



MOCCASIN MONTHLY

Moccasin Elementary School
410 Moccasin Street Buchanan MI, 49107



SEPTEMBER 2021

Hours of Operation

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:00-4:30 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday: CLOSED

School Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:45-3:48 p.m.
Wacky Wednesday (Early Release): 8:45-3:15 p.m.

Breakfast at Moccasin:

Doors open at 8:10 a.m.

Contact Information

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Website:

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Superintendent: Patricia Robinson,

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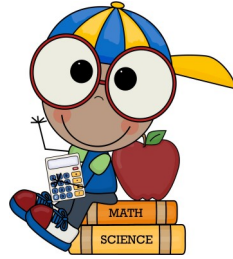
Principal: Michael Dunn,
mdunn@buchananschools.com

Secretary: Kathryn Lolmaugh,
klolmaugh@buchananschools.com

Board of Education

The Board of Education Meetings will be called at 6:00 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend.

- Monday, September 20, 2021 at the High School.



WELCOME BACK, BUCKS!

We hope you've had a wonderful summer! We're so excited to have you back for in-person learning. Per the Return to Learn Plan sent out by Superintendent Patricia Robinson, our plans are always subject to change due to the issuance of public health orders and mandates. Masking for all students and staff is currently optional unless mandated by a local or state agency. Our buses, however, are federally funded and with the existence of federal mandates regarding public transportation, students will be reminded to wear masks while on the bus. Please refer to our Return-to-Learn Plan on our district website (www.buchananschools.com) for further details on our efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We hope you have a great year; the Moccasin family eagerly welcomes you!

Tentative Schedule of Events

AUG 30 First Day of School

SEP 03 No School

06 Labor Day-No School

13 PTM Meeting 6:30 p.m.

22 Half Day for Students
(Dismissal: 12:10 p.m.)

29 Third Grade Hearing and
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SCHOOL FORMS



Please make sure to complete and return the *Enrollment Verification Form* and the *Title I Compact form* in your packet from Back to School Night. For those who were unable to attend, these forms will be sent home on the first day of school. Medication forms can be picked up at the office any time before school starts or is in session. Medications will need to be brought to the office.

CAR RIDERS FOR 2021-22



In an effort to improve our safety measures, we will be using a number system this year for car riders. Each parent will have a car tag that hangs from their rearview mirror. As you pull up on Fifth Street (as usual), we will call out cars by numbers to avoid using student names. Tags were created at back to school night, but if you were unable to attend, one will be created for you on the first day of school in the carline. Car riders will get two (2) hang tags and backpack tags with their number. If you have a student at both Moccasin and Ottawa, you need to get your car tag at Moccasin.

KIDKARE

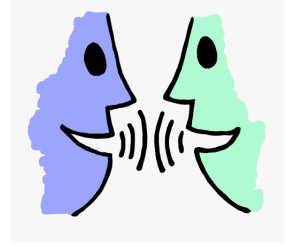
KidKare is a before and after school licensed, non-profit fee-based program focusing on



recreational and enrichment activities. KidKare is available at Moccasin Elementary to children 4 years & 9 months to 12 years of age. Shuttle Service is available for students from Ottawa and the Middle School. You may register your child by filling out the registration form and paying the annual \$35.00 per family non-refundable registration fee. Registration forms are available online on our district website and in-person at Ottawa Elementary, Moccasin Elementary and Buchanan Middle School. For more information on fees, half-day schedules, and closures, please visit buchananschools.com/kidkare/ or call 695-8408 extension 40106.

THIRD GRADE HEARING AND VISION TESTING

All 3rd graders will have their vision and hearing tested by the Berrien county Health Department September 29th and 30th. If you would like to have your 2nd or 4th grader tested for vision and/or hearing, please send a note to the school office.



PTM (PARENTS AND TEACHERS OF MOCCASIN)



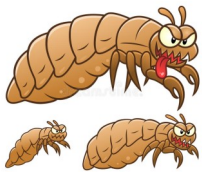
The PTM President for the 2021-22 year is Amy Cowart. We are looking for volunteers! If you're interested,

sign up online at:

<http://forms.gle/dJYL9H8FMMy4Pkdhs8>

We will begin having volunteers (MS/HS students, parents, outside organizations) work in our building starting in October. This way teachers have some time to establish routines and procedures as well as relationships with their students. Our first PTM meeting will be Monday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m., outside the Moccasin building by the playground.

CHECK THOSE HEADS!



A friendly reminder that as we return to school, you must be active about checking your child's head for Head Lice. Lice are crawling insects that live only on the human head. They do not jump or fly, but they're easily transmittable through close contact or by sharing personal items such as combs, hats, or other recently worn personal belongings.

If your student contracts Head Lice, please contact the school to acquire a form that you'll need to fill out and sign before returning your child back to school.

CARRY YOUR IDENTIFICATION

If you will be picking up your child early from school, you will need to show the office personnel your identification before your child can be released. You will be asked to sign out your child on an office form.

BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

All student breakfasts & lunches are **FREE** for the 2021-2022 school year!!

