

Mexico  
Middle  
School

# TIGER WIRE





# FROM THE DESK OF MS. HOLLIDAY

## MEXICO MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

### JUNE REMINDERS

Make time for fun, rest, and  love

 Authenticity makes you shine

You are worthy of love and attention 

Always be  kinder than you need to

You always have a  choice

 Growth is not always visible 

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As we reflect on these reminders, we want to thank all of our families for your unwavering support this year! It has been a difficult year for all of us returning from the pandemic and the impact that it has had. We are grateful for patience, understanding, and teamwork.

Celebration of Learning night was fantastic! The building was full of pride! It was so nice to see families enjoying the evening together.

Please check the calendar for all of the end of the year events coming up. We look forward to seeing our fourth grade

visitors on Friday as they come for orientation and a tour. This is a reminder that June 13 is a half day and there is no school on Monday, June 19, in recognition of the holiday Juneteenth – a federal holiday commemorating the emancipation of enslaved African Americans. Students should be showing you their assignments and grades on SchoolTool as parents have access to this information all day, every day!

Please contact teachers now for any concerns regarding end of year assignments and grades.

Let's finish the year together, strong!

Kimberly Holliday





# FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Please see the following requirements regarding immunizations and physical requirements for the 2023-2024 school year.

## Immunizations requirements:

Students entering 6th grade in the 2023-2024 school year- Tdap vaccine

- The TDAP vaccine is needed no earlier than 10 years of age and no later than 11 years of age.
- Students who are 10 years old in 6th grade and have not received the TDAP vaccine are in compliance until they turn 11 years old.

Students entering 7th grade in the 2023-2024 school year- Meningococcal vaccine

- First dose is required no earlier than 10 years of age

Please contact your child's healthcare provider to schedule an appointment for your child to receive the required vaccines. These vaccines are also available through the School Based Health Center located in the middle school or the Oswego County Health Department. For more information, please contact the School Based Health Center at 315-963-8400 ext. 4208 or Oswego County Health Department at 315-349-3545.

Failure to receive these vaccines could result in your child being excluded from school.

When your child receives these vaccines, please send a copy of the record to the school nurse.

## Physical requirements:

Students entering 5th, 7th and 9th grade in the 2023-2024 school year

- If your child has a current physical from their healthcare provider please provide a copy to the school nurse
- Physical exam can be performed by your child's own healthcare provider or by the school health care provider
  - Physical exam must be completed by a licensed healthcare provider
- Required on NYS examination form- healthcare offices should have copy of this form or a copy can be found on school nurse webpage

Starting in 7th grade your child is eligible to play school sports. To participate in school sports a current physical on file in the nurse's office is required. If your child has a current physical from their healthcare provider please provide a copy to the school nurse.

If your child plans on participating in a fall sport and they do not have a current physical with their healthcare provider please schedule one as soon as possible. If you are unable to schedule a physical with their healthcare provider school physicals will be provided in June. Please contact the school nurse no later than June 9th to sign up for a school physical. Parental consent is required for a school physical.

Please contact Mrs. McCoy in the nurse's office with any questions.

315-963-8400 ext. 4205

Fax 315-963-3325 cmccoy@mexicocsd.org

# 2023 MEXICO MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARDS DAY

JUNE 16TH  
MMS AUDITORIUM



5TH GRADE  
11:15AM-NOON

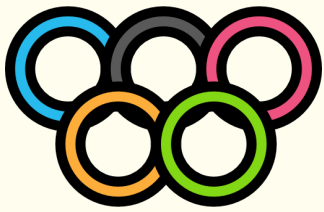
6TH GRADE  
12:15-1:15PM

7TH GRADE  
8:00-9:15AM

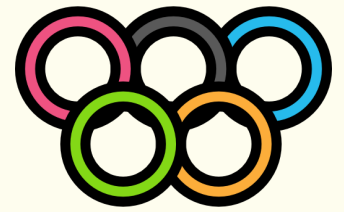
8TH GRADE  
9:30-11:00AM



# 2023 MEXICO MIDDLE SCHOOL



# OLYMPICS



TUESDAY, JUNE 20TH  
@ THE HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM



**5TH GRADE**  
8AM-9:30AM

**6TH GRADE**

12:20PM-1:50PM

WILL DISMISS FROM HIGH SCHOOL

**7TH GRADE**

9:30AM-11AM





# 2023 Q4 at Mexico Middle



☀️  
Sun  
and  
fun  
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WOW



NOW  
THAT →  
IS SERIOUSLY  
EPIC

"We Are Tigers!"

