

A weekly principal's blog to share what is happening at Mundelein High School!

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Friday, January 13, 2023

Mustang News: Principal's Blog

Mustang Families,

As we begin second semester, we are asking parents to partner with us in communicating the following priorities from home. Our <u>MHS Portrait of a Learner</u> tenets affirm student identity through schoolwide values, expectations and practices. We also want to encourage good attendance and reiterate the importance of adhering to our student dress code policy as found in our <u>student handbook</u>. Although we take great pride in a dress code that encourage self-expression, we do want to remind students of the following:

- Clothing <u>must</u> cover all undergarments (waistbands and straps excluded).
- Fabric covering all private parts must <u>not</u> be seen through.
- Clothing that depicts, advertises or advocates the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances **is prohibited.**

• Clothing that depicts pornography, nudity or sexual acts is prohibited.

Finally, as we enter a three-day weekend, I hope we take a moment to remember the wise words of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



We are now faced with the fact that tomorrow is today. We are confronted w the fierce urgency of now. In this unfoldi conundrum of life and history, there "is such a thing as being too late. This is n time for apathy or complacency. This is time for vigorous and postive action.

— Martin Luther King —

Go Mustangs!



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Important Dates

- Monday, Jan. 16-MLK Jr. Day-No classes
- Thursday, Jan 19- Class of 2027 Night

- Sunday, Jan 22- Lunar New Year
- Friday, Jan 27- Late Start; Classes begin at 9:40am

No School on Monday



Class of 2027 Night Thursday, January 19, 2023 6:00 PM - 09:00 PM



Dear Future Mustangs Students and Families,

Our upcoming Class of 2027 Night is on Thursday, January 19th, 2023 at Mundelein High School for all incoming ninth graders and their families.

The program will include an overview of our academic programs, course placements, information on the day-in-the-life of a ninth grader, and extracurricular opportunities at MHS.

Incoming ninth graders will meet with high school students to learn more about what they will experience as they transition to MHS. Topics such as classes, activities, athletics, and special events will be discussed.

Students will also have an opportunity to ask questions about the transition to high school. Following the presentations, we will host our Activities/Athletics Fair, where sponsors, coaches, and students will be available to speak about their respective clubs or sports, answer questions, and enlist future members. In addition, department chairs and other administrators will be available to answer any questions you may have about the transition to high school.

We ask that parents/guardians and **students with last names A-L arrive at the MHS auditorium by 6:00 PM for a 45-minute presentation.** Parents/guardians and students with last names **M-Z should attend the 7:15 PM** session in the auditorium.

The presentation will be offered in Spanish in the cafeteria during both sessions. Spanish-speaking families can also use translation headphones for the presentation in the auditorium.

All parking lots at Mundelein High School will be open to the public on January 19th. We will run shuttles from parking lots further from the main entrance. For more information about the transition to MHS, please visit the <u>D120 web page</u> under "Incoming 9th Grade Parents".

Lunar New Year Sunday, January 22 In many parts of the world, New Year's Day is observed on January 1, which is the first day of the year according to the modern Gregorian calendar. However, for countries that use a lunisolar calendar, the new year typically falls a few weeks later, and in 2023, January 22 marks the beginning of the Lunar New Year. Americans typically refer to the 15-day celebration as Chinese New Year, but the festival is actually called Lunar New Year celebrated by several Asian nations — including South Korea, Vietnam, and Singapore. Lunar New Year traditions vary from country to country. If you'd like to learn more, click <u>here</u> for a variety of educational resources.



Student Recognition

MHS seniors take first and second place at district level American Legion Oratorical Contest.



Elizabeth Hernandez, her daughter Jessica Caballero and Alicia Brak at the American Legion Oratorical Contest district competition in December, 2022

Two MHS seniors are on their way to division-level competition for the American Legion Oratorical Contest, placing first and second at the district level. Alicia Brak and Jessica Caballero earned first and second place at the December 3rd contest and were awarded \$300 and \$150, respectively. The students will now compete on January 15, 2023, at the division competition at Cantigny Park in Wheaton. If successful, they'll head to State in early February.

Lake County

Campus

TECH CAMPUS STUDENT OF QUARTER - SECOND QUAR

Skylar Brown - Fire Fighting Fatima Navarro - Cosmo II Pheona Phillips - Auto Service I Abigail Atkinson - Biomedical Scienc Jacob Blowers - Welding/Fabrication Blanca Lazar - Early Education & Teach Jovany Marquez - Computer Support Ser Kayla Jorge - Certified Nurse Assistir

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Thank you for your interest in visiting Mundelein High School! We are proud to host visitors to learn more about our programming and facilities. In order to minimize the impact on the educational environment, we have chosen to host visitors on select days through the school year.

