



# **HIGH SCHOOL**



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, March 17, 2023

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





In partnership, Dr. Alexandria Rios Taylor Principal 847-949-2200 x1230 ataylor@d120.org

## **Important Dates**

• March 22 - Student and Staff Talent and Variety Show



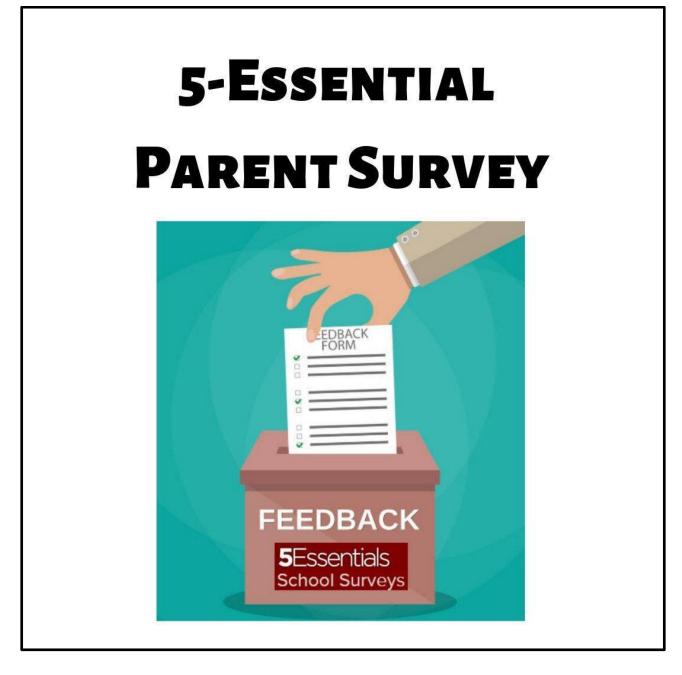
• March 27-31 - Spring Break

MHS 2023-2024 Registration is Now Open



<u>Registration</u> is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Information can be found on our <u>registration page</u>.

**5** Essential Survey



Mundelein High School parents and guardians,

School District 120 is participating with the Illinois State Board of Education in the 2023 statewide survey of school climate and learning conditions. This is your chance to provide input concerning your child's education. We value your opinions about the operations of Mundelein High School.

The Illinois 5Essentials Survey provides a unique opportunity for students, teachers and parents to have a voice in improving their schools. The surveys are available

# now through Friday, March 31. Please use the following link to complete the survey:

Link to survey: http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/

Opens Jan. 24, 2023 and closes March 31, 2023.

We will take all of your input seriously and use it to continually review and update our current educational practices. Results will never be connected to your child. No individual will be identified in the school reports and teachers and administrators will not see individual responses.

The survey is administered online by UChicago Impact at the University of Chicago and provides a comprehensive picture of a school's organizational culture in an individualized report measuring the five essentials critical for school success:

- Effective Leaders
- Collaborative teachers
- Involved families
- Supportive education
- Ambitious instruction

The survey results will be sent to District 120 and will be included in the Illinois State School Report Card next fall.

Thanks, in advance, for taking part in this important survey.

Ramadan: From March 22-April 21 our Muslim students are observing Ramadan. Throughout the month of Ramadan, Muslims fast during daytime hours. During the evening hours, the fast is broken with a small meal shared with friends and family. Fasting during Ramadan is one of the Five Pillars of Islam and is a time of spiritual growth and renewal.

If you would like more information about Ramadan, you may find this link helpful https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan

# **Student Recognition**

Congratulations to our MHS Art Students for being awarded over \$1.5 Million in

scholarships from the Illinois High School Art Exhibition and participating colleges.

This is our state competition for the Visual Arts; MHS student artists have competed against hundreds of other students for awards, prizes, and college scholarships. See the attached press release for student names and examples of their artwork. <u>IHSAE - MHS press release</u>

The MHS Art Department is comprised of teachers: Jonathan Pruc, Peter Schrenk and Kevin Shifley,

Congratulations to our students for their hard work and thank you all for your support of the arts.

# **Staff Recognition**

This weekend, Instructional Assistant Rosalina Esmez was awarded Educational Support Person of the Year by the IEA/NEA Assembly.



