



Messenger



The end of this quest is the beginning of the next journey

What is your Quest for Excellence?

From MVA Office Professional, Ronna Olivier: My quest is to make things work as smoothly and efficiently as possible. I have loved working with the MVA students and families and staff for the last several years. My next quest is retirement and the learning and experiences that will bring!



May is the month of recognition, 5th grade moving to middle school, 8th grade moving to high school and seniors moving to the next step in their journey. Congratulations to all of our MVA students who are making these transitions, as well as to all of the other grades who are moving up.

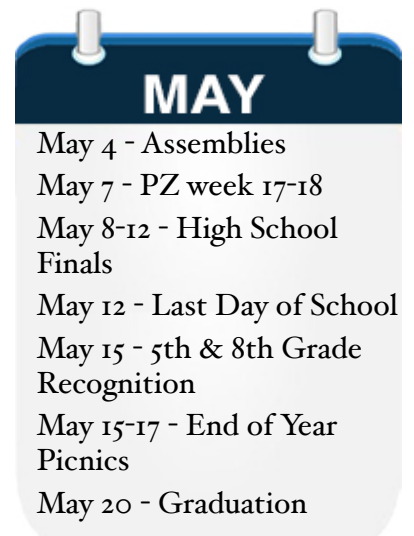
Graduation is May 20th at the Rezac Auditorium, Manhattan High School. Recognition for the 5th grade class is online on May 15th at 6:00 pm and 8th grade is at 6:30. The link will be posted on the MVA landing page.

We are having End of the Year Picnics in different locations across the state. Here is the link if you haven't signed up yet. We will need to have at least three families at a location for it to happen. <https://forms.office.com/r/BMvrqrS6xt> Bring a sack lunch or food from your favorite eatery and join the fun!

K-8 will have classes through May 12. High school finals are May 8-12. Make sure you have the information you need to finish your semester quest strong.

This month our Student Spotlight features our seniors. Check them out on pages 4-6. The June newsletter will feature our graduation celebrations as well as the 5th and 8th grade students. We do so enjoy seeing pictures of our students!

Thank you for allowing us to be part of your quest for excellence this year. The students and families are the best part of MVA. To those returning next school year, see you soon. To those who are continuing the journey elsewhere, we wish you every success. Happy questing!



MAY

- May 4 - Assemblies
- May 7 - PZ week 17-18
- May 8-12 - High School Finals
- May 12 - Last Day of School
- May 15 - 5th & 8th Grade Recognition
- May 15-17 - End of Year Picnics
- May 20 - Graduation

Elementary Quests

This nine weeks K-2 students have been learning about economy. Students are exploring how people make choices because they cannot have everything they want. We have done activities to learn about wants and needs as well as understand that money can be used to purchase goods and services. To end the unit students explored jobs. Here are some things they want to be when they grow up:

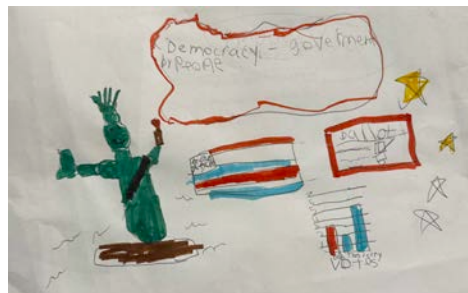
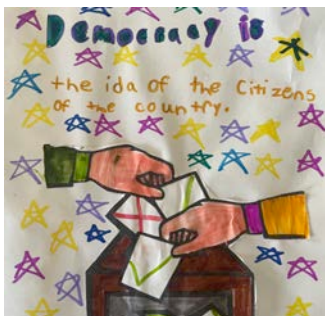
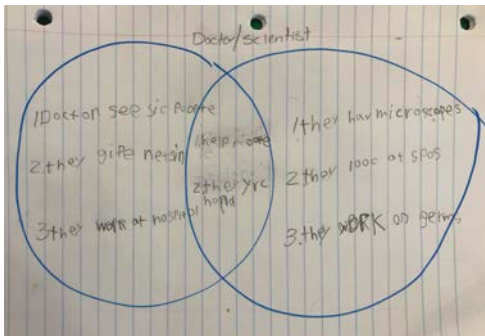
"I want to be an artist. I'm going to paint pictures." Riley