Mrs. Wahl's Expressive Art Group

Final Project





Well  
>>> Done <<<



Go Team

SPECIAL OLYMPICS



BATTLE  
OF THE  
BOOKS



# Kee- Pet Partners @ MMS

Our first school year with Pet Partners and Kee the therapy dog was a success!

In the valuable time that we had, the benefits of the therapy dog visit/program were numerous. Kee has helped both staff and students by lifting spirits, providing a sense of calm/comfort and confidence, a source of motivation, and social support. We can't thank Kee and her human partner Sandra enough for the positive impacts that their time, and education has provided to us. We hope that our partnership with Pet Partners will continue to grow and evolve.





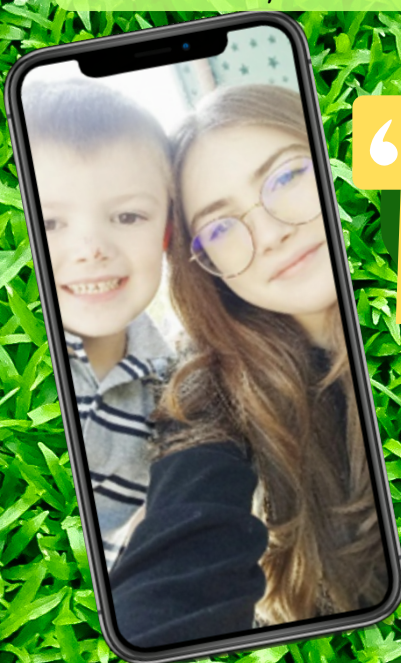


# Student Lighthouse Team News



## How do our MMS Tigers Sharpen their "Claws"?

Sometimes, especially toward the end of the school year, we get so caught up in everything that needs to be done that we forget to take care of ourselves. The 7th habit teaches us to sharpen the saw. This means to keep ourselves sharp in the four areas of our wellbeing. These are body, brain, heart, and soul. You can take care of your body by eating healthy foods and exercising. Reading and playing word games will help your brain. You can take care of your heart by spending time with friends and family or telling jokes. Your soul can be sharpened by writing in a journal or going outside to enjoy nature's beauty. All these parts of you will thank you for taking the time to take care of them! Here are some responses from our Middle School Tigers on how they like to sharpen their saw:



"I play outside with my brother. I also play tennis." -Isabella

"I sharpen my saw by being a leader, staying out of trouble, and being kind to others". -Annalyse

"How I sharpen my saw (take care of myself) is I try to eat healthy and eat a good breakfast, so I am ready for the day. I study for a test so that I can get high grades". - Hayzley

"I sharpen the saw by always staying true to myself and being kind to others. I never let others' words get to me, and I always try my hardest to not give in to peer pressure. It's important to be kind to yourself and others to keep your heart and head healthy". -Nataleigh

"There are many ways you can sharpen your saw! Some ways that I sharpen my saw are to take time to decompress by reading, or just relaxing! Another way you can sharpen your saw is to eat well and get all the nutrients your body needs to be healthy! And make sure to get enough sleep! And remember to sharpen your saw physically, mentally, and emotionally!"

-Madison



"I sharpen my saw by eating healthy snacks, relaxing after stress, and growing flowers". - Helena



