

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

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Friday, May 12, 2023

Mustang News: Principal's Blog

Mustang Families,

We celebrated Staff Appreciation this week at MHS. I'd like to give a special *"Thank you"* to our <u>Parent Ambassadors</u> for the wonderful assortment of sweets and treats they provided our faculty and staff.

Our administrative team is thankful for all the work each member of our talented staff does to help make MHS a special place to learn and grow! Click <u>here</u> to read more about their phenomenal work from our students and families!



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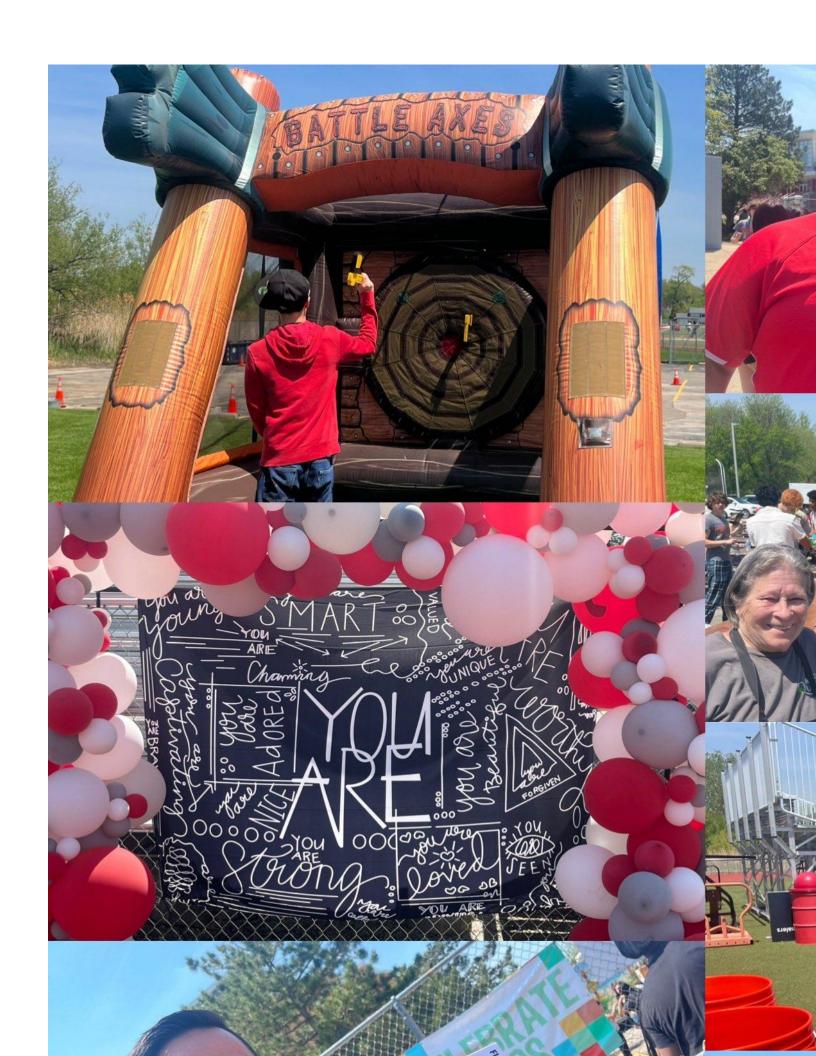


In partnership,

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

Wellness Bash

This was Mundelein High School's first ever Wellness Bash. We had five community resources attend, including Nicasa, United Way, Mano A Mano, Corner Health Foods, and Tobias the therapy dog.







Student Recognition

Thank you so much to everyone who participated (or even intended to participate) in the Luke's fundraiser for Best Buddies yesterday. Every student in the club grows so much in leadership, social skills, wisdom, and more. Yesterday, we got the chance to witness students order food by themselves for the first time, invite, initiate conversation, ask thought-provoking questions, cheer each other on, exchange phone numbers, shed a tear for graduation nostalgia, and more.



