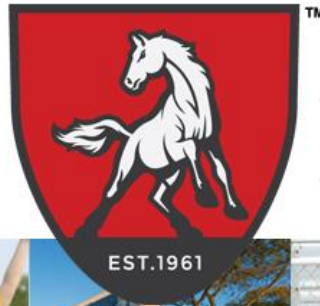


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MHS CORE VALUES: EQUITY GROWTH COLLABORATION

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 24, 2023

## Mustang News: Principal's Blog

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On Wednesday, April 12, 2023, all MHS juniors will take the SAT here at MHS. Students may choose to use results from this free exam to submit to colleges when applying or may choose to register to take the test again individually through [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Mundelein High School is offering a variety of support options to assist our students to prepare for the SAT.

- **FREE SAT Prep offered by The MHS Literacy Center and Math Lab:**
  - Students can obtain SAT practice tests in the Literacy Center. Students can schedule a time with Literacy Center and Math Lab specialists for support with practice exams.
- **FREE Practice test**
  - The College Board, authors of the SAT tests, are partners with Khan Academy to help students turn their performance on a practice test into direct feedback. Start by taking a full-length practice test: Click [HERE](#).
    - Test scoring app: Take a complete SAT practice test (through collegeboard.org) and use a smartphone to scan your answer sheet and receive an immediate score. You must create an account.
    - [Making sense of your Skills \(not your Score\)](#) -Feedback for students is instant and tailored to their performance.
- **Online Resources**
  - [Khan Academy SAT prep](#)
  - [Collegeboard.org](http://Collegeboard.org)

If you have any questions about preparing for the SAT, please contact Andrea Rusk ([arusk@d120.org](mailto:arusk@d120.org)), our College and Career Counselor, Hope Babowice ([hbabowice@d120.org](mailto:hbabowice@d120.org)), our Literacy Center Specialists, your student's counselor, or our Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, Stacey Gorman ([sgorman@d120.org](mailto:sgorman@d120.org)).



In partnership,

**Dr. Alexandria Rios Taylor**

Principal

847-949-2200 x1230

[ataylor@d120.org](mailto:ataylor@d120.org)

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### **Important Dates**



March 27-31 - Spring Break

Have a happy spring break! School will resume Monday, April 3, 2023.

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### **SAT Prep Resources**

[SAT Information & Prep Resources](#)



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**MHS 2023-2024 Registration is Now Open**

A large red banner with a dark red background and a lighter red geometric pattern on the right side. The text is in white, bold, sans-serif font. The top line reads "REGISTRATION FOR THE", the middle line reads "2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR", and the bottom line reads "NOW OPEN".

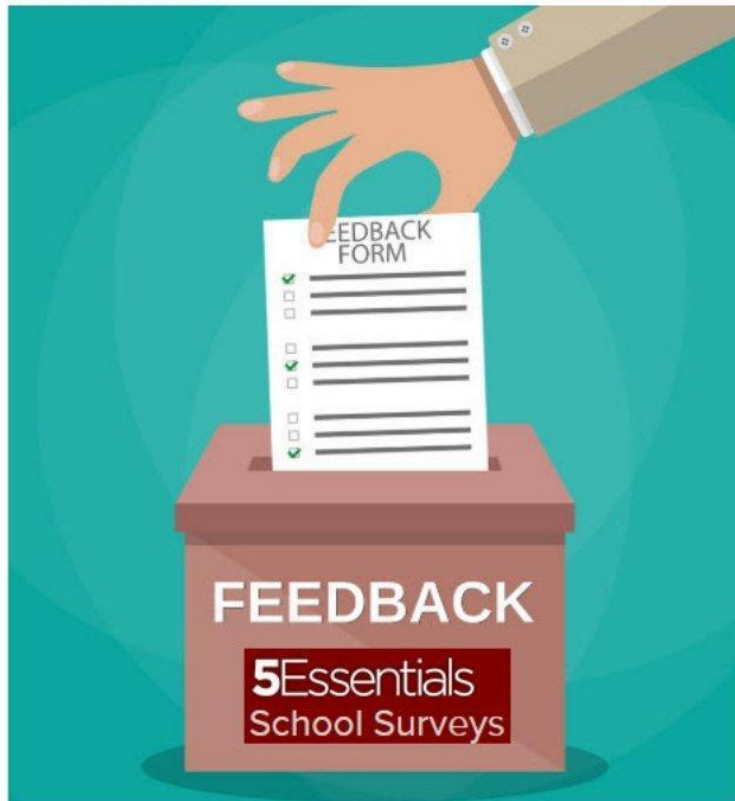
**REGISTRATION FOR THE  
2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR  
NOW OPEN**

