MHS CORE VALUES: EQUITY GROWTH COLLABORATION

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

For a copy of the blog in google drive- English here! Espanol aqui!

Friday, January 20, 2023

# **Mustang News: Principal's Blog**

Families,

It was a joy to celebrate and welcome our future Mustangs to our Class of 2027 night this year.



For a copy of the presentation, scan the QR codes or click on the links.

Class of 2027 Slide Deck English

Class of 2027 Slide Deck Spanish





Also, Lunar New Year, which is considered the most important holiday in many Asian countries, is coming up this Sunday! For those who will celebrate...

恭喜发财 Happy Lunar New Year





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# **Important Dates**

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

Ever wonder why teachers are don't always let you go to the bathroom?

**Friday Focus** →

# Lunar New Year Sunday, January 22

In many parts of the world, 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 <a href="here">here</a> for a variety of educational resources.



#### **Referendum Information**

See below if you would like to learn more information about our referendum, click here for a quick one pager or visit our Facilities Plan website.





# **Visit MHS**

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 28<sup>th</sup> 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**



This event is specifically meant for juniors or early graduates who will be beginning the college application process in the summer/fall of 2023. We will talk about resources available at MHS for our students and you will hear directly from a college representative who will provide tips and insight to the process!

# **Scholarships:**



The Cassie Meadors Joy of Life Scholarship
For those in pursuit of a
Veterinarian or Veterinarian Tech. Career
\$5,000.00 Scholarship

#### Requirements / Qualifications

All applicants for the Cassie Meadors Joy of Life Scholarship must:

- · Be a graduating member of the Mundelein High School class of 2023
- Accepted by an accredited four year college or university OR accepted into a college
  offering a Vet Tech Program (2 Year) to pursue a career in the Veterinarian field or
  Animal Conservation.
- · Complete the required application, provide the requested documents and essays.

#### Deadline

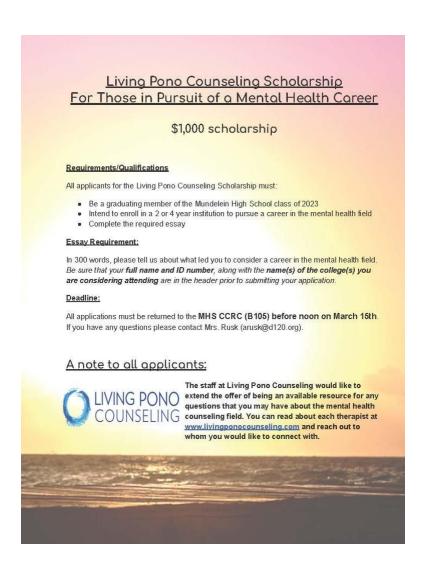
All applications must be returned to Cheri Selimos by March 1, 2023. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Rusk (arusk@d120.org)./

St. Matthew Lutheran Church Attn: Cheri Selimos, Sharing the Joy Ministry 24500 N. Old McHenry Rd Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047

\*\* Sharing the Joy Ministry will award the Cassie Meadors Joy of Life Scholarship to one graduating senior from each of the following high schools: Mundelein High School, Barrington High School, Wauconda High School, and Lake Zurich High School.

This scholarship is to remember Cassie Meadors and her unselfish love she gave to animals, family and friends. Cassie showed the Joy of adopting cats and volunteering at the local animal shelters. Cassie passed away at the young age of 14. She was not able to live her full life dream to help animals. This scholarship helps keep her dream alive.

Sharing the Joy Ministry of St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Hawthorn Woods, IL.



#### **Athletics**

### **Coaches Corner**

The Mundelein Mustangs Special Olympics basketball team are regional champions! The big win qualified the Mustangs for the state championship in March at ISU! Thanks to the MHS community for your support and congratulations to the Mustangs!





# **Girls Bowling Coaches Corner**

We competed against Waukegan on Friday, JV and Varsity taking all points, bringing our record to 11-0.

Then over the weekend, we took part in the Blue Devils Invite. Varsity took 2nd out of 8 teams with Samantha Sciortino earning 4th place. JV took 1st place with Paige Winters earning 1st place, Ana Kuznetsova earning 2nd place, and Rhiannon Ellis earning 6th place.

Way to go Mustangs!









Dance sportsmanship winner Emma Kisselburg w/ coach Arango



**Boys Basketball Coaches Corner** 

# **Wrestling Coaches Corner**

The Varsity had a rough go with Libertyville on Friday but came back on Saturday to win the Varsity Larkin Tournament.



