

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. Elementary Schools - breakfast \$1.25, lunch \$2.25. Middle School - breakfast \$1.50, lunch \$2.75. High School - breakfast \$1.75, lunch \$3.00.

After School Programs (privately operated)

At the Elementary Schools, after school programming is available through private organizations.

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 and Middle Schools the gifted and talented program provides direct services to students with exceptional strengths and talents. Students in grades 3-8 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 1 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 1. Specifically, the purpose of Title 1 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 1 Summer Skills Reading and Math Program

This three-week summer program is offered to identified Title 1 students in grades K-5. This program is designed to reinforce reading and math skills taught during the school year and to continue remediation. Each student's areas of need in both reading and math are targeted and instruction is matched to meet these needs.

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.

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.

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.

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 ~ Business Technology ~ Computer Science & Technology ~ Culinary Arts ~ Graphic Arts ~ Marketing ~ Precision Machining ~ Project Lead the Way ~ Pre-Engineering* ~ TV Production I, II.
* College Credit available

MHS Athletics

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

Winter: Basketball, Indoor Track, Wrestling, Cheerleading.

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

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.

Professional Development Goals & Priorities

Milford Elementary School - Jacques

- To develop an effective Kindergarten program that supports the learning of all Kindergarten students.
- To continue to improve reading instruction for all students through RtI practices and programs.

Milford Elementary School - Heron Pond

- To continue to improve reading and math instruction for all students by expanding RtI practices and programs to all grades.
- To implement effective Science and Social Studies units and core assessments.
- To expand personalization efforts through the use of Performance Pathways and student goal setting protocols.

Milford Middle School

- To expand personalization efforts through the use of Performance Pathways, student goal setting practices and ePortfolios.
- To improve reading and math instruction for all students by introducing RtI practices and programs.
- To continue to improve curriculum and instruction in reading and writing across all content areas.

Milford High School

- To expand personalization efforts through the use of Performance Pathways and other softwares.
- To continue to improve reading and math instruction for all students by expanding RtI practices and programs.
- To continue to improve curriculum and instruction by developing a system that includes curriculum maps and guides, core assessments and shared teacher resources.

SCHOOLS

Principal

Asst. Principal

Jacques Memorial

John Foss

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Gr. PK-K-R-1: 365 students

Heron Pond Elementary

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Gr. 2-5: 819 students

Milford Middle School

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Gr. 6-8: 678 students

Milford High School

Bradford Craven Ph.D.

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Gr. 9-12: 912 students

Stephen Claire

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Accreditation Status

⇒ The Jacques Elementary School is an approved elementary school by the NH Department of Education.

⇒ The Heron Pond Elementary School is an approved elementary school by the NH Department of Education.

⇒ The Milford Middle School is an approved middle school by the NH Department of Education. 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:

Jennifer Burk
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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 Lecture Hall, Room #182 at 7:00 P.M.

2009 - 2010

Central Office Administration

Superintendent of Schools	Robert A. Suprenant rsuprenant@sau40.com	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 lecture hall, room #182 in the high school. 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 Cabinet, and The Granite Town Quarterly. School Board meetings can be seen on Community Access Channel 21.

Staff

Professional Staff

Central Office Administration	3
Administration	15
Teachers & Specialists	225

Support Staff

Secretarial & Central Office Support	34
Buildings & Grounds Staff	25
Special Education Associates	83
Other Support Staff	23
Food Service	23

Total Full Time 385
Total Part Time 46

Total Personnel (Full Time & Part Time) 431

Parent/Teacher Group Representatives 2009-2010

Heron Pond Elementary & Jacques Memorial PTO	Tricia Shea lilmollyshea@aol.com
Middle School PTO	Becci Young youngbec1@comcast.net
High School Football Boosters	Rita Siegel rsiegel@ems.com
High School Music Boosters	John Millhouse millhouse@me.com

Did You Know ?...