# **Class of 2023 Important Information**

Seniors, click <u>here</u> to read important information regarding graduation!



# Yard Signs for graduating seniors

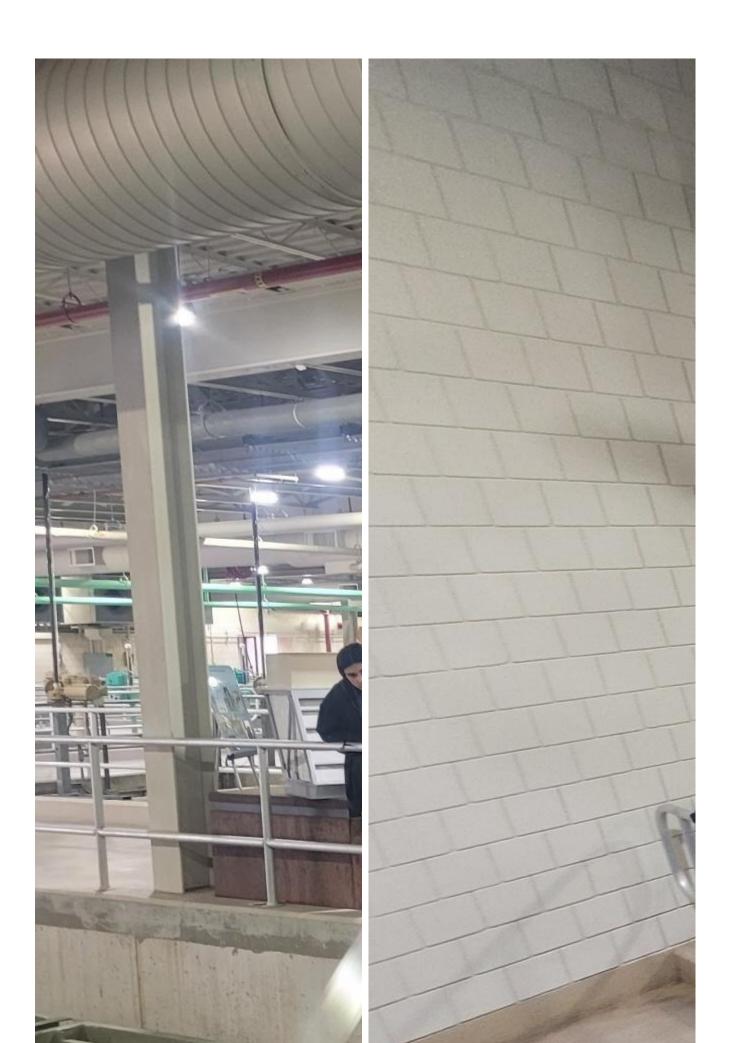
Thanks to the MHS Foundation for the opportunity to purchase a yard sign or banner to celebrate your graduate!

