

# SUMMER

## 2009

### *Aledo Community Unit School District #201*

June	1	NO SCHOOL – Teacher’s Institute V/JV HS Boys Baseball, IHSA Supersectional, TBA, TBA	
	2	Last Day of School - Dismiss at 8:35 a.m. – Report Cards sent home. Mercer County Golden Eagles Basketball Camp for grades 9-12 (June 2, 3, & 5)	
	4	Market Day pick up at Apollo, 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.	
	6	Jazz Band performs at Rhubarb Fest, 10:00 a.m. to Noon	
	15-26	College for Kids at Monmouth College	
	July	13-17	Mercer County Boys Basketball Camp for grades 3-8 (See registration in bulletin.)
20		Mercer County High School Football Camp – July 20 thru July 23 (Youth – 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.) (High School - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.) (See registration in bulletin.)	
August	3-7	College for Kids at Black Hawk College	
	10	Registration for all 5 schools in district, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Mercer County High School in Aledo grades 9-12, Mercer County Intermediate School in Aledo grades 5-6, Mercer County Jr. High School in Joy grades 7-8, New Boston Elementary School grades PK-4, and Apollo Elementary School in Aledo grades PK-4) Marching Band Camp (Aug. 10-14) Information provided at a later date.	
	11	Registration for all 5 schools in district, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	
	12	Practice Starts for Boys & Girls Golf and High School Football	
	18	JV/V Girls Golf, Farmington, There, 2:00 p.m.	
	19	JV/V Boys Golf, Farmington, There, 4:00 p.m.	
	20	Teacher’s Institute	
	21	Teacher’s Institute F/JV/V Football, Meet the Team, Here, 6:00 p.m.	
	22	Varsity Girls Golf, Rock Falls Invitational, at Rock River Country Club, 1:00 p.m.	
	24	First Student Attendance Day, Early Dismissals: 11:30 a.m. JV/V HS Girls Golf, Alwood, Here, 4:00 p.m. Practice Starts for JH Football and JH Volleyball	
	25	JV/V HS Girls Golf, Galesburg, Here, 3:45 p.m.	
	26	JV/V HS Boys Golf, Williamsfield, Here, 4:00 p.m. Varsity HS Boys Golf, Knoxville, Here, 4:00 p.m. Meet the Team for F/JV/V HS Girls Volleyball, Here, 6:00 p.m.	
	27	Apollo Open House – K thru 2 <sup>nd</sup> grades (6:30-7:15 p.m.) & 3 <sup>rd</sup> thru 4 <sup>th</sup> grades (7:30-8:15)	
	29	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Football, Camp Point Jamboree, There, 11:15 a.m. Varsity Boys Golf, Monmouth Invitational, There, 8:00 a.m. FS Football, West Hancock, at Hamilton, 1:00 p.m. Varsity Football, West Hancock, at Hamilton, 3:00 p.m.	
	31	Varsity Boys Golf, Galesburg, There, 4:00 p.m. JV/Varsity HS Volleyball, Williamsfield, Here, 6:00 p.m.	
	September	1	Varsity HS Boys Golf, Cambridge, There, 4:00 p.m.
		2	JV/Varsity HS Girls Golf, Alleman, Here, 4:00 p.m. F/JV/V HS Volleyball, Monmouth-Roseville, at Monmouth, 5:00 p.m. Varsity HS Cross Country, Monmouth-Roseville, Here, 4:30 p.m.
		3	JV/V HS Boys Golf, United, Here, 4:00 p.m. Varsity HS Cross Country, Rockridge, Here, 4:30 p.m.
		4	Varsity HS Football, Annawan-Wethersfield, Here, 7:00 p.m.
		5	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball, United, at Monmouth, 9:15 a.m. 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball, Costa Tournament, at Galesburg, TBA

