

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Schools

Milford School Board

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The School Board generally meets on the first and third Mondays of the month in the Milford High School Library at 7:00 P.M.

2006 - 2007

SCHOOLS

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Asst. Principal</u>
Jacques Memorial 9 Elm Street 673-4434 Gr. P/K-R-1: 280 students	John Foss jfoss@sau40.com	
Heron Pond Elementary 80 Heron Pond Road 673-1811 Gr. 2-5: 815 students	Peter Bonaccorsi pbonaccorsi@sau40.com	Janice Coburn jacoburn@sau40.com
Milford Middle School 33 Osgood Road 673-5221 Gr. 6-8: 634 students	Anthony DeMarco ademarco@sau40.com	Colleen Hackett chackett@sau40.com
Milford High School 100 West Street 673-4201 Gr. 9-12: 868 students	Bradford Craven Ph.D. bcraven@sau40.com	Kenneth Harding kharding@sau40.com Diane Doran ddoran@sau40.com

Accreditation Status

- ⇒ The Jacques Elementary School is a conditionally approved elementary school by the NH Department of Education.
- ⇒ The Heron Pond Elementary School is an approved elementary school.
- ⇒ The Milford Middle School is an approved middle school. Additionally, the school is a member of the New England League of Middle Schools.
- ⇒ The Milford High School and Applied Technology Center is an approved high school by the NH Department of Education. The High School is also accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

Notice of Nondiscrimination

The Milford School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, marital status, national/ethnic origin, age, sex, sexual orientation, or disability in its programs, activities, and employment practices.

The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:
 Carrie Wildes Moreau
 Human Resources Coordinator
 100 West Street
 Milford, New Hampshire 03055
 (603) 673-2202

Staff

Professional Staff

Central Office Administration	3
Administration	16
Teachers & Specialists	219

Support Staff

Secretarial & Central Office Support	28
Buildings & Grounds Staff	25
Special Education Associates	89
Other Support Staff	11
Food Service	23

Total Full Time 354
Total Part Time 50

Total Personnel (Full Time & Part Time) 414

Did You Know...

- ◆ The Milford School District has been selected as a Follow the Child School District, one of sixteen in New Hampshire to be so designated. This distinction signifies that our practices personalize education for each and every one of our students.
- ◆ High School Social Studies teacher David Alcox is the 2005-2006 New Hampshire Social Studies Teacher of the Year.
- ◆ The Milford Middle School Mock Trial team is the 2005-2006 state champion while the high school team placed second.
- ◆ Seventy-five per cent of 2006 Milford High School graduates will be attending two or four year college programs.
- ◆ The Milford High School Girls' Softball team is the 2006 class I State Champion.
- ◆ High School students Russell Austin and Chelsea Einsidler-Moore finished first in the 2006 state Skills USA event. Russell finished first in Technical Drafting while Chelsea won the Food and Beverage Service competition.
- ◆ 18 Milford students earned first place status in the annual NH Science and Engineering Exposition.

Parent/Teacher Group Representatives 2006-2007

Heron Pond Elementary & Jacques Memorial PTO	Nancy McManus, President d.n.mcmanus@verizon.net
Middle School PTO	Christina Sanborn, President csanborn@adelphia.net
High School Football Boosters	Jerry Jorgensen jorgensenjd@juno.com
High School Music Boosters	Susan Staretop lstaretop@verizon.net

Teacher Educational Experience and Attainment

Years of Experience	Bachelor's Degree	Bachelor's Degree +15 Credits	Bachelor's Degree +30 Credits	Master's Degree	Master's Degree +15 Credits	Master's Degree +30 Credits	Total
0-5	20	3	6	8	2	2	41
6-10	16	1	6	16	5	4	48
11-13	3	2	4	11	5	4	29
14+	24	7	13	28	12	17	101
Total	63 (29%)	13 (6%)	29 (13%)	63 (29%)	24 (11%)	27 (12%)	219 (100%)

Students

Enrollments	Oct. 2005	Sept. 2006
Elementary (R-5)	1027	1044
Middle (6-8)	637	634
High (9-12)	<u>856</u>	<u>868</u>
	2520	2546
Average Class Size		
Grades R-5	22	23
Grades 6-8	25	23
Attendance Rates	2004/2005	2005/2006
Elementary	94.5%	95.2%
Middle	95.1%	94.6%
High	91.3%	91.6%

Milford High School SAT - Five Year Comparison

Year	Verbal Scores			Math Scores		
	MHS	NH	US	MHS	NH	US
2005-06	515	510* 520**	503**	521	515* 524**	518**
2004-05	518	515* 525**	508**	511	517* 525**	520**
2003-04	509	513* 522**	508**	503	513* 521**	518**
2002-03	520	513* 522**	507**	512	513* 521**	519**
2001-02	499	509* 519**	504**	480	510* 519**	516**

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Central Office Administration

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 Director of Computer Technology Matthew Bailou 673-2202
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Communications Connection

The School Board, administration, and teaching staff recognize that parents and community are important partners in educating children. Building a strong relationship between home, school, and community is critical to a quality education. As such, it is an ongoing School Board goal to build understanding through effective internal and external communications systems.