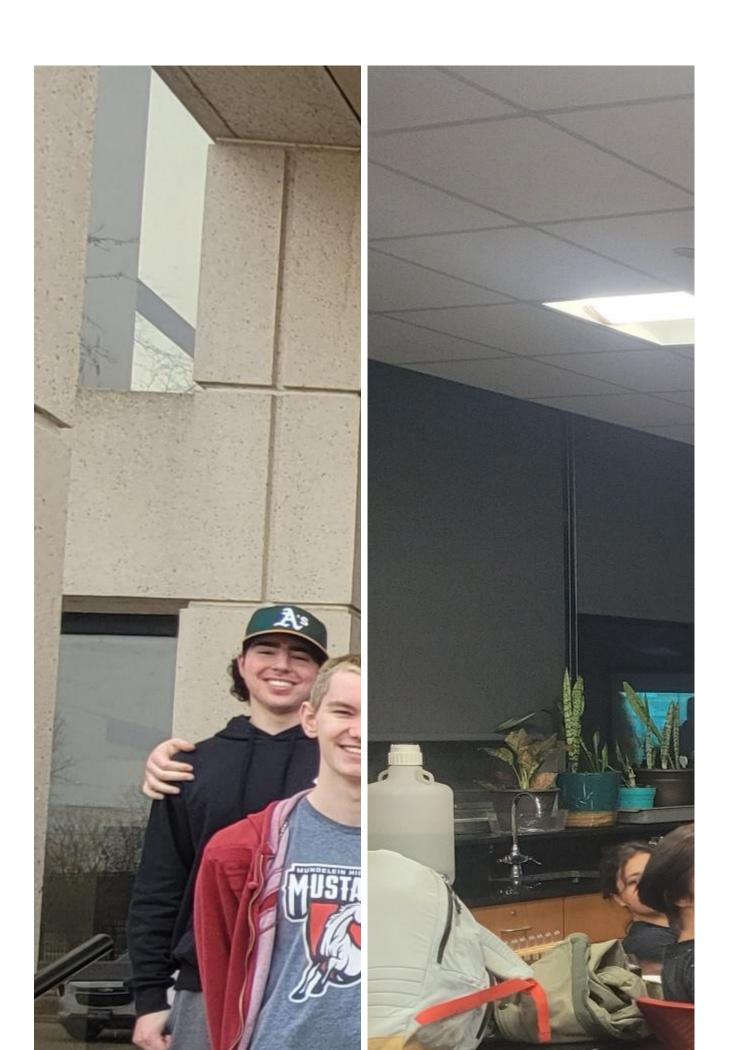
### Yard sign order form

Any questions, contact Lisa Johnson at: 847-370-6548

## **Student Life**

AP Environmental Science students along with teacher Alyssa Wiltjer toured CLCJAWA (Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency) to learn more about the problems with our freshwater availability and some solutions the Great Lakes Initiative is taking to prevent future problems. They got to tour the plant and see all the safeguards in place to ensure clean water delivery and the purpose behind each additive. The students also viewed "Dark Waters"; a movie based on the true story of DuPont and Teflon contaminating drinking water. Afterward, the students had a deep discussion about the movie asking thoughtful questions.







# **OPTIONS FAIR 2023**

A fair to connect individuals with disabilities to essential resources for future planning

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL D120 ( ANNEX)

1500 W Hawley Street

Mundelein, IL 60060

GUEST SPEAKERS: Tina Lowry & Milan Myers, Aspire 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM

> Organization Fair 6:30 - 8:00 PM

# **OPTIONS WEBSITE:** CONSIDEROPTIONS.ORG

Spanish interpreting is available.

If requesting additional accommodations, please contact your home district by March 15, 2023

Agencies and resources at the OPTIONS FAIR areas of focus:

Educational Opportunities • Employment Services • Vocational Day Programs • Government Programs • Health Services • Legal Resources • Recreational Opportunities • Referral Sources • Residential Programs • Transportation Resources



# FERIA DE OPCIONES 2023

Una feria para conectar a personas con discapacidades con recursos esenciales para la planificación futura

JUEVES 20 DE ABRIL DE 2023

6:00 p. m. - 8:00 p.m MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL D120 ( ANNEX) 1500 W Hawley Street Mundelein, IL 60060

INVITADOS: Tina Lowry y Milan Myers, Aspire 6:00 p. m. - 6:45 p.m

> Feria de Opciones 6:30 - 8:00 p.m

### SITIO WEB DE OPCIONES: CONSIDEROPTIONS.ORG

Habra interpretación en español disponible.

Si solicita adaptaciones adicionales, comuníquese con su distrito de origen antes del 15 de marzo de 2023

Agencias y recursos en las áreas de enfoque de OPTIONS FAIR:

Oportunidades educativas · Servicios de empleo · Programas vocacionales diurnos · Programas gubernamentales · Servicios de salud · Recursos legales · Oportunidades recreativas · Fuentes de referencia · Programas residenciales · Recursos de transporte

**Referendum Information** 

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



Pathways

# **Mundelein High School Manufacturing Pathways**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7F0SQGtROnM

# 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.

Maker Faire Lake County

#### CCRC

Juniors... and Sophomores! Come to the CCRC and hear from our very own MHS College Ambassadors. They have lots of information to share with you that will help you prepare for the college application process.