Pic 1: Enjoying the meal, though we wish we got a picture of how crowded the spaces were after everyone joined. There was lots of scooting and elbow bumping just to make sure everyone (literally and figuratively) had a seat at the table.

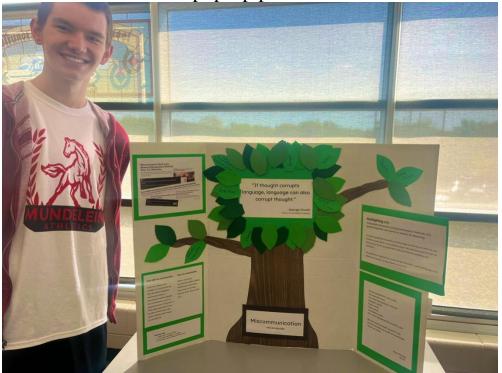


Pic 2: Our seniors! Congrats to Isaias, Joel, Marvin, Princessa, & Devon. Many kudos to Devon for fearlessly serving the club as president for three years. What will we do without her?!

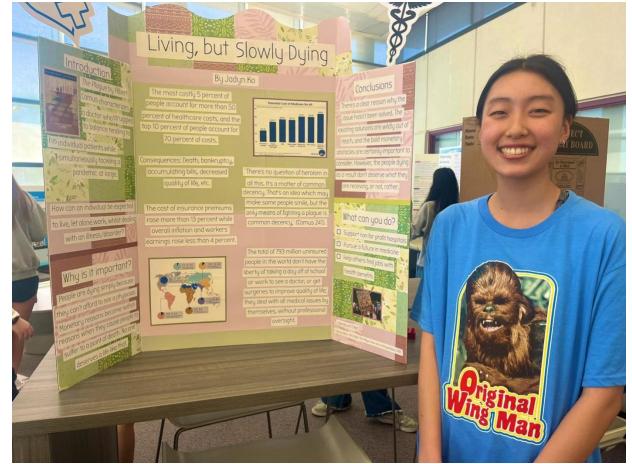


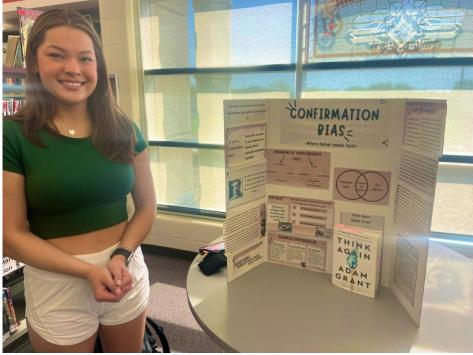
Pic 3: The whole group!

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Staff Recognition

Congratulations to our three Lake County Educator of the Year Educators, centered in the picture! Their dedication to our students is tremendous!



Pictured L to R: Dr Taylor, Lulu Chapa, Jennifer Adame, Sam Voelker, Michelle Banks

Congratulations to our Mustang Pride Award Recipients



John Mahoney, nominated by Tom Buenik



Kate Schultz, Maureen Baker, Heather Ryan, Morgan Spitz nominated by Jessica Schuessler



Payton Berg, nominated by Heather Crawford

Congratulations to our Mustang Star Recipients for the 2022-2023 school year!

