

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. Morning kindergarten students have transportation to school only, while afternoon kindergarten students may ride the bus home.

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.

Early Drop Off Program (privately operated)

Children in the elementary schools may be dropped off at the Jacques Memorial School as early as 7:00 AM. This is a fee-based program. Interested parents should call the New Mornings Program at 669-3591.

After School Programs (privately operated)

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 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 and Math Program

This three-week summer program is offered to identified Title I 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

Milford and area high school students (Hollis-Brookline, Souhegan and Wilton-Lyndeborough) have the opportunity to participate in Career & Technical Education Programs that will give them a head start in becoming college and career ready for the coming economy. Rigorous programming is available in the following areas: Accounting, Biotechnology, Business Technology, Computer Programming & Technology, Construction Technology, Culinary Arts, Graphic Arts, Marketing, Precision Machining, Pre-Engineering, Video Production. Dual college/high school credit and/or college articulated credit is available in some programs.

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

Jacques Memorial Elementary School

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

Heron Pond Elementary School

- To continue to improve reading and math instruction for all students by expanding RtI practices and programs to all grades.
- To expand personalization efforts through the use of Performance Pathways and student goal setting protocols, and e Portfolios.

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.

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

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Asst. Principal</u>
Jacques Memorial 9 Elm Street 673-4434 Gr. PK-K-R-1: 383 students	John Foss jfoss@sau40.com	

Heron Pond Elementary 80 Heron Pond Road 673-1811 Gr. 2-5: 838 students	Peter Bonaccorsi pbonaccorsi@sau40.com	Chantal Alcox calcox@sau40.com

Milford Middle School 33 Osgood Road 673-5221 Gr. 6-8: 625 students	Anthony DeMarco ademarco@sau40.com	Colleen Hackett chackett@sau40.com

Milford High School 100 West Street 673-4201 Gr. 9-12: 970 students	Bradford Craven Ph.D. bcraven@sau40.com	Diane Doran ddoran@sau40.com Stephen Claire sclaire@sau40.com

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
Human Resources Coordinator
100 West Street
Milford, New Hampshire 03055
(603) 673-2202

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Schools

Milford School Board

Peter Bragdon, Chairperson	(2012)	673-6730
PeterBragdon@myfairpoint.net		
Paul Dargie, Vice-Chairperson	(2011)	672-5336
PaulDargie@aol.com		
Carolyn Magri Halstead	(2011)	672-7141
Cdsmhal@gmail.com		
Len Mannino	(2013)	732-3481
Mannino8@comcast.net		
Robert Willette	(2013)	673-1465
Bandwillette@comcast.net		

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.

2010 - 2011

Central Office Administration

Superintendent of Schools	Robert A. Suprenant rsuprenant@sau40.com	673-2202
Assistant Supt. Of Schools	Laurel K. Johnson ljohnson@sau40.com	673-2202
Business Administrator	Katherine E. L. Chambers kcchambers@sau40.com	673-2202

District Wide Services

Director of Special Services	Johanna Johnson jjohnson@sau40.com	673-6709
Director of Buildings & Grounds	William Cooper wcooper@sau40.com	673-2202
Director of Computer Technology	Scott Field sfield@sau40.com	673-2202

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	227

Support Staff

Secretarial & Central Office Support	33
Buildings & Grounds Staff	25
Special Education Associates	83
Other Support Staff	29
Food Service	22

Total Full Time 360
Total Part Time 77

Total Personnel (Full Time & Part Time) 437

Parent/Teacher Group Representatives 2009-2010

Heron Pond Elementary & Jacques Memorial PTO	Pam Rizzo rizzogagne@gmail.com
Middle School PTO	Ann Ulbin
High School Football Boosters	Rita Siegel rsiegel@ems.com
High School Music Boosters	Ken Quast kquast@gmail.com

Did You Know ?...