College Ambassador Presentations					
Monday 3/20	Tuesday 3/21	Wednesday 3/22	Thursday 3/23	Friday 3/24	
<b>4th Period</b> Questbridge Scholarship Program	<b>6th Period</b> Majoring in STEM	<b>3rd Period</b> College Essays	<b>3rd Period</b> NCAA	<b>4th Period</b> Choosing a College	
<b>5th Period</b> Military Career Path	Register in Naviance!	<b>5th Period</b> Choosing Out- Of-State Colleges	<b>4th Period</b> Being First Generation	<b>5th Period</b> All About CommonApp	
1		<b>6th Period</b> Health & Applying to College	<b>6th Period</b> Persuing Fine Arts in College		
		<b>7th Period</b> Searching For Scholarships	Juniors! Don't miss these presentations!		



Underclassmen! Please join us on **Zoom** to hear about the college planning process from Mrs. Andrea Rusk, MHS College Counselor.

> This event is for students and their parents/guardians.

# Anticipating College

TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH 7PM

This is a virtual event! Register by typing this into your browser.

bit.ly/mhscollegeplanning

Seniors: If you haven't applied to college yet, come to our Mini College Application Day!



## **College Visits**

Tuesday, March 21st	Class period
University of Mississippi	1
Macquarie University	2
Marquette University	3
Mercer University	5
Universal Technical Institute	7
University of Alabama at Birmingham	8

Thursday, March 23rd	Class period
University of Illinois at Springfield	2
Merrimack College	5

#### **Scholarships Due Next Week:**





FOR FIRST GENERATION STUDENTS PART OF AN ETI GROUP UNDERREPRESENTED IN THE EDUCATION PROFESSION THAT NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE COLLEGE

THIS APPLICATION REQUIRES:

•TRANSCRIPT •REFERENCES FROM 2 MHS STAFF MEMBERS •WRITTEN RESPONSE

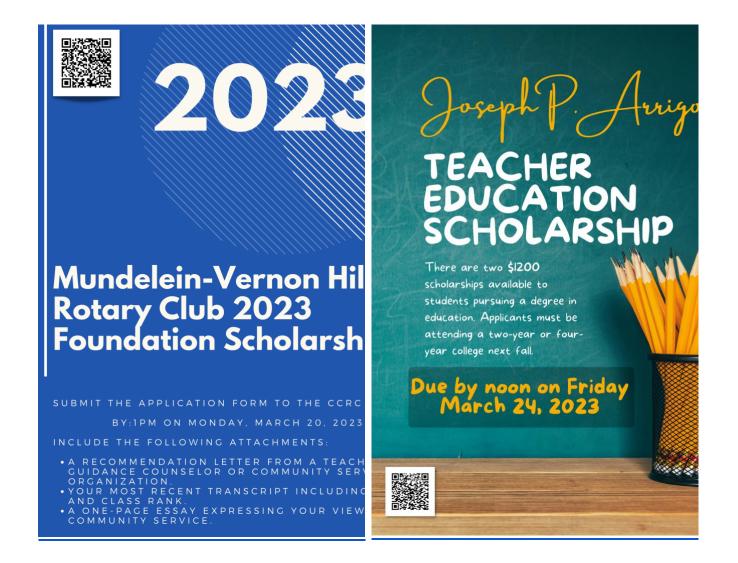
DUE: 12PM MARCH 24, 2023

Dawn E. Mille Spirit of Education Joundation Scholarshi

Dawn E. Miller's passion for education is exemplified through her six children who graduated from Elementary District 76 and Mundelein High School District 120, her 20+ years of service as a School board member and President to both districts, and Vice President and Field Services Director at the Illinois School Board Association.

#### Due Date: 3/24/23





#### Athletics

#### **Special Olympics Basketball**

Congratulations goes out to the Special Olympics basketball team on their 3rd place finish down state! Shout out to both coaches Eric Billittier and Krissy Pawlicki and the entire team for their first ever state appearance. Mundelein is very proud of you.















# **Boys Water Polo Coaches Corner**

MHS Varsity Water Polo went 3-1 at the Palatine Invite



### **Boys Track Coaches Corner**

This past Saturday we competed in the first ever NSC Indoor Invitational. Strong performances all-around, as we took 4th in both the F/S and Varsity levels. Listed below all our medalists (Top 3).

