



**Director Report**  
**October 2020**  
**“Relate. Connect. Understand”**

**Micro Moment:**

*When figuring out how to adapt Micro in order to follow the covid protocols, MACS staff have leaned on a time-honored MicroSociety Maxim: "Ask the Kids." Students continue to look at the bright side by leveraging their collective problem-solving skills to continue moving forward while they wait for the return of micro as they previously knew it. When a few students realized that peacekeepers might not be able to patrol the halls this year, they vocalized a desire to keep peacekeepers by hiring one for each class. Staff will be asking for their thoughts and feedback as they consider this proposal. Additionally, the 5th grade class has been actively weighing in about how to help increase the social-emotional well-being of students. They are in the process of brainstorming a venture that prioritizes mindfulness based on the perceived needs of their peers. These collective Micro moments have been motivating staff to remain flexible, receptive to student feedback, and open to change.*

**Enrollment Numbers (as of 10/12/21):**

K - 36	5th - 25
1st - 30	6th- 17
2nd- 32	7th- 10
3rd - 43	8th- 10
4th - 48	

Total : 251

(pending residency of 2 more- predict 254 by Nov 1)

**Upcoming/Recent Happenings at MACS:**

**State Testing Results**

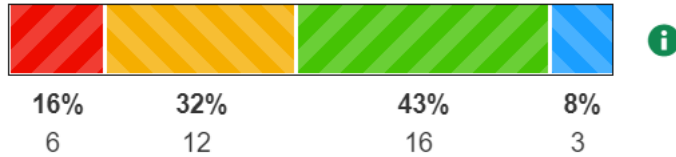
Each year, students in grades 3 through 8 participate in the New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS). Despite the pandemic, testing occurred for students who were in person or who agreed to come in. We had many more students opt out than ever before due to parents not wanting to expose students to others by coming into the building. This assessment data helps drive school goals and will give classroom teachers more information on what was lost academically, if anything, during our time of remote and hybrid learning. The results will also provide their teachers with information that will help drive instructional planning.

The results of the Spring 2020-21 NHSAS Assessments as follows:

### **SAS Summative Science**

Grades Tested: 5, 8

Tests Taken: 37    Date Last Taken: 05/27/2021



### **51% proficient or above whole school score**

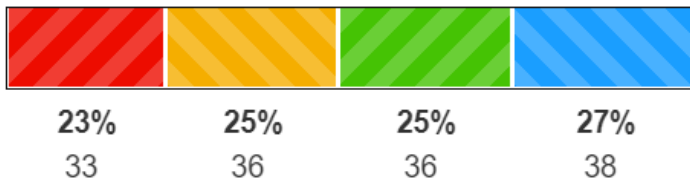
62% of 5th grade students were proficient or above

38% of 8th grade students were proficient or above

### **SAS Summative Mathematics**

Grades Tested: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Tests Taken: 143    Date Last Taken: 05/25/2021



### **52% proficient or above whole school score**

65% of 3rd grade students were proficient or above

65% of 4th grade students were proficient or above

46% of 5th grade students were proficient or above

42% of 6th grade students were proficient or above

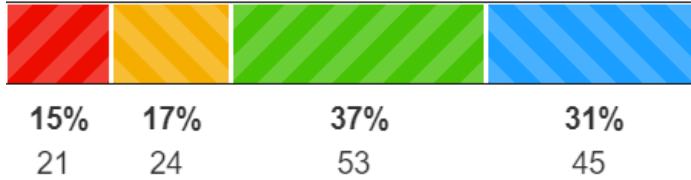
40% of 7th grade students were proficient or above

33% of 8th grade students were proficient or above

## **SAS Summative ELA**

Grades Tested: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Tests Taken: 143      Date Last Taken: 05/19/2021



### **68% proficient or above whole school score**

59% of 3rd grade students were proficient or above  
74% of 4th grade students were proficient or above  
92% of 5th grade students were proficient or above  
62% of 6th grade students were proficient or above  
54% of 7th grade students were proficient or above  
73% of 8th grade students were proficient or above

Staff will now work on school wide and individual goals based on the beginning of the year data assessments using both state and school wide assessments.

### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

This month teachers will be sending out electronic sign ups for the week of **November 15th-23rd** for parent teacher conferences. Staff wanted more time to give students access to 5 day a week full instruction so they could accurately assess student progress before meeting with parents. We know many students' progress was impacted due to the pandemic and change in instructional delivery last year. With solid, regular good instruction and intervention, we hope to see improvements in overall school performance as the year progresses.

The Annual School Walk A Thon was a huge hit! We bright in just over \$2500 in fundraising dollars! Thank you to all who donated, volunteered and supported our students!

### **MicroSociety Update:**

Campaigning 101 has been in full swing and elections were held. Congratulations to all our students who ran for an elective office. Your hard work was obvious! Newly elected officers held their Inauguration Day and were sworn in by Mayor Donchess! Congratulations to our new MicroCity President, Brooke Koskela!

Enjoy President Brooke's first Virtual Town Hall Meeting!

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HoKINQsrVKRXuMF1zkX2GJDdes7IshYT/view?ts=615efcc6>

(only members with MACS accounts can view- including students and board members)

Management 101 academy classes have begun and students are writing business proposals. Classes will be brainstorming business ideas. We can not wait to see where their creativity leads.

**PTO Update:**

Fall Festival:

On Friday, October 22nd, classes will take turns going outside during school hours to participate in the PTO Fall Festival Fundraiser. Families are able to pre-order game tickets, mystery prize bags, and fall DIY bracelet kits. We will also be raffling off fall themed baskets and having a school-wide scarecrow contest in which each class will build a scarecrow! In true MicroSociety fashion, scarecrows will be career/profession themed (Chef, Doctor, Firefighter, etc.).

Book Fair:

The Scholastic Book Fair will be set up in the Special Room beginning on Monday, October 18th. Students will preview the book fair and write a "wishlist" on that day. Later in the week, each class will have the opportunity to go back to the Book Fair and make their purchases.

All PTO Leadership Roles have been filled. The next PTO meeting will be Friday, October 15th at 12:30pm via zoom.

The annual Meadowbrook Farms fundraiser is still happening virtually in November to support the middle school Washington DC trip in 2022. Stay tuned for more information.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Bottomley, Director