Therefore, to secure a visitation time, please fill out our online form so we are able to provide the necessary information and personnel during your visit to MHS. Click on the image below for the list of tour dates available January - May.



Pathways



Save the date for Maker Faire Lake County

April 15, 2023 College of Lake County

You are invited to build new skills, showcase projects and make connections. There are a variety of ways to get involved with the Greatest Show & Tell event in Lake County.

Sign up to be a Maker

Maker Faire Lake County is a great place to showcase the projects you or your students are creating. Think about those amazing builds happening in PLTW, Entrepreneurship focused classes, as well as robotics or other after school clubs. Looking for inspiration, sneak a peek at the Makers from 2022. The application opens Feb 1, 2023.

Participate in the Robotics Competition

High school students may participate as part of a school team, on a team formed independently, or by signing up for the Lake County Robotics Competition Engage class. The Engage CLRC class will meet on Saturdays live in person at the Grayslake Campus AND Lakeshore Campus in Waukegan: 9AM-Noon in February, March, and April. To register for the LCRC Explore class: Engage Registration The competition will be held during the Maker Faire. Interested in learning more? Attend the kickoff on Jan. 28th at 10am in room T114 at the College of Lake County campus.

Younger students interested in robotics may register for CLC's 4H Robotics Spin clubs, which will also meet on the same day (Saturdays) from February to March. Explore Program The 4H Robotics teams will participate in the 4H Robotics Showcase at CLC on April 22nd. Participants will also be invited and encouraged to demonstrate their robots at Maker Faire Lake County,

Volunteer to host a booth

Not quite sure what your project could be, but you still want to get involved? Or maybe you are looking for a way to earn community service hours. We are in need of volunteers to host a booth where we provide the activity and the training. Or maybe you are more comfortable with setup and providing general assistance. You provide the energy and we will provide the fun. Sign up to volunteer.

What will YOU make in 2023?

Summer School 2023

As we approach the cold winter season, it is time to start thinking about Summer School!

Important: For those who have had students in MHS summer school before, our registration procedure has changed. Students will now register for their desired summer school class **during course registration with their counselor.** Families will be billed through RevTrack at a later date. Please visit our summer school course guide (linked below) for more information.

Students should print and fill out the "Summer School Course Selection" page and bring it to their course selection appointment. Printed copies are available in the Guidance Office.

Summer School Course Guide - English Summer School Course Guide - Spanish Summer School Course Selection

2023-2024 Course Selection

Course selection for the 2023-2024 school year will begin on Monday, November 28th with our grade 11 students. Students in grades 10 and 9 will select courses after the winter break. The following resources are available to our families to assist with the course selection process.

MHS Course Guide

Course Preference Sheet

Tech Campus Program Guide

4-year planning document

CCRC



Juniors and Seniors!

Stop by the CCRC during your lunch to learn how to search for scholarships!



The John W. Lynn



\$1,000.00 Scholarship To One Mundelein High School Student Pursuing An Education In The Performing Arts

Completed Applications Due: January 20th, 2023

Scholarship Applications Available Online at www.kirkplayers.org

Complete and Email To info@kirkplayers.org Eligibility Limited To MHS Students

For more information, email us at <u>info@kirkplayers.org</u> visit our web site at: <u>www.kirkplayers.org</u>

This scholarship is due next Friday, January 20th!

Athletics

Girls Bowling Coaches Corner

Girls bowling is having a phenomenal season. We competed against Lake Zurich on Wednesday to begin the second half of our season to bring our record to 10-0. It will be a busy three weeks as we prepare for JV and Varsity conference and try to hold onto the #1 spot.

Wrestling Coaches Corner

Over winter break the Mundelein Wrestling Team has been continuing to grind with 3 hour practices in the morning. Even though the schedule was light the team did find time to get a dual meet in with Warren and some Tournament with the under level. The Varsity fell short to Warren but gave them a good go bringing the Mustang's Record to 11-5 of the season.

The JV had a busy schedule wrestling Warren and some Tournaments. Most wrestlers had 2-3 matches with Warren since they had such a large team. The JV had 5 undefeated wrestlers which include: 120 Cernas 13-10, 126 Krusinski 20-8, 138 A. Konewko 18-2, 170 W. Nieves 11-5, and 182 Coe 10-11 of the season.