At the F/S level, we had 2 meet champions. Freshman Kessler Magrow won the HighJump with a PR of 4'11", and Freshman Elijah Mendoza won the 1600 with a

time of 5:06.71. We also received several 3rd place finishes, starting with the 4 x 800 relay of Kessler Magrow, Logan Ramirez, Elijah Mendoza, and Nathaniel Mendez. Also taking 3rd were Nick Selimos in the 200M, Logan Ramirez in the 800, William Vilchynskyy in the Shot Put, and the foursome of Aubre Booker, Adam Hauf, Anthony Ramirez, and Nick Selimos in the 4 x 200M Relay.

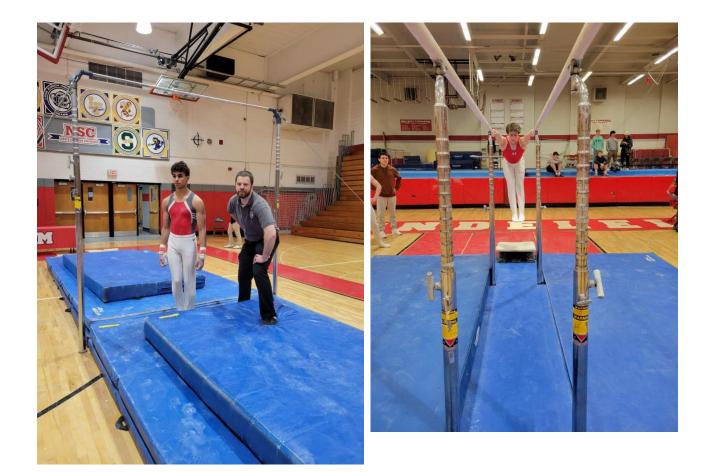
At the Varsity level, the Big Guys led the way, as Brandon Hansen took 3rd in the Shot Put, and Marcel Siepko took a pair of 2nd, in the 60M and 200M Dashes. Julian Eagar finished on Marcel's heels in the 200, finishing 3rd. Sophomore Alberto Diaz took 3rd in the 3200M with a huge PR of 10:13.03. We also had a number of other scorers in the top 6, which you can find in the attached results. Lots of PRs and great efforts on the night, demonstrating that we can compete when the outdoor season begins. One more indoor meet, as we will be back at Lakes HS on Friday. More info coming later in the week. Great Job, Mustangs!

Also- This Sunday (March 19th) is the Big Mattress Sale benefitting the Boys' Track Team. Please pass the word to everyone you know. Hope to see you all Sunday!



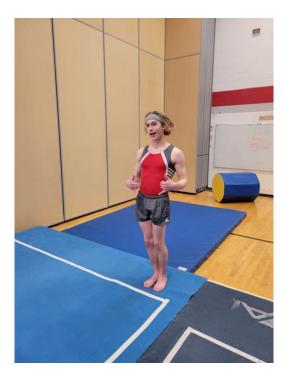
# **Boys Gymnastics Coaches Corner**

The MHS boys gymnastics team had their first conference meet on Thursday 3/9 against Libertyville and Stevenson. Gymnasts Holden Allsbury and Braeden Kratz had season best all around scores. Both JV and Varsity teams recorded season high team scores as well. Good job Mustangs.