As a parent or resident, when you need specific information, it is important to begin at the appropriate level. As a parent, for instance, when questions arise about classroom activities, the first place to start is with the teacher. The following chain outlines the protocol for school information:

- *Teacher or counselor
- *Principal
- *Director of Special Education (when appropriate)
- *Superintendent of Schools
- *School Board

The School Board and administration make efforts to inform parents and citizens about school events. Generally, the School Board meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 PM in the high school library. There is always an opportunity for the public to address the School Board at these meetings. Please check the District's website or contact the Superintendent's Office for a detailed schedule of meetings.

Information about the Milford School District can also be found at www.milfordschools.net. Additionally, school information frequently appears in the Milford Cabinet and Granite Town Quarterly. School Board meetings can be seen on Community Access Channel 21.

RESOURCES

School Budget

2006/2007

Projected Revenue

Federal Aid (5%)	\$ 1,516,901
State Aid	8,166,641
Local—Tuition/Lunch Sales/Other	913,055
Local—Property Taxes (65%)	<u>19,514,080</u>
Total Projected Income (100%)	\$30,110,677

Projected Expenses

Instruction (41%)	\$12,373,973
Instructional Services (9%)	2,739,603
General Administration (4%)	1,245,901
Building Maintenance & Operations (8%)	2,352,478
Transportation (3%)	909,827
Business Services/Fringe Benefits (23%)	7,003,583
Debt Service (5%)	1,456,411
Federal Funds & Food Service (7%)	<u>2,028,901</u>
Total Projected Expenses (100%)	\$30,110,677

Average Expenditure Per Student 2004—2005

	<u>Milford</u>	<u>State</u>
Elementary	\$9,432.55	\$9,406.37
Middle	\$9,117.01	\$8,557.69
High	\$9,520.22	\$8,982.46

State Testing						
<i>October 2005 NECAP Grades 3-8</i>						
<i>May 2006 NHEIAP Grade 10</i>						
<i>New England Comprehensive Assessment Program</i>						
<i>NH Educational Improvement and Assessment Program</i>						
	Reading		Mathematics		Writing	
Grade	Milford	State of NH	Milford	State of NH	Milford	State of NH
3	77	71	83	68		
4	73	69	77	65		
5	64	67	69	63	37	51
6	79	85	67	61		
7	71	66	62	59		
8	53	62	60	56	42	49
10	88	82	81	76		

% Meeting State Proficiency Standards

Programs and Services

Bus Transportation

All students in grades 1 through 5 are provided bus transportation to and from school. Students in grades 6 through 12 who live at least one and one half (1.5 miles) from school are provided bus transportation to and from school.

School Lunch Program

All schools provide a nutritionally balanced breakfast and lunch each school day. Lunch consists of a varied menu with milk and dessert. Free and reduced lunches are available for eligible applicants. Breakfasts are \$1.25 at all schools; lunch costs \$1.90 at the Elementary Schools, \$2.25 at the Middle School, and \$2.50 at the High School.

After School Programs (privately operated)

At the elementary school the After School Program is a fee-based program that offers students help with homework, an afternoon snack, and the opportunity for social growth through appropriate play activities. This program is run during the school year from 3:05 until 6:00.

The middle school Enrichment/After-school Program provides interesting and fun after-school, school vacation and summer options for students. The parent-initiated program is supported by student fees, grants and fundraising activities.

Gifted and Talented Education

At the elementary school the gifted and talented program provides direct services to students with exceptional strengths and talents. Students are referred to this program by the classroom teacher based on student performance, work habits, social readiness, as well as testing done by the Gifted and Talented teacher. Challenging and enriching activities are provided for the students accepted into this program.

Guidance Services

At the elementary and middle schools guidance services are provided by guidance counselors as well as a psychologist. This staff does individual and group counseling, parent counseling, classroom lessons, student testing, as well as providing for outside counseling referrals when necessary.

