

Madison County Government Newsletter



Madison County Schools Receive Preliminary Accountability Results for 2021-2022

- Madison County Schools' 4-year cohort graduation rate is #1 in North Carolina- >95%
- Madison County Schools' rank 13 out of 115 North Carolina School districts in Math and Reading scores.
- All Madison County Schools are 9 points above the state average in grade level proficiency at all levels.
- Madison County Schools has no low performing schools under the North Carolina accountability model.

Congratulations to Madison County Schools on their excellent work!



Get Ready for 2023 Open Enrollment!!!

Open Enrollment for 2023 has been scheduled! Open Enrollment will take place from October 31st - November 4th.

Employees will be required to meet with a benefit enrollment specialist due to some changes in our benefits.

On Monday, October 31, 2022, employees will have the opportunity to attend Benefit Overview Meetings. Sign-up sheets will be sent to Department Directors for employees to sign-up.

Individual one-on-one employee benefit consultations will be held in the days following the Benefit Overview meetings. Human Resources will be contacting Department Directors to schedule employees for their meetings.

The Madison County Fair is Back!

The Madison County Fairgrounds will be hosting the Madison County Fair on September 23rd and 24th. Be sure to stop by and check out it out!



Get to know our 911 Telecommunicators!

Madison County Emergency Services is located in the Madison County Sheriff's Office building. We are the public safety answering point (PSAP) for Madison County. We answer calls and dispatch 24/7/365 for four law enforcement agencies, nine fire departments, NC Forestry, EMS, Emergency Management and Fire Marshal in Madison County. We also are the after-hours contact for many other agencies such as Animal Control, DSS, DOT, and the magistrates. We manage the VHF public safety radio network, which is part major communications improvement project that is underway. Each year, telecommunicators answer about 10,000 911 calls and about 70,000 administrative line calls. This results in about 16,000 calls for service every year. Through the Emergency Management and Fire Marshal office, we also work in hazard mitigation projects, emergency operations center activations, building inspections, and search & rescue operations. There are many other responsibilities in this office, but the one thing to remember is: we are always here to help.

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Madison County Health Department Playground has been Relocated!

The Madison County Health Department Playground is now located behind the Health Department. An announcement will be made when the Playground is open to the Public!



Madison County Public Libraries Participated in the Association of Small and Rural Libraries Conference

Three staff members from the Madison County Public Libraries - Director Kim Bellofatto, Mars Hill Branch Manager Shawna Bryce, and Children's Coordinator Caroline Blevins - had the opportunity to present a program, Connect 4: Essential Partnerships for Small and Rural Libraries, to a standing room only crowd of nearly 200 fellow librarians at the Association of Small and Rural Libraries conference in Chattanooga.

As the saying goes, "Many hands make light work," and that is especially the case in the world of small, rural libraries. Whether it's building new partnerships or strengthening existing ones, our library system is reinforcing our role in the community by connecting to four essential groups of organizations with a shared vision for supporting our community: (1) schools, (2) other county educational entities, (3) county services and departments, and (4) other non-profits and community groups.

Within the program, they shared the many ways that the library system has formed mutually beneficial partnerships with a wide variety of groups throughout the county in support of the library's vision to "be the welcoming heart of our community where everyone can come to learn, discover, create, and connect."