The JV Wrestlers had a Libertyville Tournament with a very light JV Team. Winners include: 120 Cernas 2-2, 138 Van De Motor 2-2, 170 O'Campo 4-1 placing 5th, and Cabrera 3-1 placing 3rd.

The following week the Frosh/Soph had a Libertyville Tournament and hung in with some very competitive teams. The Mustangs had 8 placers out of 11 wrestlers. The place winners include: 120 Cernas 3-1 2nd place, 126 Martinez 3-1 3rd place, 132 Krusinski 3-0 1st place, 152 D. Hernandez 3-1 3rd place, 152 Molina 2-2 6th place, 170 Kofman 3-1 5th place, 182 W. Nieves 3-1 5th place, and Cabrera 3-1 3rd place.

This Friday January 13th we will be hosting a dual meet with Libertyville in the Main Gym Sr. Night. Hope to have a big showing to support our Seniors and our Wrestlers.



Varsity Wrestlers Cheering on the Bench



Axel Warzecha, Ashley Alvarado, and Val Victoria

Girls: Boys Swim/Dive Coaches Corner

This weekend our Varsity team competed and placed 2nd overall at the Vernon Hills Invite. The three divers, Baris Brua, Joey Kafka, and Johnny Anno took first in each of their divisions. Swim award winners included Cameron Wiklund, David Tatevosian, Alec Sethna, Matt Willis, and Edwin Serrano. The team competes this weekend at the Highland Park Invite.



Girls Basketball Coaches Corner

Girls basketball program attended a Chicago Bulls game this past week. Great seats and a great win by the Bulls



Boys Basketball Coaches Corner

I (Coach Badgley) was fortunate to coach them, as these 2 teammates won about 87% of their games together in H.S. Enjoyed watching them as opponents tonight living their dreams. MHS alum Scottie Ebube (SIU) and Conner Enright (Drake)



Boys Varsity bowling at Conference meet



The Foundation



The MHS Foundation is seeking for board members and volunteers. We are looking for parents, alumni and community members who are able to share a little of their time and talents making a difference in the MHS community. The Foundation supports the whole school community including classrooms, programs, afterschool activities, athletics, arts, music, to name a few. We would love to talk to you about joining MHS Foundation. Please call Jennifer at 847-987-7955 for more information.

Around MHS

CLC Spring Break Apprenticeship Awareness Program

Want to be paid to explore a career you may be interested in?

The College of Lake County is offering a Spring Break Apprenticeship Awareness Program! The program will be hosted on Zoom and held M-F, March 27 - 31 from

9:00 a.m. - Noon daily. Students currently enrolled in Lake County high schools are eligible to register.

Space will be limited to 35 students in each of the two sections. It will be a first-come, first-served acceptance process.

Please complete the fillable PDF forms to help us have an accurate record of their application.

Note: a parent or guardian must sign the application and photo release forms if the student is under 18 years of age. Students aged 18 and above may sign these forms by themselves.

- When submitting the forms to the email noted on the registration form, please do not send them as Google docs.
- Registration deadline is March 9, 2023, or sooner if the sections are filled.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Jerry Donahue jdonahue@clcillinois.edu or 847-543-3528.

CLC Spring Break Apprenticeship Awareness

Previous Reminders

Attendance

Regular school attendance is required and necessary to develop the academic and intrapersonal skills needed for success. Students are expected to attend each class and be on time. Students who attend school regularly have been shown to achieve at higher levels than students who do not have regular attendance. If your student is going to be absent from school, please call the Attendance Line 847-949-2200 ext. 1998 (Spanish) ext. 1999 (English) by 10:00 am.

Bus Notifications

Would you like to know when your student's bus is going to be late? For Mundelein bus routes, Lakeside Transportation is using the Bus Bulletin notification system to

notify parents and students when there are bus delays and schedule changes. For more information, or to sign-up and start receiving notifications, please visit: www.busbulletin.com/parents (*Find Mundelein Area Schools when prompted for a district*) *Note - This is managed by Lakeside Bus Company and not MHS.

Technology Use

Students will utilize technology to support their learning in class. Students are reminded to use their Chromebooks and cell phones appropriately at all times. For further information about technology use, please refer to the student handbook located on the District web page - <u>2022-2023 Student/Parent Handbook</u>

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