[Registration](#) is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Information can be found on our [registration page](#).

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**5 Essential Survey**

# 5-ESSENTIAL PARENT 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.

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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>

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### **Student Recognition**

Congratulations to our Mustang Pride Award recipients for March who have met and exceeded the D120 Profile of a Learner tenets:

- Agile

- Self Assured
- Proactive
- Information seeking
- Resilient
- Empathetic



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## **Class of 2023 Important Information**

Seniors, click [here](#) to read important information regarding graduation!

# IMPORTANT Class of 2023 INFORMATION

## Yard Signs for graduating seniors

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

## GRADUATION YARD SIGN & BANNER MUNDYPRIDE.COM

PROCEEDS FOR YOUR PURCHASE ARE USED FOR MHS SCHOLARSHIPS



## Yard sign order form

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

Decision Day Banners

Mundelein High School

**\$25** CELEBRATE YOUR COLLEGE  
COMMITMENT IN TIME FOR  
DECISION DAY

A FUNDRAISER FOR  
CLASS OF 2023 SENIOR  
GIFT

LAST DAY FOR SALES  
IS  
APRIL 3RD!

ULTIMATE SCREEN  
PRINTING

Signs will be personalized with your name and college choice  
Sign pickup will be April 24th at Mundelein High School.



<https://ultimate-screen-printing.printavo.com/merch/collegesyardsigns>

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## 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](https://www.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](http://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

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### 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](#).



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## Pathways

# Mundelein High School Manufacturing Pathways

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

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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](#)

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CCRC



# Anticipating College

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH  
7PM**

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

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

This event is for students and their parents/guardians.

[bit.ly/mhscollegeplanning](https://bit.ly/mhscollegeplanning)

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

**UW PARKSIDE**  
**COLLEGE OF LAKE COUNTY**  
**NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**

**Mini College Application Day!**

**REGISTER ON NAVIANCE!**  
**April 6th**  
**Lunch periods**  
**CCRC-B105**

*You Got This!*

**HERZING UNIVERSITY**  
**DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY**  
**NATIONAL LOUIS UNIVERSITY**  
**WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**  
**NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**

**UNIVERSITY**  
**APPLY TO COLLEGE!**

## Athletics

[Schedule for week of March 27](#)

**Baseball Coaches Corner**



Mustangs win the opener!

Pitching staff struck out 9. Great defensive plays by Carlson, Troha, and O'Malley. Offense led by a stampede of seniors.

Geraghty (1B, 2 RBIs)

Whipple (2B, RBI, R)

Koenigsknecht (1B, RBI, R)

Pogachnik (1B, RBI)



### Boys Water Polo Corner

Mundelein Boys Water Polo taking on Buffalo Grove in @MundeleinPolo

Mustangs win 16-6 final score



## Girls Soccer Coaches Corner



VARSITY Final

MHS: 1

Antioch:0

⚽ [LRI]@\_gracecordova[PD] (12th Minute)

