



RSU 9 News

May 26, 2023



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Working together to provide high-quality educational opportunities for all

A message from Superintendent Elkington

As we move into the long weekend let's not forget why we have Memorial Day. It was started to honor those who died in the Civil War. It has become a day to honor all American Veterans who gave their lives in sacrifice of democracy and our nation. This sacrifice allows our students to grow up free and pursue their dreams!

RSU 9 Musicians Excel!

This year 20 middle and high school band and chorus students represented Mt. Blue at the Kennebec Valley Music Festival at Lawrence HS. This was a 2-day festival and students were chosen through an audition practice after having and prepared their music months ahead of time with either Mr. Wright or Mr. Hickey. The festival is for Middle School Band, High School Band, Middle School Chorus and High School Chorus. This was a chance for the top musicians in our schools to work with the best musicians from all KV district schools and with top notch conductors.



The District 4 music festival is very similar to KVMF except it is for grades 5 and 6 and it is by teacher nomination, not audition. Over 30 students from our district were accepted into the festival. It was a one-day festival in Jay held on Wednesday, April 5th.

MBHS Orchestra Student Performs in the Maine All State Orchestra



Maya Kellett, member of the MBHS orchestra, performed in the Maine All State Orchestra at the Collins Center for the Arts, University of Maine, Orono on Saturday, May 20, under the direction of Dr. Robert Lehmann, director of the

Downloadable Calendars for 2022-23

- [2022/23 District School Calendar](#)
- [2022/23 - Blue/Gold Calendar](#) (MBHS/Foster Tech)
- [2023/2024 District School Calendar](#)

Important Dates Coming Up!

JUNE 13 – BUDGET REFERENDUM

See polling hours by town below.

LAST LATE ARRIVAL WEDNESDAY June 7, 2023

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION June 11, 2023, 10 AM Mt. Blue Campus [2023 Senior Calendar](#)

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL June 16, 2023 *Half day of school for all students and staff!*

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orchestra program at the University of Southern Maine's Osher School of Music.

The All-State Music Festival, organized by the Maine Music Educators Association, is held annually. Students participate in state-wide auditions in the fall and then those selected to participate receive the music to be performed in advance. Prior to the Saturday concert, the students gather on Thursday and Friday to rehearse all day (approx. 7 hours each day).



Maya is a member of the MBHS orchestra and Franklin County Fiddlers under the direction of Steve Muise. Maya also studies cello outside of school with Amy LeBlanc. Maya also participated in the Kennebec Valley Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Mid Maine Youth Orchestra programs this year. Maya is an excellent academic student and athlete and is also the president of MBHS Chapter of the Tri-M music honors society.

Bus Driver Rodeo!

On April 21st RSU9 school bus drivers participated in the 2023 Regional Conference driving skills (Bus Rodeo) competition sponsored by the Maine Association of Pupil Transportation held at Mt. Blue Campus. Team RSU9 drivers won 1st place in the overall Team Driving Skills competition. In the individual events, Mike Broadway won 1st place and Nancy Richardson 2nd place in the transit bus division and Matt DeBaets won 2nd place in the conventional bus division. Congratulations to all of our drivers!



June 13, 2023 Referendum Voting Hours

Chesterville	2:00pm – 8:00pm	Town Office 409 Dutch Gap Road
Farmington	7:00am – 8:00pm	Community Center 127 Middle Street
Industry	12:00pm – 7:00pm	Town Hall 1033 Industry Road
New Sharon	12:00pm – 7:00pm	Town Office 11 School Lane
New Vineyard	3:00pm – 7:00pm	Community Hall 20 Lake Street
Starks	12:00pm – 8:00pm	Community Center 57 Anson Road
Temple	12:00pm – 8:00pm	Town Hall 258 Temple Road
Vienna	2:00pm – 8:00pm	Community Room 16 Kimball Pond Road
Weld	4:00pm – 8:00pm	Town Office-Multi- Purpose Rm 23 Mill Street
Wilton	8:00am – 8:00pm	Town Office 158 Weld Road

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