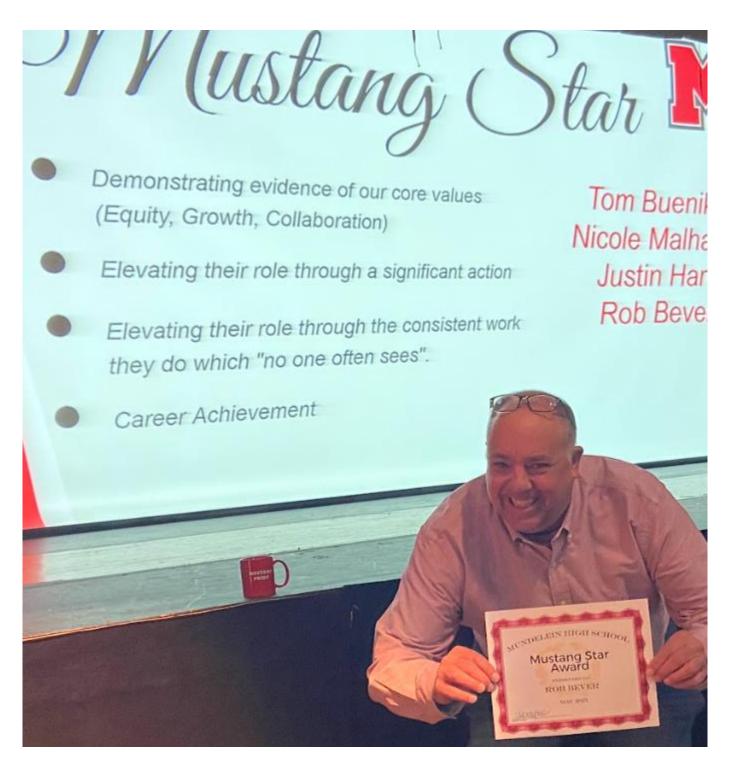
The Mustang Star Award is our most prestigious Staff Award as it is a lifetime award that acknowledges their contribution to our school community!



Justin Hart, Wellness Department Chair



Nicole Malham, Social Studies Teacher



Rob Bever, Special Education teacher



Tom Buenik, Counseling Department Chair



Lulu Chapa, Administrative Professional

Congratulations to **English Teacher, Ryan Buck**, for the grant he received from The Foundation!



MHS 2023-2024 Registration is Now Open

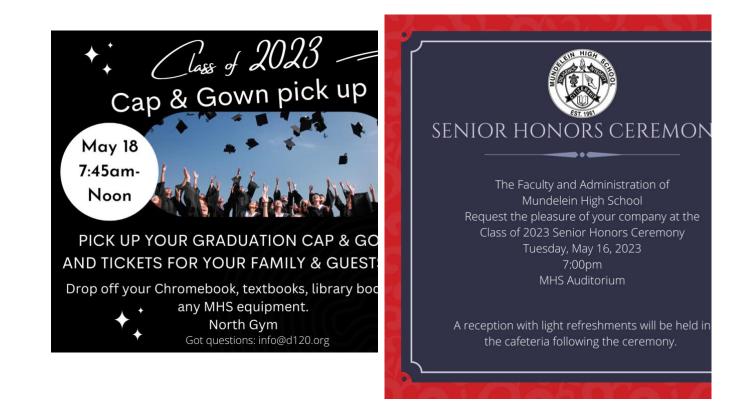


<u>Registration</u> is now open for the 2023-2024 school year. Information can be found on our <u>registration page</u>.

Class of 2023 Important Information Seniors, click <u>here</u> to read important information regarding graduation!

Graduation Practice video





Files on student Google Accounts:

Google accounts for those students returning in the fall will <u>NOT</u> be deleted or deactivated. Students will keep their Google accounts (and Chromebooks) including all files & email contained in their Google accounts, until they graduate.

Graduating students will have their network and Google accounts deactivated on August 1st. Please let your senior students know that if they wish to take their Google files with them, they should follow the directions specified at the bottom of our technology page on the D120.org website: <u>http://www.d120.org/technology</u> under the *"Seniors: Export your Google Data!"* section.

Files on student H: Drives:

Every summer <u>we clear all student files</u> that reside on their H: drives. Please remind your students that if they wish to keep any of these files, they need to copy them to their own personal flash drives or upload them to their Google drives before their last day of school.



Important Parking Information: This is a reminder that students who drive to school may only park in Mundelein High School student lots with a parking pass issued by MHS. Students may not park in staff lots, the district office lot, or in the lots of local businesses.

We have been informed by a handful of local businesses that many students are parking in their lots. They have informed us that they will begin towing vehicles of MHS students who park there during the day.

Please ensure you have the appropriate parking pass to park at MHS and do not park in the lots of local businesses. You run the risk of having your vehicle towed.