The JV had a long week of wrestling with a Quad on Thursday, Libertyville on Friday, West Chicago Tournament on Saturday, and a Quad on Monday. We are improving as a team and individually. On Thursday the plan was to get as many matches at Stevenson High School where most wrestlers wrestled three matches. Friday the JV wrestled Libertyville and most wrestlers received a single match. Saturday the JV took 1st at the West Chicago Tournament by a landslide and on Monday most wrestlers wrestled three matches. The results are down below.



# Mundelein vs. Lake Zurich, Stevenson, and Waukegan

- **106 Alvarado (0-2):** lost to Stevenson, lost to Waukegan.
- 113 Peskuski (0-2): lost to Stevenson, lost to Stevenson.
- 120 Cernas (1-1): lost to Waukegan 5-1, pinned Lake Zurich.
- 126 Martinez (1-0): pinned Stevenson.
- 126 Krusinski (2-0): pinned Waukegan, pinned Stevenson.
- 132 Bahena (2-0): pinned Stevenson, beat Stevenson.
- **132 Moore** (1-1): pinned Lake Zurich, lost to Stevenson.
- **138 Heerdegen (0-2):** lost to Waukegan, lost to Stevenson.
- 138 Van De Motor (1-1): lost to Stevenson, beat Stevenson.
- 138. A. Konewko (0-2): lost to Stevenson, lost to Stevenson.
- 145 O. Hernandez (1-1): lost to Stevenson 9-6, pinned Stevenson.
- 145 Ramirez (2-0): pinned Stevenson, beat Lake Zurich.

- **145 Warzecha** (0-2): lost to Stevenson, lost to Stevenson.
- **145 Gashler (0-2):** lost to Stevenson, lost to Waukegan.
- **152 Estrada (0-2):** lost to Stevenson, lost to Waukegan.
- **152 D. Hernandez (0-1):** lost to Lake Zurich 4-3.
- **160 Flackus (0-1):** lost to Stevenson.
- 152 Molina (1-1): lost to Lake Zurich, pinned Stevenson.
- **170 Kofman (0-2):** lost to Stevenson, lost to Waukegan.
- **170 R. Konewko (0-1):** lost to Stevenson.
- 182 W. Nieves (1-0): beat Stevenson.
- **195 Coe** (**0-2**): Lake Zurich 10-8, lost to Stevenson.
- **220 Coleman:** lost to Waukegan lost to Waukegan.
- **HWT Cabrera:** beat Stevenson.

<u>Chicago West Tournament:</u> **1. Mundelein 172 2.** Naperville North 145 **3.** De LA Salle 144 **4.** Bartlett 131 **5.** Plainfield South 111 **6.** West Chicago 77 **7.** South Elgin 55 **8.** Meet Valley 38

- **106 Alvarado 4th:** Bye, lost to Garcia (WC), beat Spurgeon (BA), lost to Flores (PS).
- **120 Cernas 2nd: Bye,** lost to Cabrera (DLS), Bye.
- 126 Krusinski 1st: pinned Marscitz (NN), beat Principle (SE), beat Chou (PS).
- 132 Bahena 1st: pinned Ripke (PS), beat Arroyo (DLS), beat Moore (MUN).
- 132 Moore 2nd: beat Bachu (MV) 2-2 ot, beat Foos (WC), lost to Bahena (MUN).
- **138. A. Konewko 2nd:** beat Stubbefield (NN), beat Moreno (BA), lost to Chandok (MV).
- **145 O. Hernandez 2nd:** pinned Walker (NN), beat Lopez (WC), lost to Sroka (SE).
- 152 D. Hernandez: lost to Wasson (MV), lost to Hook (PS).
- 170 R. Konewko 3rd: lost to Gallian (WC), beat Patel (SE, beat Champion (NN).
- 182 W. Nieves 2nd: Bye, beat Pivots (DLS), lost to Vargas (BA).
- **195 Coe 2nd:** beat Pretzer (SE), beat Winbush (WC), lost to Baig (MV).