- ◆ BAE Systems donated thirty desktops, twenty laptops and an LCD projector to the District last year. Special thanks to Milford parent and resident Tom Cauley.
- ◆ State Senator Peter Bragdon has served as Chairman of the Milford School Board for twelve years.
- ◆ Milford Middle School students placed in the top ten middle schools in the state in the Johns Hopkins Talent Search test this past year..
- ◆ Milford High School's boys basketball team won the Class I State Basketball Championships for the first time since 1975.
- ◆ The Heron Pond and Jacques Memorial Elementary Schools were selected as Blue Ribbon Schools by the NH Partners in Education Committee in recognition of the large number of parent and volunteer activities in the schools.
- ◆ High School Senior Jack Kilgore won the Class I state wrestling championship.
- ◆ Three Milford Destination Imagination teams advanced to the world competition in Tennessee.
- ◆ High School staff members Mary Arrowsmith, Dana Bourassa, Diane Doran, and Jim St.Onge were recognized as Good Samaritan Heroes by the NH Chapter of the American Red Cross..

RESOURCES

School Budget 2010/2011

Projected Revenue

Federal Aid	\$2,187,993	6%
State Aid	9,177,073	26%
Local—Tuition/Lunch Sales/Other	1,944,884	5%
Local—Property Taxes	22,205,783	63%
Total Projected Income	\$35,515,733	100%

Projected Expenses

Instruction	\$14,426,130	41%
Instructional Services	3,539,222	10%
General Administration	1,211,328	3%
Building Maintenance & Operations	2,349,782	7%
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction	2	0%
Transportation	916,805	2%
Business Services/Fringe Benefits	8,723,467	24%
Debt Service	1,656,004	5%
Federal Funds & Food Service	2,692,993	8%
Total Projected Expenses	\$35,515,733	100%

Average Expenditure Per Student 2008- 2009

	Milford	State
Elementary	\$10,577.52	\$12,095.86
Middle	\$11,305.27	\$11,160.01
High	\$11,872.35	\$11,573.01
Total (Pre-School - 12)	\$11,205.24	\$11,745.55

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	17	1	3	22	0	1	44
6-10	11	2	7	14	6	4	44
11-13	8	1	2	6	3	6	26
14+	17	4	12	33	20	27	113
Total	53 (23%)	8 (3%)	24 (10%)	75 (33%)	29 (13%)	38 (18%)	227 (100%)

99% of Milford School District teachers meet the HQT (highly qualified teacher) requirements as defined by the State of New Hampshire.

Students

	1st day 2009	1st day 2010
Enrollments		
Elementary Jacques (R-1)	201	205
Elementary Jacques (PK-K 1/2 day)	164	178
Elementary Heron Pond (2-5)	819	838
Middle (6-8)	678	625
High (9-12)	912	970
	2774	2816

Average Class Size

Grades R-5	22	22
Grades 6-8	22	22

Attendance Rates 2008/2009 2009/2010

Elementary	95.0%	94.5%
Middle	99.3%	94.9%
High	93.2%	93.5%

Year	Critical Reading Scores			Math Scores			Writing Scores		
	MHS	NH	US	MHS	NH	US	MHS	NH	US
2009-10	505	513* 520**	501**	507	519* 524**	516**	489	503* 510**	492**
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**
* NH public schools only **Includes private schools			* NH public schools only **Includes private schools			* NH public schools only **Includes private schools			

Grade	Reading		Mathematics		Writing	
	Milford	State of NH	Milford	State of NH	Milford	State of NH
3	83	80	78	76		
4	73	75	67	75		
5	78	79	73	75		
6	78	76	69	72		
7	84	77	74	66		
8	81	70	75	66		
11	80	73	40	33	50	50

Adequate Yearly Progress - August 2010

Adequate Yearly Progress is the accountability measure required by the Federal No Child Left Behind Act. Did Milford Students Make AYP?

	Reading 2010	Math 2010
Heron Pond whole school	Yes	Yes
HP Hispanic	Yes	Yes
HP socio-economically disadvantaged	Yes	No
HP special education	No	No
HP limited English proficient	Yes	Yes
Middle school whole school		Yes
MMS Black/African American	Yes	Yes
MMS socio-economically disadvantaged	Yes	No
MMS special education	Yes	No
High School whole school	Yes	Yes
MHS socio-economically disadvantaged	Yes	No
MHS special education	No	No

Heron Pond and Jacques Memorial were designated as a Schools in Need of Improvement.