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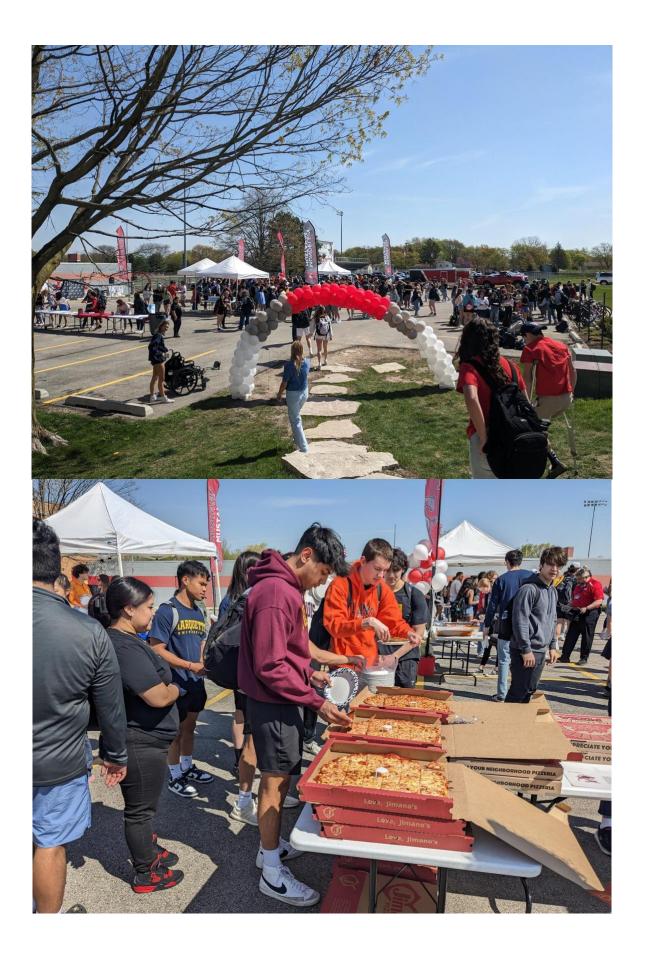
Decision Day was so much fun! Thank you to our 2023 College Ambassadors for planning such a fun party. We would also like to thank our donors who provided delicious food for our senior class and to the staff members that helped out or were dunked in the dunk tank ().







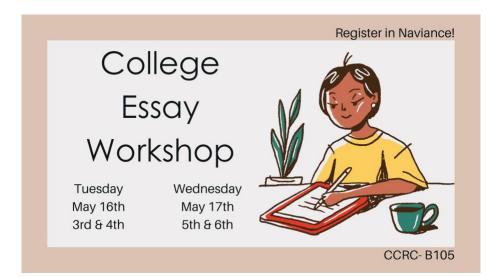






Follow the MHS Decisions instagram! \checkmark





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Seniors: It's not too late to complete your FAFSA. It is a graduation requirement to complete the FAFSA application or you must sign a non-participation form. If you

need assistance or need to sign the non-participation waiver, please stop by the CCRC B105 and see Ms. Bogseth.

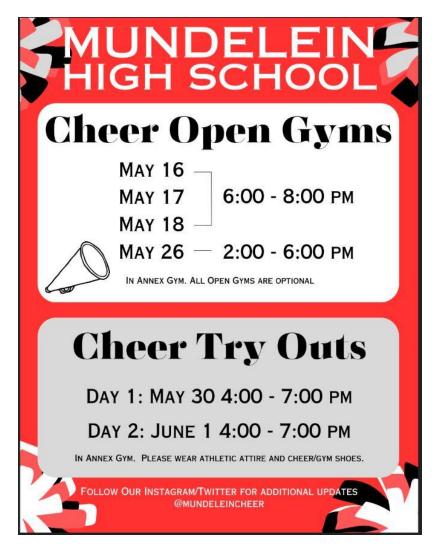
You can access the FAFSA form at FAFSA.gov