- ◆ 2004 Milford High School graduate Jeff Mack was named the Union Leader's 2009 Male Athlete of the Year for his achievements as a running back for the Plymouth State University football team.
- ◆ The Milford Middle School Destination Imagination team won their state competition and placed 20th in the world competition in Tennessee.
- ◆ Milford High School Band Director Brad Smith served as a guest conductor of the Boston Pops at their Christmas Concert in Manchester.
- ◆ The Milford High School Girls' Indoor Track Team is the reigning New Hampshire Class I Champion.
- ◆ Assistant Superintendent Laurie Johnson has been elected to Leadership New Hampshire, a cohort group of emerging New Hampshire leaders.
- ◆ 2009 Milford High School graduate Kyle Jackson earned a full scholarship, valued at \$150,000, from the United States Marine Corp.
- ◆ Milford High School's We the People team won the state competition for the seventh time in the last twelve years and placed 28th in the national competition.
- ◆ 2006 Milford High School graduate Kristen Bokhan won Clark University's prestigious Astolfi Memorial Award for combined academic and co-curricular success.
- ◆ 2009 Milford High School graduates will attend, among other schools, Harvard, Holy Cross, Villanova, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and the Rochester Institute of Technology.

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	18	3	4	19	1	1	46
6-10	9	4	6	14	6	6	45
11-13	6	1	2	11	5	6	31
14+	17	6	11	30	15	24	103
Total	50 (22%)	14 (6%)	23 (10%)	74 (33%)	27 (12%)	37 (17%)	225 (100%)

97% of Milford School District teachers meet the HQT (highly qualified teacher) requirements as defined by the State of New Hampshire.

Students

	1st day	1st day
Enrollments	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Elementary Jacques (R-1)	222	201
Elementary Jacques (PK-K 1/2 day)	31	164
Elementary Heron Pond (2-5)	792	819
Middle (6-8)	649	678
High (9-12)	<u>883</u>	<u>912</u>
	2577	2774
Average Class Size		
Grades R-5	22	22
Grades 6-8	23	23
Attendance Rates	<u>2007/2008</u>	<u>2008/2009</u>
Elementary	97.2%	95.0%
Middle	95.4%	99.3%
High	93.4%	93.2%

Milford High School SAT - Five Year Comparison

Year	Critical Reading Scores			Math Scores			Writing Scores		
	MHS	NH	US	MHS	NH	US	MHS	NH	US
2008-09	507	513* 523**	501**	521	515* 523**	515**	506	499* 510**	493**
2007-08	523	513* 521**	502**	512	516* 523**	515**	513	502* 511**	494**
2006-07	517	511* 521**	502**	515	512* 521**	515**	509	501* 512**	494**
2005-06	515	510* 520**	503**	521	515* 524**	518**	511	499* 509**	497**
2004-05	518	515* 525**	508**	511	517* 525**	520**			
* NH public schools only **Includes private schools			* NH public schools only **Includes private schools			* NH public schools only **Includes private schools			

RESOURCES

School Budget

2009/2010

Projected Revenue

Federal Aid	\$1,768,291	4%
State Aid	9,436,572	27%
Local—Tuition/Lunch Sales/Other	1,591,570	5%
Local—Property Taxes	<u>21,822,259</u>	<u>63%</u>
Total Projected Income	\$34,618,692	100%

Projected Expenses

Instruction	\$14,300,950	41%
Instructional Services	3,430,537	10%
General Administration	1,173,515	3%
Building Maintenance & Operations	2,256,989	7%
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	310,051	1%
Transportation	869,494	2%
Business Services/Fringe Benefits	8,293,779	24%
Debt Service	1,715,086	5%
Federal Funds & Food Service	<u>2,268,291</u>	<u>7%</u>
Total Projected Expenses	\$34,618,692	100%

Average Expenditure Per Student 2007- 2008

	<u>Milford</u>	<u>State</u>
Elementary	\$10,501.12	\$11,506.68
Middle	\$10,958.22	\$10,639.57
High	\$11,407.52	\$10,876.72
Total (Pre-School - 12)	\$10,932.52	\$11,135.10

State Testing

**October 2008 NECAP Grades 3-8, 11
New England Comprehensive Assessment Program
% Meeting State Proficiency Standards**

Grade	Reading		Mathematics		Writing	
	Milford	State of NH	Milford	State of NH	Milford	State of NH
3	78	78	72	72		
4	64	75	69	73		
5	69	76	75	73	57	60
6	78	74	75	69		
7	83	77	73	66		
8	66	71	65	65	52	51
11	78	72	34	32	37	39

Adequate Yearly Progress - August 2009

Adequate Yearly Progress is the accountability measure required by the Federal No Child Left Behind Act.

- Heron Pond Elementary School met AYP indicators for all subgroups in Math and Reading except socioeconomically disadvantaged and educational disability.
- Milford Middle School met AYP indicators in Math and Reading for all subgroups.
- Milford High School met AYP indicators in Math and Reading for all subgroups.