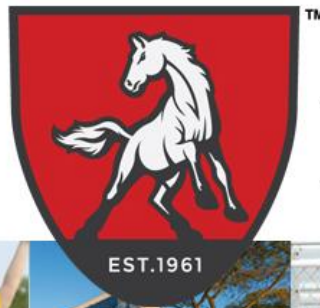


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MHS CORE VALUES: EQUITY GROWTH COLLABORATION

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 3, 2023

Mustang News: Principal's Blog

We are very busy here at MHS, making our way through Semester 2 and working hard to ensure each student's success!

“If winter comes, can spring be far behind?”

— Percy Bysshe Shelley, Ode to the West Wind

GET READY TO MARCH INTO SPRING



In partnership,

Dr. Alexandria Rios Taylor

Principal

847-949-2200 x1230

ataylor@d120.org

[Friday Focus](#)

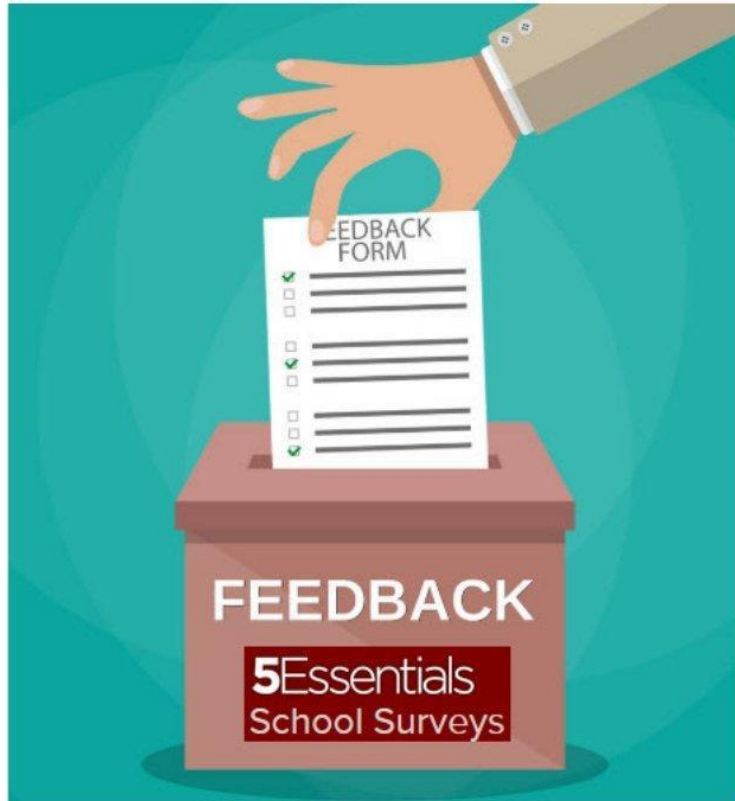
MHS 2023-2024 Registration is Now Open

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](#).

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.

National School Social Work Week: March 5 – 11, 2023

Join us in celebrating our Social Workers this week as a part of National School Social Work Week!

The Role of A Social Worker

(Adapted from the School Social Work Association of America)

School social workers are exceptionally skilled in providing services to students who face serious challenges to school success, including disability, poverty,

discrimination, abuse, neglect, mental illness, homelessness, bullying, familial stressors, and other barriers to learning.

School mental health programs are critical to the early identification of mental health problems and in the provision of appropriate services when needed. They maintain knowledge of school culture and school climate which are necessary for responsible school safety planning.

School social workers serve as vital members of a school's education team, playing a central role in creating partnerships between the home, school, and community to ensure student academic success.

The theme for National School Social Work Week 2023 is "We Rise." School Social Workers rise up - supporting their students, families, and school communities. School Social Workers rise to share hope. They rise to listen and understand. They rise to challenge inequities. They rise to support all students.

Visit <https://www.sswaa.org/school-social-work-week> for more information.

We are so excited to celebrate the vital work these professionals do for our students at MHS every day!

Michelle Billone, Melissa Buenik, Amy Grost, Jonathan Mahoney, and Carly Schwartz.

THANK YOU for the important work you do with our students.



Student Recognition

Mock Trial performed at the Lake County Invitational on Saturday. Bailey Atleson received an Outstanding Attorney Award and Evan Brown received an Outstanding Attorney Award and an Outstanding Witness Award. The whole team did a fantastic job!



Staff Recognition

Congratulations to Dr. Alexandria Taylor on completing her EdD from Aurora University!



Class of 2023 Important Information

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



Student Life

Common Ground Culture Fair

Come celebrate the many cultures of Mundelein at Mundelein High School's annual cultural fair, Common Ground! Our evening portion is open to the whole community on Friday, March 3rd (TONIGHT!) at 4pm. Common Ground contains booths with cultural artifacts, music, a buffet-style dinner, multiple raffle baskets, and performances ranging from student-played musical pieces, as well as cultural dances. Show starts at 7pm in the auditorium. It's a night you don't want to miss! Bring your friends and family. All are welcome to celebrate Mundelein's diversity with us!