Athletics

Athletics schedule for Week of May 15

Cheerleading



Boys Volleyball Coaches Corner

Congratulations to our Freshman Boys team for their wins at the Zion Quad on Saturday! This has been a wonderful season for Mustang volleyball at all levels! Last week's matches bring the Varsity record to 13-15. Mark your calendars for our final 2 home matches: Monday, May 15, which is Senior Night against Round Lake, and our final conference match on Wednesday, May 17 against Lake Forest. All home games start at 5:00 & 6:00 pm. Mustang volleyball will wrap up their regular season on the road Friday, May 19 at Grayslake Central. Then Monday, May 22 starts the post season at Vernon Hills High School. Match time is 5:30 pm vs Deerfield. Come out and support your Mustangs!

Girls Soccer Coaches Corner

Special thanks to the Mundelein AYSO Region 372 program in joining the MHS Girls' Varsity Soccer squad vs. Lake Forest. Appreciate them being our honorary ball kids and joining us for the World Cup walk-on! Look forward to seeing our





Congratulations to the Sportsmanship Award winners from Mundelein and Lake Forest in Girls Soccer @MHSGSoccer5 Phoebe Almora @LFHS_Scouts Riley Hoskins!



Boys Lacrosse Coaches Corner

Gritty 12-9 Win vs Notre Dame! Char brings home the team belt and Lichter with the GB chain. Great job boys! Next up, the last home game vs Libertyville.



Girls Lacrosse Coaches Corner

The girls Varsity lacrosse team made a special trip this past weekend to Mona Shores High School in Norton Shores, Michigan. Mona Shores graciously invited them to play at their beautiful state of the art facility. They had a great time playing two games against the Varsity and JV teams. The girls lacrosse team is looking forward to hosting their teams next season on Mustangs turf!



Boys Track & Field Coaches Corner

Another great night at the Lake County Invitational Thursday evening. The sprinters really got after it, both in the relays and the individual events. The quartet of Reece Dylan Cruz, Julian Eagar, Nick Selimoss, and Marcel Siepko took 3rd in the 4 x 100, and then came back to take 5th in the 4 x 200, both in Season's Best times. Reece contributed a 6th place finish in the open 100, with a PR of 11.35. Marcel came back to take 4th in the open 200, in another PR of 22.59. Javy Mata rounded out our scoring with an 8th place finish in the 800m. Javy's time of 2:00.7 was a 4 second PR, and puts him very close to the state qualifying time. A couple other great performances came from Ryan Bugaring and Connor Tector. Ryan dropped 2 seconds from his PR in the 300 hurdles, running 45.88. Connor Tector had a big PR in the 400m, running 53.73, breaking 54 for the first time.

Last but not least, hats off to Logan Ramirez, who broke 5 minutes in the 1600 for the first time, running 4:58.67. Way to go, Mustangs!

We have a big week ahead of us, with us hosting the Conference Meet at our track this Thursday. But before that, we will be celebrating our seniors with Senior Night on Wednesday evening right after practice, at 5:30. All parents are welcome to join us. I am going to create an event here on Facebook so that everyone can let us know how many are coming, so we can tell Grillmaster Whitty how much food we need. Hope you can all make it. Until then, It's A Great Day To Be A Mustang!

Alumni Watch-

A couple of great performances by our alumni this weekend I thought I'd mention. Carter Schorr, running for Butler University, won the steeplechase at a meet in Bloomington Indiana, running 9:17. (Nice pic of him on their webpage, too) Michael Keegan, running for MSOE, took 4th in the 1500m in their conference meet, in what I believe is a monster PR of 4:05, which translates to around a 4:22mile! Way to represent, guys!!!!

Girls Track & Field Coaches Corner

This past week we had the North Suburban Conference Championship Meet. This was an extremely competitive meet with a ton of talented athletes. North Suburban sportsmanship winners;Mundelein represented by Lauren Mjoen



The meet continued with a number of other highlights including the follow point scorers:

High Jump: Paige Prochnow (4th) Shot Put: Sharron Kagan (3rd) Discus: Sharron Kagan (4th) 100m Hurdles: Abbie Shifley (6th) 4x400m Relay: Dayanara Aguilera, Paige Prochnow, Amber Dean, Praise Oyebanji (4th)

1600m run (JV): Chloe Engelbrecht (4th)

And... the champion and new North Suburban Conference meet record holder in the 800... Praise Oyebanji! This is what it takes to set a record...



