MUNDELEIN



HIGH SCHOOL











MHS CORE VALUES: EQUITY GROWTH

August 1, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year. Please see below for important information regarding back-to-school readiness.

As the year unfolds, I will continue to send information home every Friday via the weekly Principal's Blog which can be found on our school website under "About", Publications, "Principal's Newsletter".

Thank you for your strong commitment to your son/daughter's education. I am confident that this school year will be an excellent one. If you have any questions, please call the Main Office at 847-949-2200.

Go Mustangs!



Sincerely, Dr. Alexandria Rios Taylor Dr. Alexandria Rios Taylor, Principal 847-949-2200 x1257 ataylor@d120.org

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Principal Blog is posted every Friday at www.d120.org/about-mhs/principals-newsletter/

Important Dates

Aug 7 - '22-23 Yearbook Pickup & start of fall sports

Aug 9- Parent Night for families of new students

Aug 11- New Student Orientation (freshman, new students and transfer students), 8am-2:00pm

Aug 16 -First Day of School

Aug 16- Fall Sport Parent Night at 7pm Main Gym

Aug 18- Activity & Athletic Fair during lunch periods

Aug 18- Back to School Bash at 7pm

Aug 29- Open House 5:30-8:30pm in Auditorium

Sep 4- No School (National Holiday)

Sep 13- Picture Day



All You Need to Get Ready for School (A-Z)

Athletics

All fall athletic information will be posted at the www.d120.org website under the Athletics tab. Fall Sports

begin August 7, 2023. All parents of students participating in a fall sport should attend Fall Sport Parent Night

on Tuesday, August 16 at 7pm in the Main Gym. Registration for Fall Sports will need to be completed before a
student athlete can try out for a sport. The Mundelein athletic code/sports information document and emergency
information sheet should have been filled out during online info-snap school registration.

- A current physical must be submitted to the nurse's office that states that the student athlete is cleared to participate in sports. *A physical is good for 395 days*.
 - Physicals may be scheduled
 - **Target Minute Clinic,** no insurance required for \$69. It is suggested that you make an appointment online at www.minuteclinic.com or by Phone 866-389-2727
 - **Dr. Lawrence Amato M.D,** 1170 E. Belvidere Rd., #202, Grayslake II 60030. He can be reached at 847-566-0300.
- Each athlete will need to be passing a minimum of 5 classes each week during the fall to meet eligibility.
- Contact Susan Frew in the athletic office at sfrew@d120.org or call 847-949-2200 extension 1340 for more information.

Bell Schedule & Calendars

A District calendar can be found at https://www.d120.org/events/ along with a copy of the bell schedule which features late student arrival.

Bus Routes

Bus routes will be emailed out to families by Friday, August 4.

Drop-off and pick-up

Students should enter school through the main entrance or the west entrance. Drop-off and pick-up of students by car occurs only in the east parking lot and stadium parking lot. Cars that enter southbound off of Midlothian will exit southbound back on Midlothian. Cars that enter off of Hawley will exit on to Hawley. **The west and north parking lots are not for student parking or drop-off/pick-up.**

Financial Assistance

School Fee Waiver/Reduction Program

Mundelein High School offers an application to waive or reduce your child's school fees. Eligibility is based on family income per the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. ALL household members that receive ANY type of compensation (full-time employment, part-time employment, unemployment, alimony, child support, social security, workman's compensation, etc.) must report the gross (before taxes) income amount. If you wish to have your child's 2023-2024 school year registration and other fees waived or reduced to 40% of the applicable full fee values, you must submit the application (English version / Spanish version) to the Main Office by August 31. The "Application for School Fee Reduction" will require submission of income documentation. For more information, contact Silvia Torres at 847-949-2200 Ext. 1488.

Free and Reduced Meal Program

Families may apply for Free or Reduced Meals (Breakfast and Lunch) at any time during the school year. The application is available in the Main Office or available online (English version / Spanish version). If your family's financial circumstances change during the school year, please take advantage of this program. The application will require submission of income documentation. For more information, contact Silvia Torres at 847-949-2200 Ext. 1488.

Freshman Advisory Mundelein (FAM)

All 9th grade students will meet with their Freshman Advisory teacher on the first day of school during the first half of their lunch period. Freshmen should go to the room indicated on their schedule during their lunch period.