MHS Student Services offers a comprehensive guidance and counseling program. Besides the counselors, staff includes a psychologist, a social worker, and a career counselor. Also available is a resource and career center for students and alumni.

Special Education Programs and Services

Special Education services are provided to students between the ages of 3 and 21 through the process of evaluation and identification. Milford School District provides a comprehensive range of specialized instruction based upon the unique needs of identified children. Specialized instruction includes, but is not limited to, general remediation and/or specialized programs at each level within the district.

Summer School

Summer school provides the opportunity for students to receive remediation and support to strengthen skills and prepare for a successful ensuing year. Summer School programs provide support for elementary, middle and high school students. MHS offers credit completion programs in Math, English, Science, and Social Studies.

Title I Programming

Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), the federal government provides to local school districts funding designed to help children meet the state proficiencies. This funding is known as Title I. Specifically, the purpose of Title I is twofold: (1) to provide children with supplemental support through enriched and accelerated school programs; and (2) to provide instructional personnel in participating schools with opportunities for professional development.

Title I Summer Skills Reading Program

This three-week program held in July is offered to Title One identified students in grades R-5. The purpose of this program is to reinforce skills taught during the school year, to continue remediation and to introduce students to content area reading topics for the upcoming year.

Title I After School Academic Assistance Program

The after school program is designed to assist Title One students in grades 3-5 who need additional support in meeting literacy goals and completing assignments. The program meets shortly after the school day for 45minutes-one hour.

Title I School Day Program

This program is offered to Title One identified students in grades R-5. Teacher/ Para educator teams work with small groups of students to pre-teach, remediate, and/or reinforce literacy skills.

Programs and Services continued

Applied Technology Center

Career & Technical Education offers a variety of one or two credit programs in semester or full year sequences preparing students to continue their course of study at 2 or 4-year colleges, learn and apply technical and academic related skills that will enable them to succeed at advanced levels of training and/or education and acquire entry-level skills for employment upon graduation:

Programs available to all sending schools (Souhegan, Hollis/Brookline, Wilton/Lyndeborough) are:

- Accounting
- Biotechnology *
- Construction Technology
 - Blueprint Reading & Design
 - Woodworking
- Business Technology
- Computer Science & Technology: 2 Pathways
 - Introduction to Programming
 - Java Programming
 - Data Structures & Algorithms
 - Networking
 - Systems
- Culinary Arts
- Graphic Arts (College Credit in Process of 06-07)
- Marketing
 - Fashion Merchandising
 - Sports & Entertainment Marketing
- Precision Machining
- Project Lead the Way – Pre-Engineering*
 - Engineering Design *
 - Engineering Capstone *
 - Electronics (subject to enrollment)*
 - Robotics (subject to enrollment)

TV Production I, II

* College Credit available

Driver's Education

The Milford School District provides a fee-based driver education program to students who meet age eligibility requirements. Classes are offered on a year round basis. Students receive both classroom and on-the-road training to prepare for the NH State Driver Examination.

MHS Athletics

Fall: Football, Volleyball, Soccer, Cross-Country, Golf, Cheerleading.

Winter: Basketball, Indoor Track, Skiing (Nordic and Alpine), Wrestling, Cheerleading.

Spring: Baseball, Softball, Tennis, Track, Lacrosse.

Destination Imagination

Students of the Milford School District can participate on Destination Imagination (D.I.) Teams at elementary, middle, and high school levels led by parent and teacher volunteers. In D.I., participants work together to create unique solutions to team challenges through their uses of creativity, teamwork, and problem solving. More information can be found at www.nh-di.org.

MMS Co-Curricular Activities

As part of the total education program, MMS offers a number of after-school activities and clubs which encourage the development of cooperation, interdependence, confidence, and pride. Activities include Drama, Student Council, Math Team, Art Club, Yearbook, School Newspaper, Mock Trial, Computer Team and Kaley Speaking/Kaley Writing.

MHS Co-Curricular Activities

MHS offers a wealth of co-curriculars for enrichment, leadership and service, and academic challenge. The latter include award winning Art, Mock Trial, Math, Music, Computer, We the People, History Day Teams, Skills USA and Science and Engineering Expo competitors.

Other co-curriculars include French and Spanish, Marketing, Business, History, Bible, and Environment clubs; along with Radio Broadcasting, Theater, Music and Arts festivals, S.A.D. D., National Honor Society and Student Council.

Information Literacy

Students at all schools have access to current media and print resources and technology applications. A comprehensive information literacy/technology literacy curriculum guides integrated instruction throughout the grades.