

September 16, 2022

Mustang Families,

Take a moment to read through important information listed below as well as view some highlights throughout the week.

If you have any questions, please call the Main Office at 847-949-2200.



Sincerely,

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Important Information

Homecoming

It is officially homecoming week! Tickets for the dance are on sale now! Click to [purchase hoco tickets](#) and visit our [hoco week website](#)! Info is also listed below:

Spirit Days

Movie Day - Monday (any movie characters!)

Neon/Tie Dye - Tuesday

Nerds & Jocks - Wednesday

Pajama Day - Thursday

Spirit Day - Friday (Teachers are wearing our gray shirts)

Powder Puff Apparel - If any freshmen-junior students are asking you about powder-puff apparel, there will be extras sold at the Bookstore Tuesday on a first-come-first-serve basis and supplies are limited!

Homecoming Tickets - Selling on RevTrak and will be sold during all lunch periods on Monday.

Senior Girls Night - Accepting admission & apparel purchases at Wednesday's event! Students will need a permission slip if they buy admission at the door, which will be available in the main office Monday.

Alumni Tours

Mundelein High School students in the National Honor Society will host alumni tours at 10am on Saturday, September 24. Please complete [this form](#) if you are interested in participating.

Underclass Yearbook Photos

Picture day is **Wednesday, September 14**. 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 (Visual Image Photography) ordering instructions [here](#).

PSAT/NMSQT

Attention Juniors, important information [here](#) about the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test which will be administered at MHS on October 12, 2022.

Made in Your Own Backyard Tour 2022-October 5

District 120's Made in Your Own Backyard Event offers students across the district an opportunity to explore careers at local manufacturing companies in Lake County. Register here: [Made in Your Own Backyard Tour](#)

MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

"MADE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD" TOUR 2022

Wednesday, October 5, 6-8 p.m.

LASER PRECISION **MEYER**

The "Made in Your Own Backyard" Tour offers students and parents an opportunity to explore careers at local manufacturers in Lake County and to see what companies create right here in your community. Transportation will be provided and light refreshments will be served. The event is free but registration is required. For details, scan the QR code.



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MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTA

"TOUR DE HECHO EN SU PROPIO PATIO 2022

Miércoles, 5 de octubre, 6-8 p.m.

LASER PRECISION **MEYER**

La gira "Hecho en Su Propio Patio" ofrece a los estudiantes y padres la oportunidad de explorar carreras en fábricas locales en el condado de Lake y ver lo que crean las empresas aquí mismo en su comunidad. Se proporcionará transporte y se servirá una merienda ligera. El evento es gratis, pero se necesita registrarse. Para más detalles, escanee el código QR.



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October is Manufacturing Month!

During this month, there are several events to highlight manufacturing: What is it? What does it look like? What careers are available? What benefits are offered? [CLC Apprenticeship Awareness Program](#)



Rosh HaShanah & Yom Kippur

From September 25-27 some of our Jewish students will be observing Rosh HaShanah which marks the beginning of a 10-day period of introspection. It culminates with Yom Kippur, October 4-5 which requires a 24-hour fasting period and is the holiest day of the year in Judaism. Some students may participate in additional prayers and observances throughout these dates and may be more tired than usual. We recognize that some students may be absent during this time and may require additional time to turn in assignments. Students are encouraged to speak directly to their teacher if they will need additional time for assignments or alternate dates for assessments. To learn more, click [here](#) or [here](#) for additional information.



YouScience

Exciting news! Beginning this week, Mundelein High School freshman students began taking the YouScience assessment during their FAM (Freshman Advisory) sessions. We believe YouScience is a great way for students to learn more about

themselves, explore high-demand careers that are a good fit for them, and gain a better understanding of how their unique talents are needed in the economy. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about YouScience and what it means for your student.

Be a STEAMScholar!

The Illinois Tenth Congressional District STEAM Scholar Program is an exciting educational opportunity launched by Congressman Brad Schneider in 2018 for high school students in our community. The program aims to connect highly-motivated students interested in science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics with hands-on learning experiences throughout our district.

In the fall, students selected to participate in the STEAM Scholars program will have the opportunity to join Congressman Schneider on visits to four STEAM-related businesses and facilities during the 2022-2023 school year. On these visits, students will have the chance to participate in discussions with local employees, business owners, and educators, and learn more about the STEAM career opportunities in our backyard.

Student Recognition

National Hispanic Recognition Awardees

Congrats to **Diego Prado, Jared Reyes, Jose Salinas, Samantha Nevergall and Sharon Lantan** for receiving the College Board's National Hispanic Recognition academic honors award. Juniors are score eligible if they score in the top 10% on the PSAT/NMSQT by state in the eligible exam periods. Juniors are also score eligible if they score a 3 or higher on two or more distinct AP Exams in the eligible exam periods. Additionally, these students must have a 3.5 GPA or higher. We are extremely proud of our students who have achieved this recognition.



