotlight: Congratulations to Jocelyn and John Radford and big brother Jaxton, on the new addition to their family.



Jarren Wayne Radford arrived on November 16th weighing 7 lbs. and 14oz. Mrs. Radford is a third grade teacher at Mars Hill Elementary School. We wish the family health and happiness as they enjoy their family time!

Photo Credit: Jocelyn Radford

DATES TO REMEMBER:

12/13/21	Board Meeting Central Support Closed	5:00 PM
	Work	5:30 PM
	Open	6:00 PM

Attachments:

[11/15/21 Press Release](#)

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Mission



The students of Madison County Schools will have meaningful experiences and valuable academic preparation to ensure a brighter future.