**220 Coleman:** lost to Jimenez (WC), lost to Howard (MV).

**HWT Cabrera:** beat Wellman (SE), lost to Holmes (DLS), lost to Kedziora (NN).

# **Lincoln-Way West Quad**

113 Peskuski (1-2): lost to Andrews pin, lost to Lincoln-Way West pin, pinned Lincolin-Way West.

120 Cernas (3-0): pinned Central J., pinned Cary Grove, pinned Addison Trail.

**126 Krusinski (3-0):** pinned Lincoln-Way West, pinned Central J., pinned Central J.

**138 A. Konewko (1-3):** lost to Andrews ot, pinned Central J., lost to Blue Devils 6-1, lost to Central J.

**145 Rameriz** (**1-3**): lost to Andrews 8-6, pinned Addison Trail, lost to Lincoln-Way West TF.

**170 R. Konewko (3-0):** pinned Lincoln-Way West, beat Central TF, beat Addison Trail 13-12.

170 W. Nieves (1-1): lost to Central pin, pinned Providence.

**182 Coe** (**4-0**): pinned Cary Grove, pinned Andrews, pinned Addison Trail, pinned Central.

**220 Coleman (0-2):** lost to Addison Trail pin, lost to Addison Trail 2-0.

On Saturday the JV team needed a 106 pounder for the Tournament so Alvarado took the spot and placed 4th in the Tournament. She helped the JV team win the Tournament.

The Girls went to Grayslake on Tuesday and had two to three matches. Winners include:

Khole Heerdegen, Axel Warzecha, and Yanneth Estrada.



# **Boys Bowling Coaches Corner**

Varsity bowl advances through the regional. We advanced through with a 6008 six games series and overcame a 27 pin deficit in the sixth game beating Vernon Hills by 83 pins in a head to head match.



# **Boys' Basketball Coaches Corner**

The boys varsity finished the Lakes MLK tournament on Monday with a convincing 64-44 win over Naperville Central. This allowed the team to finish 2-1 in the tournament with their only loss to Glenbrook North (first round was played on Nov. 30) who is currently ranked top 5 in the state.

The boys have really been playing well over their past 9 games going 5-4 in that stretch. Loses were to a top team from Missouri, a #7 ranked team at the time in O'fallon, IL, and two conference foes. However, a last second shot that hit the rim twice before falling out would have secured one of the losses into a win over the visiting Lake Forest team that is led by a Clemson University basketball signee.

We are in a stretch of challenges right now where we play 11 games in 22 days. This is not for the weak and we are seeing we have the players that can handle tough challenges.

Freshmen and Sophomores are currently having solid seasons.

Freshmen ended the Lakes MLK tournament 3-0, winning the championship. They are currently 11-2 on the season.

Congratulations to Emmanuel Willoughby lade the All-tournament team at the Lakes MLK tournament



### **Baseball Coaches Corner**



# Support Mundelein High School Baseball

Tuesday, January 24th 10:00 am – 9:00 pm Dine-In or Take-Out

20% of all purchases will be donated to MHS Baseball when you mention this flyer when placing your order

Luke's of Mundelein | 551 North Lake Street 847.566.9798 | www.lukesofmundelein.com



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.

## **Previous Reminders**

#### **ASPIRE**

Our MHS Portrait of a Learner tenets affirm student identity through schoolwide values, expectations and practices.



### **Dress Code**

Although we take great pride in a dress code that encourages self-expression, we do want to remind students of our student dress code policy as found in our <u>student</u> handbook.

- Clothing **must** 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.

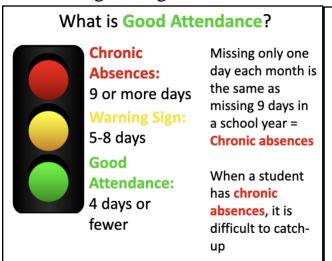
#### Attendance

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.

## What is Good Attendance?

Our MHS Attendance Committee felt it was important to create a simple and clear visual that students and families can reference to understand our expectations surrounding what good attendance looks like.



#### **Valid Excuses for Absences:**

- Illness (including mental health)
- · Observance of a religious holiday
- Death in the immediate family
- Family emergency
- Other approved situations

#### Have you decided:

- How many days are "too many" days to miss in a school year?
- How would you define "good attendance?"

\*Mundelein High School Permits 8 excused absences per semester.

# ¿Qué es Buena Asistencia?



Faltar solo un día cada mes es lo mismo que faltar 9 días en un año escolar = Ausencias crónicas Cuando un estudiante tiene ausencias crónicas, es difícil ponerse al día

#### Excusas válidas para las ausencias:

Enfermedad (incluye la salud mental)

- Observancion de una fiesta religiosa.
- Muerte en la familia inmediata
- Emergencia familiar
- Otras situaciones aprobadas

#### Has decidido:

¿Cuántos días son "demasiados" días para perder en un año escolar? ¿Cómo definiría "buena asistencia"?

\*Mundelein High School permite 8 ausencias justificadas por semestre.

### **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 - 2022-2023 Student/Parent Handbook

# Go Mustangs!



The Principal's Blog: Mustang News is available weekly at <a href="http://mundypride.blogspot.com/">http://mundypride.blogspot.com/</a>