National Merit Scholar Semifinalists

We are thrilled to announce this year's National Merit semifinalists in the MHS class of 2023 are **Leila Moon, Samantha Nevergall and Ciara West!** Of the 1.5 million junior students around the world who take the PSAT/NMSQT exam, only 50,000 with the highest PSAT/NMSQT selection index scores qualify for recognition in the National Merit Scholarship Program. From there, around 16,000 students, or approximately one-third of the 50,000 high scorers, are notified that they have qualified as Semifinalists. Semifinalists are designated on a state-representational basis, and there are only 9 states

with higher cutoff scores than Illinois. Qualifying scores vary from state to state and from year to year, but the scores of all Semifinalists are extremely high. Well done!



Well done to all of our students and to our counseling team and college and career & readiness team who helps prepare them!



CCRC

Are you interested in attending the College of Lake County (CLC)? Ms. Patino is the CLC College and Career Navigator (CCN) at Mundelein High School. Stop by and see Ms. Patino in the CCRC Tuesdays-Fridays. As a CCN Ms. Patino is

here to offer support and assistance to any and all MHS students interested in CLC. Whether a student is interested in CLC for dual enrollment, personal enrichment, earning an associate degree, or interested in learning more about the various opportunities CLC offers students, Ms. Patino is here to help!

Thank you to those who attended Financial aid night on Zoom!

The CCRC has been packed with students attending college representative visits this week! Register for upcoming visits on [Naviance](#)! Here is a [calendar](#) with upcoming events.



Mizzou



Bradley University



Wesleyan University



University of Glasgow (Scotland)

Athletics

Girls Volleyball Coaches Corner - Calae Haire & Beth Willis

With huge wins over Antioch and Zion-Benton last week, the MHS Varsity volleyball team took on Grayslake North on Monday and won in 2 sets 26-24, 26-24. It was a well-fought game! The entire volleyball program is looking forward to homecoming week where our Mustangs play at Woodstock North on Monday and at home on Thursday against Stevenson. We will also see you in the Homecoming parade! Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for Varsity's Staff Appreciation Night, which will be held on Monday, September 26 at our home match against Wheeling. And our Cancer Awareness Night on October 3 against Libertyville. See you there!



**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL MATCH
CANCER AWARENESS NIGHT**

Monday, October 3 starting at 5:00 pm

Proceeds will go to the Lynn Sage Foundation

Mundelein vs Libertyville

**LYNN SAGE
CANCER RESEARCH
FOUNDATION**

Girls Cross Country - Coaches Corner - Carsyn Rodriguez













Boys Cross Country - Coaches Corner - Kurt Rutz

IT'S A GREAT WEEK TO BE A MUSTANG!

Report from the **Lamphier Invite** in Springfield: "Mundelein came out of nowhere!" We heard more than one coach say these words following our performance at Springfield. I guess I can't blame them. None of the previews even mentioned us as a team or our individuals. Extremely satisfying to hear other teams talk about us that way. What was the reason for these comments? Boys Varsity took a strong 3rd behind 2 tough teams. Plus, our freshman boys killed it, winning the team title. Javier Mata was the individual champion in the Varsity race, and Andrew Weaver was the individual champion in the Freshman race (Nathan McCreight took 2nd in Freshman race).

Report from the Zion-Benton & Waukegan meet: Following a strict race plan, we beat Z-B by a score of 24-33. Javier Mata, Tom Russ and Alberto Diaz took 2nd through 4th while Finn Keegan took 6th, and Andrew Weaver, Logan Ramirez and Nathan McCreight took 9th through 11th. Waukegan continued to build its program and while they fielded some runners, there were not enough to score the match-up.

Next Meets: The team travels to the **Warren Invitational** Saturday to run against teams from across Lake County. The team then returns to the home course on Tuesday, September 20th to dual against Carmel. Come check it out!









Transition Center Highlights

Ms. Julie Hupp, Ms. Michelle Banks, and our amazing MHS custodial crew (Kevin Quinn, Enrique Zavala, Ralph Gutierrez, and John Harjung) celebrated the opening of their Zen Den with a ribbon cutting ceremony on September 13. Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Souza decided it was time to practice Zen leadership.







Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month is observed from September 15-October 15 to recognize the achievements and contributions of Hispanic American champions who have inspired others to achieve success. During this month, our Puertas student organization will conduct announcements highlighting Hispanic contributions, our Teaching & Learning team will provide culturally relevant content for classroom integration that highlight Latin literature, history and art. Additionally, our Community Business Coordinator will also hold a Hispanic Heritage Career panel for all of our students. See [here](#) or [here](#) to learn more.