Health Requirements for the 2023-24 School Year

Prior to the start of this school year, **all 9th grade students** must have a completed school health examination (not a sports physical) with a full list of immunizations that show proof of having two (2) doses of the varicella vaccine or documented proof of having the disease (chicken pox) and a dental exam. (**Physical and Dental Exams are required for all ninth graders by the State of Illinois). All 12th grade students** must show proof of having received the 2nd meningococcal vaccine. All students must show proof of having two (2) doses of mumps and rubella vaccine. (This will show as two MMR's –measles, mumps, rubella- on their vaccine record). Please check your child's vaccine records. If a vaccine is needed, provide the nurse's office with documentation that the vaccination was given. For updated information, please view the MHS Nurses' webpage: https://www.d120.org/activities/health-services/

Lockers

Lockers are available to be assigned for the upcoming school year. Please email Diane Risdon at drisdon@d120.org if you would like to reserve a locker. We reserve the right to remove locks if entry into lockers is necessary. MHS is not responsible for items lost or stolen from lockers.

Meals & prepayment

Mundelein High School partners with Quest Food Management Services, Inc. to provide breakfast and lunch options for our students. If you would like to create an account so that your student does not have to use cash, please log into www.myschoolbucks.com. Students can then use their ID cards to pay for lunch, if funds have been placed into the account. Directions for adding funds to student ID cards here or on the MHS website under "STUDENTS" and "FOOD SERVICE".

Open House

Save the date to meet your students' teachers on **Tuesday**, **August 29**, **2023** from 5:30-8:30pm in the Auditorium.

Orientation for Freshman, transfer and new students

The Class of 2027, new students and transfer students will attend a very special orientation on **Friday**, **August 11 from 8:00am-2:00pm**. You will receive more information on bus routes if your child is assigned a bus during the school year. Parents are welcome to drop their students off at the main entrance. All guardians should have received <u>THIS</u> letter via mail. Reach out to <u>linkcrew@d120.org</u> if you have not received the parent letter. More information can be found <u>here.</u>

Parent Night for parents of Freshman, New and Transfer Students

Parents of incoming freshmen and transfer/new students are invited to attend parent night at MHS on **Wednesday**, **August 9 at 6pm**. Parents will get an overview of MHS. Students are not required to attend.

Parking Passes

All parking passes for the upcoming school year have been assigned. Email Joe Lendino at <u>ilendino@d120.org</u>.

PowerSchool

Power School is an essential tool for parents, students, and staff members at MHS. Many parents have found their access to real-time attendance and grades very beneficial in becoming more involved in their child's educational process. Power School also provides a great opportunity for parents to email teachers with specific questions. Passwords are the same for parents of returning students. Passwords for new students and incoming freshmen will be mailed home prior to Open House.

Registration Fair

Registration Fair for 2023-24 will be held at Carl Sandburg Middle School located at 855 W. Hawley St. on Thursday, August 3, 2023 from 8 - 11 a.m., 12 - 3 p.m., and 5-8 p.m and Friday, August 4, 2023 from 8 - 11 a.m. More information can be found here.

School Supplies

The following school supplies are recommended for all students.

- Calculator
- Colored folder per class
- Highlighters
- Pens and pencils
- 2 notebooks
- Earbuds or headphones



Student Schedules

All student course schedules have been emailed in July for <u>students who have completed the registration process</u>. If your child has not received a class schedule, the child may not be registered or registration is incomplete. For Registration questions, please call Patty DeLozier, (847)949-2700 ext. 2014. For questions regarding student schedules, please call the MHS Guidance Department (847)949-2200 ext. 1257.

Technology Campus

Classes at Lake County High Schools Technology Campus begin on **Wednesday, August 16.** If your son/daughter is attending Tech Campus this year, you will receive a letter from Mr. Buenik, Guidance Department Chair. Please contact Mr. Buenik at 847-949-2200 ext. 1262 if you have any questions.

Underclass Yearbook Photos

Picture day is **Wednesday**, **September 13.** All sophomores, juniors and any freshman not photographed during orientation will be photographed for the yearbook whether or not the photos are purchased. A retake and senior "yearbook only" day will take place in October. Access the VIP ordering instructions <u>here</u>.

Yearbook Pickup

Mark your calendar for yearbook pick-up through the school bookstore starting **Monday**, **August 7.** The school bookstore hours run Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., but the store is closed for lunch from 11 a.m. to noon. More information can be found at https://www.d120.org/yearbook-pick-up2/

See you on August 16!