# LA TOMATINA<sup>®</sup>

## BUÑOL

From Ms. Spath  
Spanish Teacher

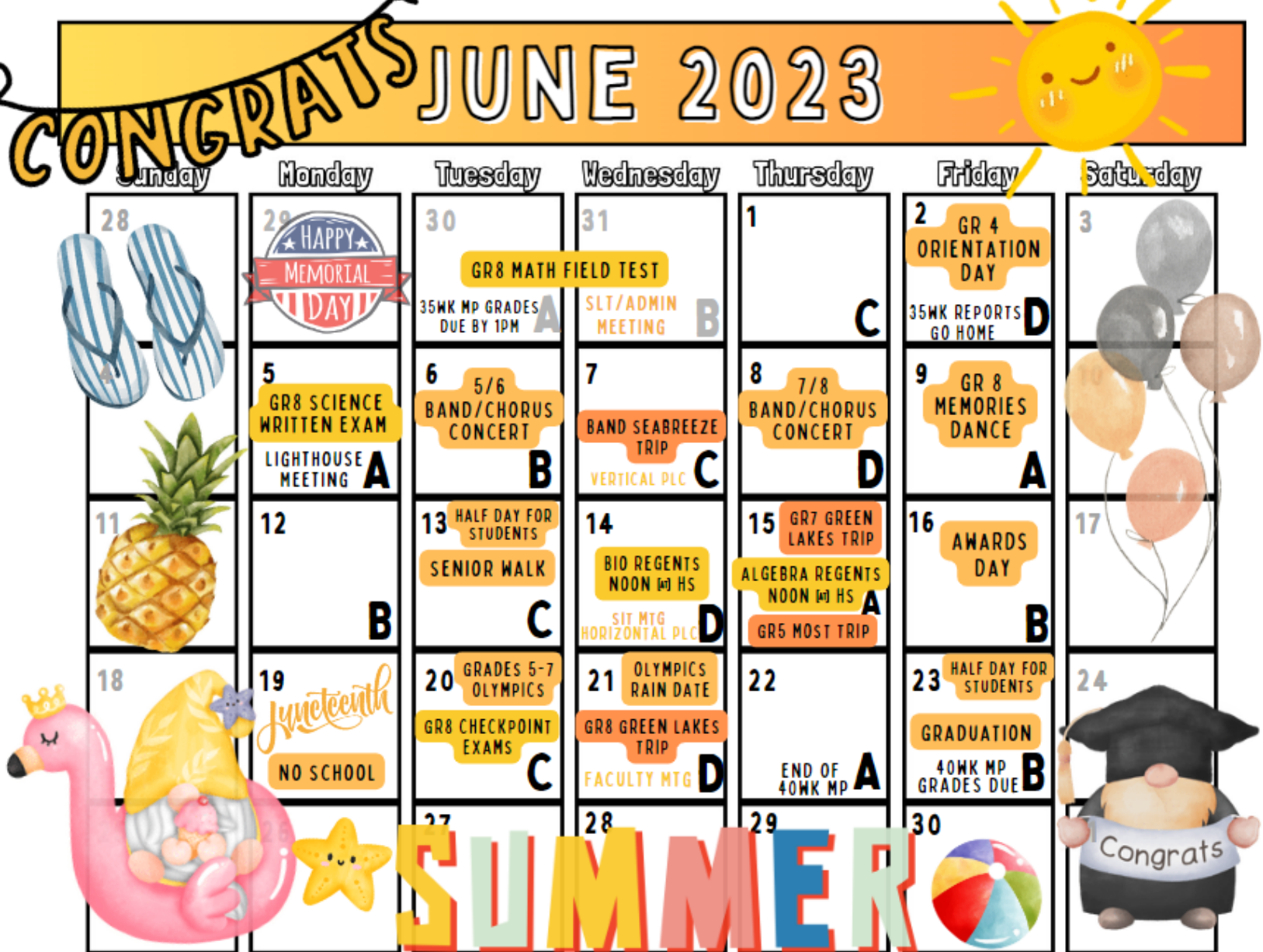


La Tomatina is a food fight festival held on the last Wednesday of August each year in the town of Buñol near to Valencia in Spain. Thousands upon thousands of people make their way from all corners of the world to fight in this 'World's Biggest Food Fight' where more than one hundred metric tons of overripe tomatoes are thrown in the streets.

Come 10 am on the day of Tomatina, a slice of ham is hung on the top of a greasy pole in the already crowded town square called the 'palo jabón'. The goal is to climb and retrieve this slice of ham with the crowd chanting and singing in encouragement (while being showered by water hoses). The moment the slice of ham is dropped from the pole, a loud signal goes off, trucks loaded with tomatoes enter and then begins the chaos.

After an hour the fighting ends. At this point, no more tomatoes can be thrown. The cleaning process involves the use of fire trucks to spray down the streets, with water provided from a Roman aqueduct. The authorities seem more concerned with cleaning the town than cleaning the visitors, so some people find water at the Bunol River to wash themselves, although some kind residents will hose passers-by down. Once the tomato pulp is flushed, the ground is clean due to the acidity of the tomato.





