

Trailblazer Happenings

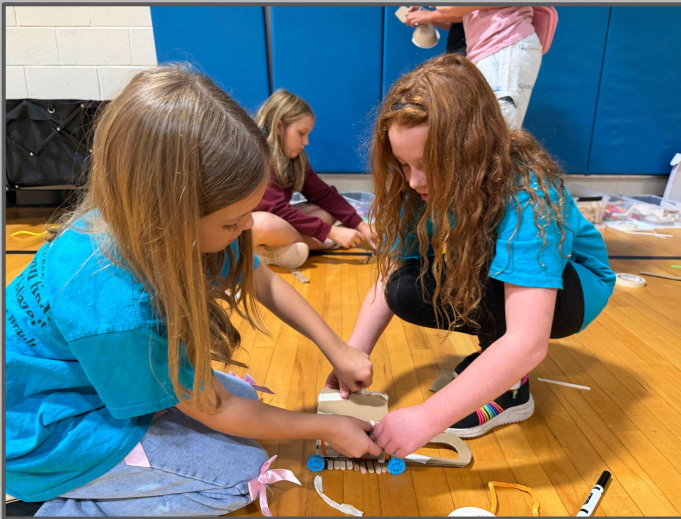
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Date of Issue: Monday, October 5, 2026



The MDCS STEM-E Club attended the Fall STEM-E Conference at SCC last week. The conference, hosted by WRESA (the Western Region Education Service Alliance), provided students the opportunity to interact with professionals from a variety of fields like Biology, Engineering, and Meteorology. Students created chariots and raced them using robots powered by codes they created, built barometers and measured the atmospheric pressure, and gowned-up to understand what it's like to work in a sterile environment. The students had a great time! Thank you WRESA and SCC for making this possible! Also, a big thank you to our MDCS alums (and current JCEC students) Skyler Crisp and Olivia Doughty for volunteering their time and guiding us through the events!



We are CREW, not passengers!

Dates to Remember	** Students MUST wear field trip shirt
Tuesday, October 6th	6th to Purchase Knob**
Tuesday, October 6th	JAM Begins (Intermediate players)
Wednesday, October 7th	JAM Begins (Beginner players)
Thursday, October 8th	Volleyball scrimmage @ MDCS gym 4pm
Thursday, October 8th	MDCS Board Meeting, 5:30pm MDCS Campus and Google Meets
Friday, October 9th	8th to Deep Creek, Bryson Senior Center, and Bryson Senior Living**
Friday, October 9th	NO AFTERCARE!
October 12 - 16	MDCS Fall Break
Tuesday, October 20th	7th Grade to Purchase Knob**
Wednesday, October 21	FUND RUN
October 26 - 30	Spirit Week
Monday, October 26	Bake Sale ~ Supports MDCS Cheer Team
Tuesday, October 27	8th Grade to Spruce Fir Nature Trail**
Wednesday, October 28	Ms. Lendy's Class to Macon TRACS , Franklin**
Wednesday, October 28	Kindergarten to Eliada Farm**
Thursday, October 29	MDCS Olympics

FAMILIES! There will be NO AFTERCARE, Friday, October 9th



FUND RUN

Wednesday, October 21st!

Students, you still have time to gather your pledges and earn money for your classroom!

This Thursday!

Come cheer for the MDCS Volleyball team as they host Bethel at the MDCS gym @ 4:00pm!

MDCS Board Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 8th

Time: 5:30pm

Location: MDCS Campus, Middle School science classroom

Agenda:

- Strategic Planning Committee
- Paid Parental Leave
- Financial Quarterly Update

Coffee Fundraiser ~ Stay tuned for details about an upcoming coffee fundraiser Wednesday, October 21st! If you'd like to volunteer please contact us at volunteer@mountaindiscovery.org



Please consider joining the MDCS Strategic Planning Committee!

MDCS is forming a new strategic planning Committee and we need your support. The strategic plan outlines the school's mission and vision for the next 5-10 years and the goals, steps, and timeline to get us there.

We need 8-12 members including staff, parents, and community with needs in construction/facilities planning, fundraising, communication/PR, long-term development, and more. The committee will meet twice a month; days and times to be determined. If you or someone you know may be interested in being on the committee, please fill out the interest form linked here: <https://forms.gle/zDtt6kwnu7zCaou16>

Please reach out to Tracy at twharton@mountaindiscovery.org if you have any questions.

Miss Brook's Weekly Health and Physical Challenges

Ball Challenge

Use your creativity to create a challenge for your family using a ball. Most Catches? Who can throw the highest? Farthest? Dribbling skillscourse? Kick it the farthest? The sky is the limit be creative

Colorful food

Can you eat a food of each color? Which color food do you eat most often?



Thank you to all of our banner sponsors for your generous donations. We were able to purchase a referee stand for the MDCS gym. Now we can host volleyball games at home!

JAM **Junior Appalachian Musicians** **Of Swain County** **Open to all 3rd - 8th graders**

Tuesday, October 6th ~
Intermediate Guitar Begins
Wednesday, October 7th ~
Beginning Guitar Begins

Drive-Thru Flu Clinics

IN OCTOBER 2026

COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

THURS 01	THURS 08	THURS 15
THURS 22	THURS 29	

538 Scotts Creek Rd., Sylva, NC 28779
2:00pm-6:00pm

For more information: 828-586-8994

Please Remember to Bring your Insurance Card
*No Cost Flu Vaccine Available for Uninsured

Flu Outreach Clinics

IN OCTOBER 2026

TUES 06	BRIDGE PARK 76 Railroad Ave, Sylva, NC 28779 2:00pm-6:00pm
TUES 13	QUALLA FIRE DEPARTMENT 147 Shoal Creek Church Loop, Whitler, NC 2:00pm-6:00pm
TUES 20	SAVANNAH FIRE DEPARTMENT 10 Kiplin Tatum Rd, Sylva, NC 2:00pm-6:00pm
TUES 27	LITTLE CANADA FIRE DEPARTMENT 149 Charley Creek Road, Tuckasee, NC 2:00pm-6:00pm

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Spirit Week **October 26-30**

Mix Match Monday ~ What's the craziest combination you can create?

Hat Day ~ Silly hat! Favorite hat!

Trailblazer Day ~ Wear your field trip shirt! What does being a Trailblazer look like to you?

Team Thursday ~ Which team is your favorite?

Costume Day ~ Remember, no masks, no weapons, and no scary costumes!