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This Week

Oct. 25- 1/2 Day for Students

Key Dates

From the Principal's Desk...

Hi All,

Measuring student growth on our school-wide learning expectations is a mandate from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) that has been "in the works" at MHS over the last few years. NEASC is the organization which issues our accreditation, and accreditation is factored heavily into college admissions.

This year, the MHS staff will begin using <u>school-wide rubrics</u> (click to view) regularly in the classroom to measure student growth toward our school-wide learning expectations.

The formal use of these rubrics, and the data collection and reporting out process which will follow are significant steps forward for MHS toward meeting the benchmarks set out for us by NEASC. Most importantly, the use of school-wide rubrics provides students opportunities to reflect on their own learning.

I invite you to follow along in reading a 4-part series sent out through this newsletter in the coming weeks that fully addresses the purpose of measuring student growth, the role of NEASC and accreditation, how rubrics are used in the classroom, and how student growth will be measured and reported out at MHS.

I want you to be able to support and engage with your child at home in their learning. Also, I want you to be able to provide targeted feedback to us as we collectively and continually refine and strive to achieve our vision of the MHS Graduate.

Thanks for reading, and have a great week!

Sincerely, Mary Watkins

Visual Arts

The Art Club has been working diligently to bring MHS artistic and inspiring works of art throughout the building. Teams of students first create draft sketches on grid paper. Then, using colorful painters tape (for clean and easy removal), create their designs on bare walls that could use some "dressing up."

Nov. 2- Grade 8 Opportunities Night

Nov. 8- World Language Honor Society Induction; ELA MCAS makeup exam

Nov. 9- End of Q1; ELA MCAS makeup exam

Nov. 10- No School

Nov. 11- Veterans Day

Link to MHS Calendar



For The daily school announcements- visit the MHS main page website



<u>Link to all MHS Sports</u> <u>Schedules/Games</u>

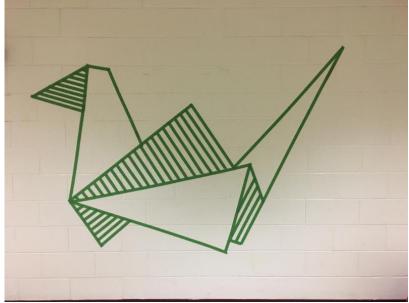
Quick Links...
MHS Website
MPS Website
The Hornet Buzz
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Join Our Mailing List!

For any interested students Art Club is open to everyone and meets on Mondays after school.

Thank you, MHS Art Club, for making our school more beautiful!





Promoting Healthy Relationships at MHS and Preventing Dating Violence

In early October, 2 MPS staff members and 17 MHS juniors and seniors attended Game Change training provided by Northeastern University. The training focused on Dating Violence Prevention and education surrounding Healthy Relationships. Topics covered included: defining respect, knowing your rights, gender and the media, and how to help out. Moving forward this core group of students and their advisors will be looking to begin conversations and organize events to bring the Game Change message to all MHS students.

Check out this tweet from **Game Change** training! And this **one**!

Guidance Department



Attention Parents of 8th Grade Students: We will conduct our annual 8th Grade Opportunities Night at MHS on Thursday, November 2 beginning at 6:30PM.

Guidance

This night will allow parents and students from the class of 2022 to visit the school and gather

information about MHS's academic structure, programs and student activities.

The program will begin in the auditorium where staff and student representatives will give an overview of the opportunities for prospective MHS students.

Afterward, those in attendance will be encouraged to walk around the school to visit various classrooms where the academic department chairs will be available to answer any questions related to their departments.

Finally, representatives from a number of clubs and activities will be available in the cafeteria to provide information and answer questions. We hope to see you there!

Support the Class of 2018 and Senior Year Activities!

The class of 2018 is hosting a Greeting Card Fundraiser with Give Back Greetings. The program is run online and allows you to order personalized greeting cards (with photos) for holidays, thank you notes, announcements, invitations and more! Additionally, Give Back Greetings is currently running a promotion just for MHS! Use code MHS to save 45% on your order before December 5, 2017. The Class of 2018 will receive 10% from all sales made through the website. Any money raised will support this year's senior activities and class gift. Give Back Greetings is also running a contest call The Chromebook Challenge where the school with the most sales could win 25 HP Chromebook Laptops or a number of smaller cash prizes!

To create and order your personalized greeting card, use the following link:

http://MansfieldHighClassof18.givebackgreetings.com/

Thank you all for your help and support of our newest fundraiser!

Administrative Items

Please assist us by reminding students to keep their personal belongings securely locked in their lockers. If individual students are struggling with locks and/or other passing time logistics, they should reach out to Mr. Tichacek, Mr. Fogel, or Ms. Lima.

Wellness

SBIRT - Screening Letter to Parents

Please click on the document link above to read an important letter from Superintendent Murphy and Principals Ryan and Watkins. The letter explains new, mandatory substance abuse screenings that will begin in late fall at the secondary schools.

Yearbook

Yearbooks are on Sale NOW!

Go to http://www.mansfieldhighschoolyearbook.com/buy-theyearbook.html to order your book online.

Books are \$73 but order before October 9th and get a \$10 discount! Go to Mansfieldhighschoolyearbook.com for all your 2018 Yearbook information including senior photos and profiles, buying the book, placing a business or family ad and more.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

CSF Holiday Window Painting

CSF Holiday Window Painting is a long-standing tradition that brings holiday cheer to the Mansfield community and helps raise money for student scholarships. Students work in small groups of two, three, or four to paint festive holiday scenes in the windows of our local businesses. Deadline to sign up is November 3rd. The painting will take place over the Thanksgiving break. Forms are available in the main office at the high school.

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