"I want to be a veterinarian and doctor. I'm going to help pets." Gabby

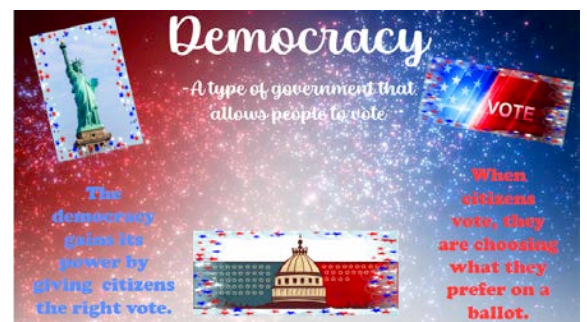
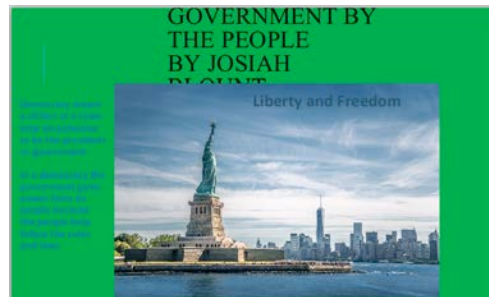
"I have not decided yet. I wish I could be an ice cream lady and a hairstylist. I would do people's hair and make ice cream." Skylor

"I've got multiple choices. I want to be a lineman, a fire fighter, and a cowboy. While I would be a fire fighter I would like to drive the trucks." Benjamin

"I kind of want to be a business man. I could sit in my chair and not have to worry about anything, I would just have to do work." Charleston



Third graders have been working on learning about communities and what is a democracy this year in social studies. Check out the posters they made to show what democracy is.



Cooking club was a HUGE hit. We did fruit kabobs today. We had many creative hands and ideas coming into making our fresh fruit kabobs. Some were all grapes, some had donuts and chocolate drizzled with the fruit, and others had kiwi, watermelon, and pineapple. It was a fun and healthy treat for our warm Kansas afternoon!

Graduation



Recognition

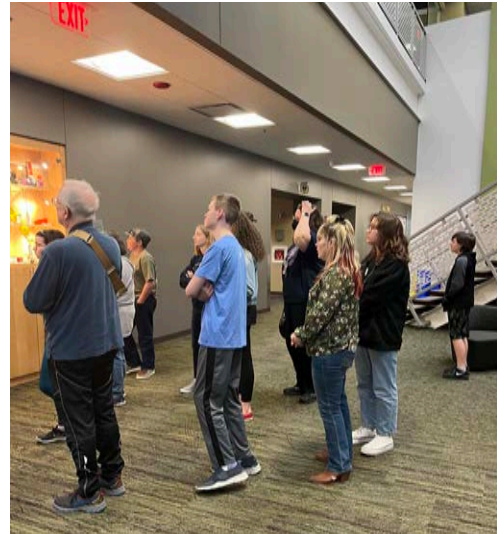
Graduation Details

Who: MVA Students, Families, & Guests
What: Graduation Ceremony
When: Saturday, May 20, at 2:00 p.m.
Where: Manhattan High School Rezac Auditorium
Why: Celebrate your accomplishments and your future, meet your classmates and staff in person.
RSVP for Graduation <https://forms.office.com/r/fPawfZeDbF>

5th Grade & 8th Grade Recognition

Who: MVA Students, Families, & Guests
What: Recognition Ceremony
When: Monday, May 15, at 6:00 & 6:30 p.m.
Where: MVA Online, look for the link on the MVA landing page
Why: Celebrate your accomplishments along with MVA teachers and staff, as well as your next steps in your education journey.

KC Quest to the Johnson County Crime Lab: In March, our KC Quest took us to the Johnson County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab in Olathe. We met at Chipotle for lunch and then went to the Criminalistics Laboratory for our tour. We learned about the different types of things the lab investigates, and toured nine laboratory spaces that look at things like latent prints, trace evidence, firearms, etc. The facility provides law enforcement with specialized forensics research and collaborative space for investigators.



Enrollment is open for the 2023-2024 school year! Don't forget to **fill out your online enrollment** - you aren't enrolled until you have completed the process in Infinite Campus. If you have questions, please call the office.

After you are enrolled, you can schedule classes with Mrs. Simkins.

This month we are celebrating our senior class of 2023!

**Student
Spotlight**

Payton Blank



Eden Bouziden



Estie Barngrover



Schlyer Clark



Sydney Herrin

Kelsey Dudley



Kali Bloedorn

Alyce Donoho



Tristan Clemons



Vega Cordray



Madison Hutton

Brecken Padget



Haley Friesen



Soren Johnson



Jacob Mason



Saige Pemberton



Ava Mills

Queren Lopez



Taylor Raupe



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