June TBD- Gr 6 Kickball Extravaganza

June 5- Gr 8 Written Science Exam

June 6- Gr 5/6 Band/Chorus Concert

June 7- Band/Chorus Seabreeze Field Trip

June 8- Gr 7/8 Band/Chorus Concert

June 9- Gr 8 Memories Dance

June 13- Half Day for Students

June 14- Living Environment Regents noon @ HS

June 15- Algebra Regents noon @ HS

Gr 7 Green Lakes Field Trip

Gr 5 MOST Field Trip

June 16- MMS Awards Day!

June 20- Grs 5-7 Olympics @ HS Stadium

Gr 8 Foreign Language Checkpoint Exam

June 21- Gr 8 Green Lakes Field Trip

June 23- Half Day for Students- Class of 2023 Graduation Day

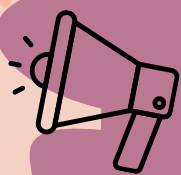




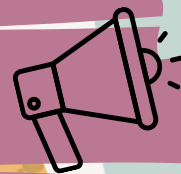
<div>  <b>LUNCH</b> </div> <div>Menu subject to change.</div> <div>JUNE 2023</div> <div>Elementary has choice of main menu, chicken patty or pbj. MS/HS has choice of main menu, chicken patty or pizza.</div>				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<div>  </div> <div>5</div> <div>Hamburger on a Bun Baked Beans Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Popcorn Chicken Seasoned Rice Carrots Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>7</div> <div>Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Broccoli Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>1</div> <div>Tacos Flour Tortillas Corn Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>2</div> <div>Pizza Green Beans Asst Fruit Milk</div>
			<div>8</div> <div>Macaroni and Cheese Dinner Roll Broccoli Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Pizza Green Beans Asst Fruit Milk</div>
			<div>15</div> <div>Regents Tacos Flour Tortillas Corn Asst Fruit/Milk</div>	<div>16</div> <div>Regents Pizza Green Beans Asst Fruit Milk</div>
<div>12</div> <div>The Max Chicken Quesadilla Broccoli Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>13</div> <div>½ Day PK-8 Hot Dog in a Bun Carrots Fruit Milk</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Regents Breakfast Brunch Pancake Jiffy Hash Browns Asst Fruit/Milk</div>	<div>22</div> <div>Regents Cooks Choice</div>	<div>23</div> <div>½ Day PK-8 Last Day of School Cooks Choice</div>
<div>19</div> <div>No School Juneteenth</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Regents Hamburger on a Bun Carrots Asst Fruit Milk</div>	<div>21</div> <div>Regents Cooks Choice</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Enjoy your summer. Free breakfast and lunch July 5-Aug 18 at the HS. More info to come.</div>	<div>30</div>
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Mexico School District is an equal opportunity provider and employer. If you have any questions concerning the school nutritional program, please contact Brenda Thomas at 315-963-8400 x 5071. Please keep accounts current and prepay for meals.  
Free-no charge. Reduced-no charge. Paid- PK-4 \$44.00 (\$2.75) and 5-12 \$46.40 (\$2.90)





# Coming Soon...



**Class of  
2023**

The Mexico High School  
Class of 2023 Graduation  
Ceremony will occur at the  
HS Stadium on Friday, June  
23rd at 7pm.

MMS Summer Skills  
Academy begins on  
July 10th and runs  
through July 28th.



**First DAY  
OF  
School**

The 2023-2024 School Year  
begins on Wednesday,  
September 6th!





## **Mexico Elementary School Based Health Center Summer Hours**

Please call 315-963-8400 ext. 4208 to have your child seen at Mexico Elementary SBHC with Delia Craig.

**EVERY TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY BETWEEN JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> AND AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup> FROM 8AM – 3PM.**

\*Closed July 4<sup>th</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, and August 4<sup>th</sup>

Students who are enrolled in the SBHC at Mexico High School, Mexico Middle School, New Haven, or Palermo Elementary can request to be seen at this location.

\*Behavioral Health and Dental Services may be available at your school. Please call the number provided for dates and times.



If your child was seen in the 22-23 school year, please fill out this quick survey to let us know how we did!