#### REGISTRATION DATES, FEES, & MEAL PRICES

Registration for the 2009/10 school year will be held August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> (10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.) at all five schools in the newly consolidated district. Parents/guardians will be asked to **PAY FEES AT THAT TIME**. Mercer County School District #404 has approved the registration fees and meal prices for the 2009/10 school year. The elementary school’s registration fees at Apollo and New Boston will be: \$51 for registration, \$1.75 for paid lunches, \$1.00 for paid breakfast, and milk-break fee of \$24 per semester. The fees at the junior high school in Joy and the intermediate school in Aledo will be: \$52 for registration, \$1.75 for paid lunches, and \$1.00 for paid breakfast. The Mercer County High School registration fee will be \$75 plus any course fees applicable. The meal prices at the high school are: \$2.00 for paid lunches, \$2.00 for salad bar, and \$1.00 for paid breakfasts.

## MAGAZINE SALES

Mercer County High School will be starting the magazine sale/renewal on September 9<sup>th</sup>. This is the primary fundraiser for the yearbook, prom, and all classes. All magazine orders/renewals are through QSP. Orders are guaranteed 100% by the company. Please help Mercer County High School students with your orders. You can go to QSP .com and enter the school code #425001297 to place an order year round. If you have any questions, contact Mercer County High School at 582-2223.

## SUMMER PROGRAMS

**COLLEGE FOR KIDS:** Will be held at Monmouth College June 15<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> and at Blackhawk College August 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup>. Bus transportation will be provided by Westmer and will include any students from their district.

The Monmouth College summer program bus fee is \$20 per student or \$15 per student for families sending more than one child. The bus will leave Apollo every morning at 8:10 except the first day when the bus will leave at 7:35 a.m. The bus will drop off at 1:00 p.m. at Apollo. Please have your child turn in a check to the Apollo office before the end of the school year to reserve a seat.

A bus will also be available to Black Hawk College. Pick up will be at Apollo at 7:30 a.m. and will return at 1:00 p.m. The bus fee will be \$15 per student or \$10 per student for families sending more than one child. Please have your child turn in a check to Aledo Jr. High School before the end of the school year to reserve a seat if you have not already done so.

**INCOMING FRESHMAN ACADEMY:** Starts June 8<sup>th</sup> and ends July 17<sup>th</sup>. Bus transportation will be provided by Westmer.

## MERCER CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Summer Reading Program 2009

All ages are invited to take part in the reading program. Participants will read five books out of eight categories at their reading level during the program to be eligible for reading prizes. To be eligible for reading program prizes, participants must *register* at the library by June 5, 2009.

### Summer Events

June 18	10:30 a.m.	Fire Truck/Extinguisher Training
June 25	11:00 a.m.	Furry Friends Petting Zoo
July 2	1:00 p.m.	Forest Park Nature Workshop
July 9	10:30 a.m.	Puppet Playhouse Theater

Events are open to the public and no registration is required to attend. Please visit us at 200 North College Ave., Aledo, IL, (309)582-2032, or <http://mercercarnegielibrary.home.mchsi.com>

## MERCER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

Honor your favorite student, graduate, teacher, or alumni with a donation to the Mercer County High School library. The high school library now has a wish list of books for the collection requested by staff and students and is viewable at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) Donors can select items from the "Aledo/Mercer County High School" wish list to purchase and the books will be sent directly to the school. Upon arrival, each book will be labeled with a bookplate to indicate the person or event the book is donated in honor of. This is perfect for birthdays, graduations, reunions, or "just because". Support the high school students of Mercer County with the gift of books! Please contact Brooke Fleurette at 309-582-2223 if you have any questions. Donors can also visit the wish list directly at <http://www.amazon.com/wishlist/366OUBMZY8W0GV>

## BEGINNING BAND STUDENTS

There will be an informational meeting on August 25<sup>th</sup> for all parents of beginning band students to be held at Mercer County Intermediate School in Aledo from 4:00-6:00 p.m. You may attend at the time most convenient for you during the two-hour time frame. During this time, questions will be answered regarding the Mercer County School District Band program. For your convenience, a representative from the Kidder Music Store in Peoria will be present to explain instrumental rental and settle any financial matters at this time. Please feel free to use any music store that you prefer but keep in mind that the Kidder Music Store will be the company servicing the junior high musical needs for next school year. If you already have an instrument, please bring it to the meeting so it may be checked for good playing condition. We ask you to consider this important aspect of your child's education and attend this informative meeting.