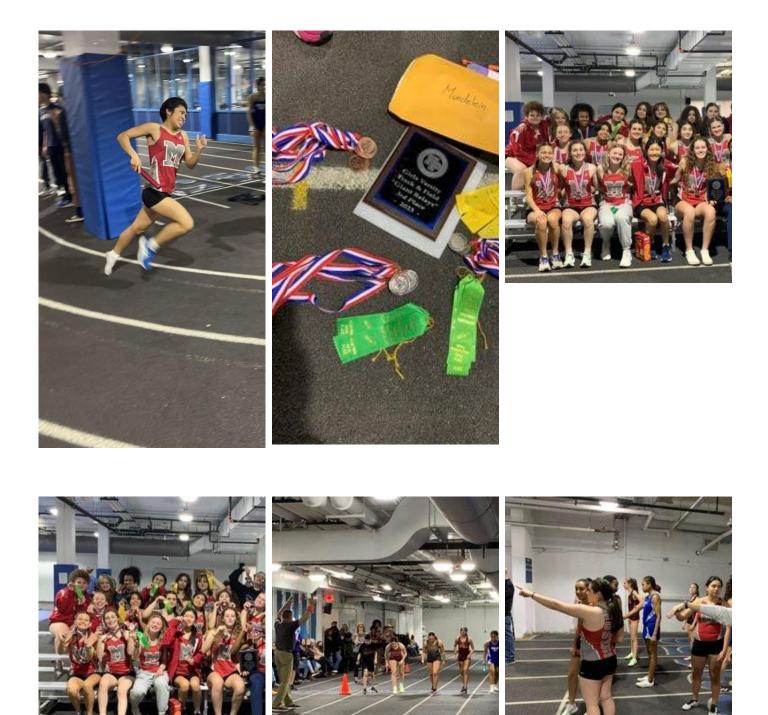




# **Girls Track Coaches Corner**

An outstanding team effort tonight at Highland Park! 3rd place for our F.A.M.I.L.Y.

Vivi G. competing hard with only 1 shoe!!!!



## **Boys Volleyball Coaches Corner**

Our boys teams have been solidified after a week of tryouts, and now the teams are brushing off rusty skills and working on building new ones. Because of tight gym space, the JV and Varsity teams have been practicing at Carl Sandburg Middle School, and we are looking forward to getting back into the MHS gym. Our first game is Monday, March 20th at home against Palatine.



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**The Foundation** 





The Mundelein Foundation is seeking new members!

Do you have one night a month to make a difference? Contact Jennifer for more information on how you can have some fun helping the next generation: 847-987-7955 or <u>brunkow4@sbcglobal.net</u>

# **Previous Reminders**

# ASPIRE

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

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# Portrait of a Learner:

AGILE-we adapt to any situation

SELF-ASSURED-we show up, stand up and/or speal

PROACTIVE-we make things happen

INFORMATION SEEKING–we seek, acquire, and eval multiple perspectives

RESILIENT-we make the most of challenges and over

EMPATHETIC-we value the feelings of others by put situation



# MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL

TODOS los alumnus de nuestra comunidad ASPIRAN e preparados para hoy y preparados para mañana.

#### El retrato de aprendiz:

ÁGILES–nosotros nos adaptamos a cualquier situación

SEGUROS DE NOSOTROS MISMOS-nosotros estamos presents, son Valientes, y somos vocales

PROACTIVOS-nosotros aseguramos que las cosas sucedan

INFORMADOS-nosotros buscamos, agregamos, y evaluamos la infor de varias perspectivas

RESILIENTES-nosotros aprovechamos de los retos y superamos la adversidad

EMPÁTICOS-nosotros valoramos los sentimientos de los demás por ponerse en su lugar



#### **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> <u>handbook</u>.

- 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.**

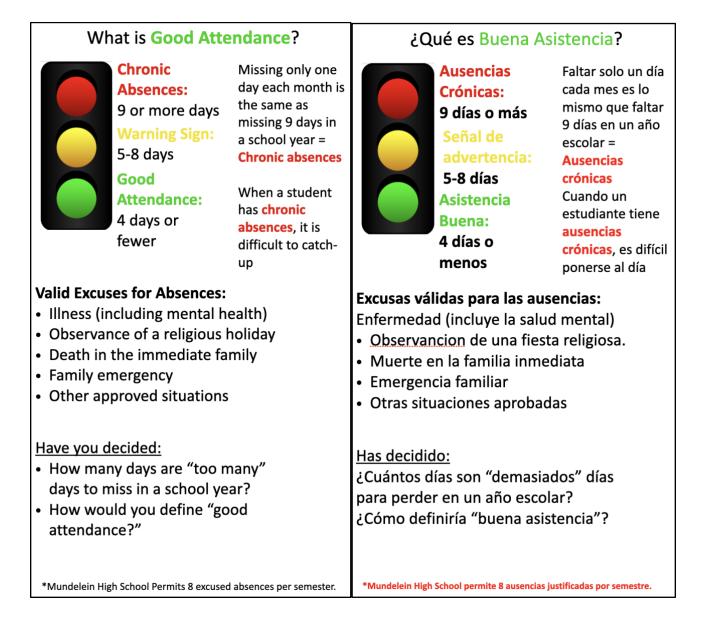
• Clothing that depicts pornography, nudity or sexual acts is prohibited.

# 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.



# **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>

# Go Mustangs!



The Principal's Blog: Mustang News is now available at http://mundypride.blogspot.com/