Girls Softball Coaches Corner

Varsity - MHS 11 - New Trier 7. Ladies came out ready to hit! MHS improves to 19-3 with a big week of conference ahead of us. Let's continue to be accountable and dialed in all facets of the game. Happy with this group and their fight.

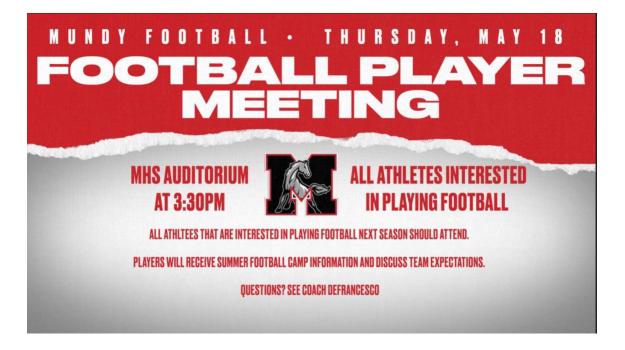
JV1 & JV2 senior night photos



Boys Soccer

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Football



Now is the time to register for Mustang Football Summer Camp!

The MHS Football program is designed to prepare students for success. We are focused on our student-athletes not only being successful on the field, but also in the community beyond MHS. Coming to camp will prepare you for the upcoming season, and provide you with an incredible experience! JOIN US!

Registration Link: <u>https://mundelein.revtrak.net/rw-summer-programs/</u>



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 brunkow4@sbcglobal.net

Previous Reminders

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

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ALL learners in our community ASPIRE today and prepared for tomo

Portrait of a Learner:

AGILE-we adapt to any situation

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

PROACTIVE-we make things happen

INFORMATION SEEKING-we seek, acquire, and evalua multiple perspectives

RESILIENT-we make the most of challenges and overc

EMPATHETIC-we value the feelings of others by puttir situation



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PROACTIVOS-nosotros aseguramos que las cosas su

INFORMADOS–nosotros buscamos, agregamos, y eva de varias perspectivas

RESILIENTES–nosotros aprovechamos de los retos y adversidad

EMPÁTICOS-nosotros valoramos los sentimientos de 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>.

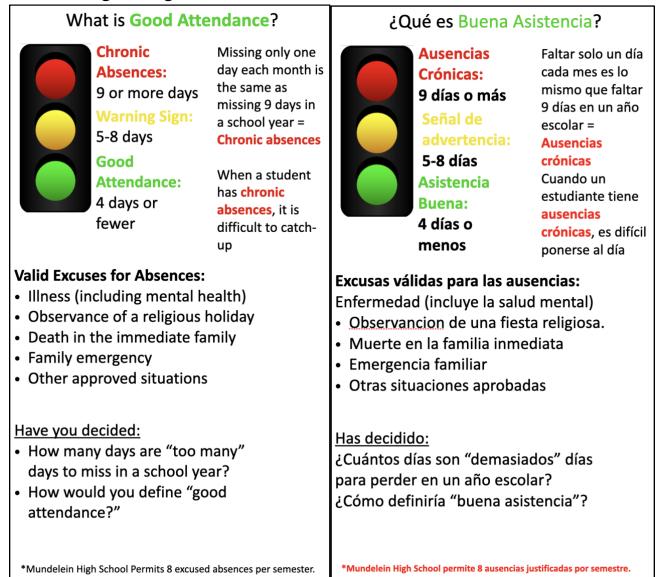
- Clothing <u>must</u> cover all undergarments (waistbands and straps excluded).
- Fabric covering all private parts must <u>not</u> be seen through.
- Clothing that depicts, advertises or advocates the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances **is prohibited.**
- Clothing that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



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