## PHYSICAL & IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2009/10 SCHOOL YEAR

All students entering Pre-K (for the first time), Kindergarten, Sixth and Ninth grades must have a physical exam preformed before they begin school in the fall. Updated immunizations are also required for Kindergarten and Ninth grade students. Dental examinations are required for all students entering Kindergarten, Second and Sixth grades. **REMEMBER:** Students who do not fulfill these requirements may be excluded from school until they are up-to-date.

### Preschool Requirements

Physical Exam  
Lead Screening  
Immunizations

### Fifth Grade Requirement:

Hepatitis B series if not already completed

### Kindergarten Requirements:

Physical Exam  
Lead Screening  
\*Dental Exam  
Immunizations  
Vision Exam

### Sixth Grade Requirements:

Physical Exam  
\*Dental Exam

### Second Grade Requirement:

\*Dental Exam

### Ninth Grade Requirements:

Physical Exam  
Tdap Booster

### \*Dental Examination Requirement for Incoming Kindergarten, Second & Sixth Grade

The dental exam requirement is a result of a change in the Illinois School code. The deadline for compliance is May 15, 2010. We will be working with the Mercer County Health Department and the "ToothMobile" to help meet this requirement for those students needing an exam in the upcoming school year. A dental exam form will be sent home the last week of school for all students who will need an exam. If you visit your dentist over the summer, please have them fill out the form and return it at registration.

## TITLE 1 PROGRAM

The Title 1 program in the Mercer County School District is funded under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Title 1 of this act provides financial assistance to local school districts to provide services which help at-risk children achieve the high standards expected of all children.

The main goal of the program is to provide a wide range of assistance so that students can achieve the high standards expected of all students. Characteristics of the Mercer County Title 1 programs are:

1. The instruction is supplemental to the regular instruction taking place in the classroom.
2. In class as well as after class assistance is provided.
3. Through diagnosis and teaching, we endeavor to discover and overcome the special and particular needs of each student.
4. The Title 1 program is correlated to the student's classroom program.
5. The Title 1 teachers keep in close touch with the classroom teachers to find out what the Title 1 student's immediate needs are.

All parents and community members are encouraged to offer suggestions for next year's elementary Title 1 programs. If you have any questions or suggestions concerning the Title 1 program, please contact principal Nancy Robinson at 309-587-8141.

**PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW:** In accordance with the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), the Mercer County School District is required to notify parents of each student attending a Title 1 school that they may request information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's teacher(s) and paraprofessional staff. NCLB allows parents to ask for the following information about their child's classroom teacher(s): (1) whether the teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction; (2) whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status, through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; (3) the bachelor's degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher and the field of discipline or the certification or degree; and, (4) whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and if so, their qualification. Please contact the principal's office in writing if you require this information.

## APOLLO PTO

The Apollo PTO would like to thank all Apollo staff and families for their tremendous support this past year and wish you a safe and happy summer! Your continued support of the organization will certainly be appreciated in the upcoming school year. PTO is looking for volunteers to give their time, talents, and energy by becoming a member, an officer, or volunteering to head a committee next year. Ideas are needed from Apollo families as it is imperative that more representation be included. If you are interested in becoming involved in this enthusiastic organization, please send your name and phone number to the Apollo school office in a note addressed to Apollo PTO. The PTO hopes to see you next school year as they continue to support the administration, teachers, and students. Come and join them to help make a difference in the lives of the children!

The PTO will be collecting Swiss Valley milk caps, box tops, and Our Family labels. Look for the August Market Day order flyers at school registration. Thank you.