Students, Jollette Jimenez and Johana Maldonado sang Mexico's national anthem and danced "baile folklórico" to kick-off Hispanic Heritage month! Ms. Carsyn Rodrigue and Ms. Joanna Rodriguez are the sponsors of our student organization, Puertas, this year.

Art Fest

Congratulations to our Art Award Winners from the Mundelein Art Festival who received a combined \$1000 award from MFAF. The annual arts and craft show features exhibits from MHS and Carmel High School students alongside professional artists.











Yearbook Highlight

After finishing their games against Zion Benton High School, Diya Patel '24, Sreya Kannappan '25, Sara Choi '25, and Nishita Kumar '25 watch the remaining Mustangs crush their sets." - Holly Scaramella '25



Picture taken by Samantha Machado '25

Community Night





















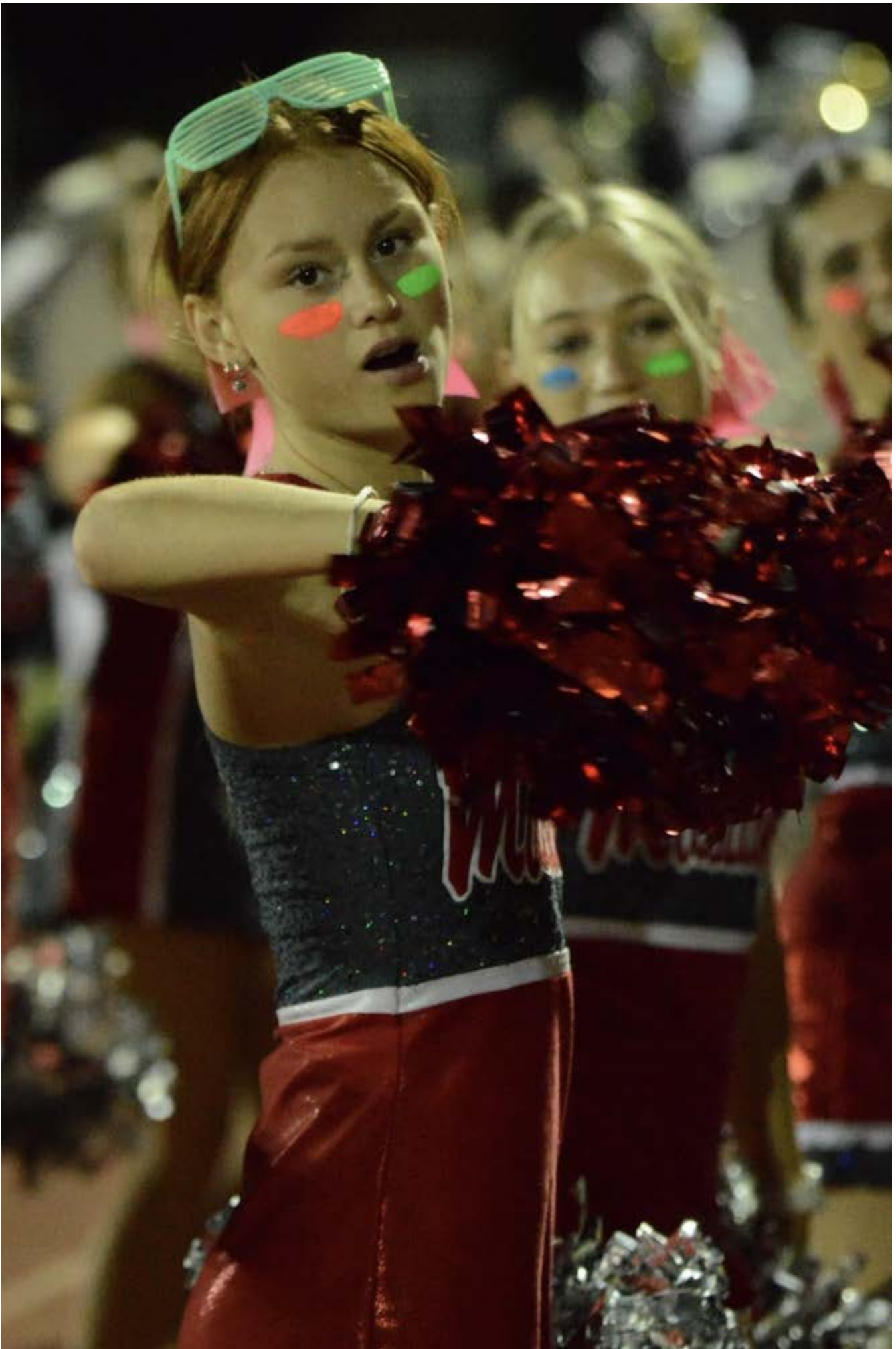














Previous Reminders

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. See below for more information.

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 for Sept 16 is available at
https://mundypride.blogspot.com/2022/09/principals-blog-mustang-news_16.html