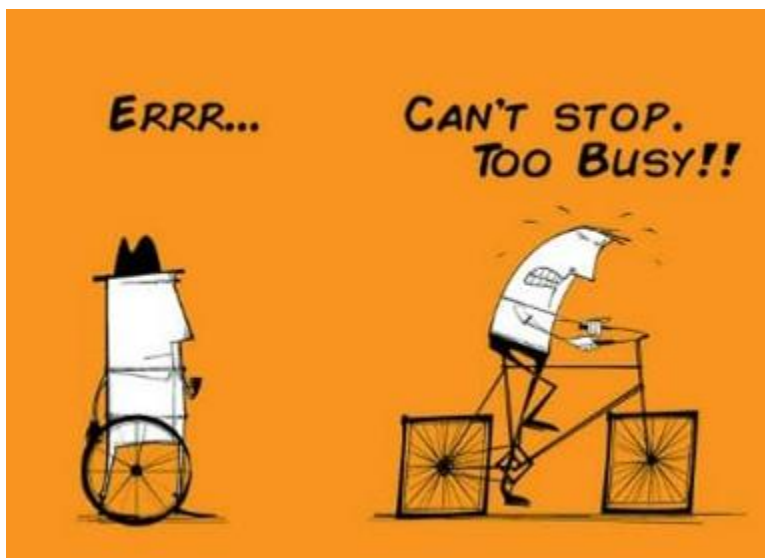
Took big steps forward today. Worked very hard as a team. Can't wait to get back to practice tomorrow to continue to grow together as a team!

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### The Foundation



**MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL**  
**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 [brunkow4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brunkow4@sbcglobal.net)

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## **Previous Reminders**

### **ASPIRE**

Our [MHS Portrait of a Learner](#) tenets affirm student identity through schoolwide values, expectations and practices.



# MUNDELEI HIGH SCHOOL

ALL learners in our community **ASPIRE**  
today and prepared for tomorrow

## Portrait of a Learner:

**AGILE**—we adapt to any situation

**SELF-ASSURED**—we show up, stand up and/or speak

**PROACTIVE**—we make things happen

**INFORMATION SEEKING**—we seek, acquire, and evaluate  
multiple perspectives

**RESILIENT**—we make the most of challenges and overcome

**EMPATHETIC**—we value the feelings of others by putting  
ourselves in their situation



# MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL

TODOS los alumnos de nuestra comunidad **ASPIRAN** a ser  
preparados para hoy y preparados para mañana.

## El retrato de aprendiz:

**ÁGILES**—nosotros nos adaptamos a cualquier situación

**SEGUROS DE NOSOTROS MISMOS**—nosotros estamos presentes, somos  
valientes, y somos vocales

**PROACTIVOS**—nosotros aseguramos que las cosas sucedan

**INFORMADOS**—nosotros buscamos, agregamos, y evaluamos la información  
de varias perspectivas

**RESILIENTES**—nosotros aprovechamos de los retos y superamos la  
adversidad

**EMPÁTICOS**—nosotros valoramos los sentimientos de los demás por  
ponerlos en su lugar



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## 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 [student handbook](#).

- Clothing **must** cover all undergarments (waistbands and straps excluded).
- Fabric covering all private parts must **not** 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.**

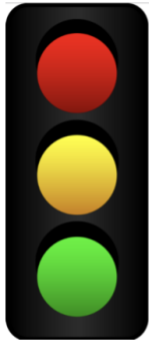
## **Attendance**

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.

## What is **Good Attendance**?



**Chronic Absences:**  
9 or more days

**Warning Sign:**  
5-8 days

**Good Attendance:**  
4 days or fewer

Missing only one day each month is the same as missing 9 days in a school year = **Chronic absences**

When a student has **chronic absences**, it is difficult to catch-up

### **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**?



**Ausencias Crónicas:**  
9 días o más

**Señal de advertencia:**  
5-8 días

**Asistencia Buena:**  
4 días o menos

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)
- Observación 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](http://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](#)

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**Go Mustangs!**



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