Family Engagement

Members of our Student Services staff hosted a “Family Wellness Night” on Thursday, February 23rd. We were thrilled to connect with families about supporting student mental health at home and at school. Our presentations are linked below and will be posted on the Student Services webpage. If you have questions about this content, please reach out to:

English: Marisa Graham, School Psychologist: mgraham@d120.org
Carly Schwartz, Social Worker: cschwartz@d120.org;

Spanish: Aracely Lawrence, Counselor: alawrence@d120.org
Gwen Lopez, Counselor: glopez@d120.org

Presentation in English: [HERE](#)

Presentation in Spanish: [HERE](#)



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Parent Network Night

Target audience: Parents of D120 students that have an IEP and parents of students that will feed into Mundelein High School that have an IEP.

Padres de estudiantes que tienen un IEP de D120 y de escuelas que se matricularán en la MHS

What: Parent Network Night. *Que: Noche de red para Padres*

Presentation will be: What you will find at MHS when your student arrives. It is an opportunity to meet and greet with other parents.

Lo que usted encontrara en MHS cuando su estudiante llegue aqui es una oportunidad de conocer y saludar otros padres

When: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. *Miercoles 15 de Marzo*

Where: Mundelein High School - District Meeting Room. *Mundelein High School - Distrito*

Enter main entrance, DMR is up the stairs by the media center. Entrar por la entrada principal y subir las escaleras

Kindly, RSVP on or before Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Por favor confirme su asistencia antes del 8 de Marzo

<https://forms.gle/UNKj3j5Es143LaMq7>





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](https://www.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 [here](#) for a quick one pager or visit our [Facilities Plan website](#).



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

Financial Aid Award Comparison Workshop

Need help understanding your financial aid
award letters?

Come to the CCRC-B105 for help!

Tuesday, March 7th
3rd & 4th

Wednesday, March 8th
5th & 6th

Register in Naviance

WEEK OF EVENTS

13-17
MAR
2023

MON. 03/13

9:30AM | CLC COLLEGE REP VISIT

Join your College and Career Navigator (CCN) to learn more about all the options available at CLC. Learn about degree options, fields of interest, study abroad options, and so much more!

1:45PM | APPLICATION WORKSHOP

Interested in applying to CLC? Do you have questions on how to apply? Having trouble navigating the application process? Stop by CCRC where your CCN will be available to walk you through the application process and the next step

TUE. 03/14

11:15AM | APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

Did you know you could get paid on the job experience while you earn your degree? Learn if an apprenticeship is the right step for you and have your questions answered by a member of the CLC Apprenticeships team.

12:05PM | ENGINEERING AT CLC

Are you interested in pursuing an Engineering or Computer Science degree at CLC? Stop by the CCRC to learn about the National Science Foundation and scholarship opportunities that come with acceptance to this prestigious program. Information will also be provided on the CLC Pathways Program.

WED. 03/15

9:30AM | DENTAL HYGIENE

The Dental Hygiene program prepares students for a rewarding career as a licensed dental hygienist. Stop by the CCRC to learn more about the limited enrollment Dental Hygiene program at CLC

11:15AM | NURSING AT CLC

Are you looking to pursue a degree in nursing? Come to the CCRC to learn about the Associate Degree in Nursing offered by College of Lake County. You'll learn about the requirements to join this limited enrollment program and have your questions answered.

12:55 | MEDICAL IMAGING

The Medical Imaging Program at CLC is a limited enrollment program that offers students the opportunity to join an exciting and challenging field. Stop by the CCRC to learn about the entrance requirements and have your questions answered.

THUR. 03/16

10:25AM | AUTOMOTIVE COLLISION REPAIR

In the Automotive Collision Repair, students will learn to use paints, high-tech spray guns, and other tools. This program prepares students for positions and car and truck dealerships, auto body shops, and more! Stop by the CCRC to learn about this program, degrees, and certificate options

11:15AM | INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

In the Industrial Technology program students learn how to install, maintain, operate, diagnose, and repair equipment used in manufacturing industries and maintain facilities/buildings. Stop by to learn how to get started in the Industrial Technologies Program

12:05 | WELDING FABRICATION TECHNOLOGY

Welding Fabrication Technology prepares students for employment and advancement in welding-related jobs performing welding, soldering and brazing duties. Stop by the CCRC to learn about this in-demand program housed out of the Advanced Technology Center!

FRI. 03/17

ALL DAY | FIRST SEMESTER ADVISING

Ready to get started at CLC? Stop by the College and Career Resource Center to meet with your College and Career Navigator. Together, you and your CCN will develop a plan for your first-semester classes. Beat the rush, get advised now! All advised students will be given a free CLC t-shirt!

CONTACT YOUR COLLEGE AND CAREER NAVIGATOR

Yazmin Patino
847/543-3524
ypatino@clcillinois.edu
MHS CCRC (B105)
Tuesday-Friday 7:30am-4:00pm



College Visits

Tuesday, March 7th	Class period
University of Kansas	2nd

Saint Mary's College	8th
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Vednesday, March 8th	Class period
University of Illinois Chicago	1st
University of Arizona	2nd
Oklahoma State University- Main Campus	3rd
University of Louisville	4th

Thursday, March 9th	Class period
Blackburn College	4th
Bradley University	5th
Northern Michigan University	7th

Scholarships

2023

**Patrick Zepeda Athlete in Service Award
\$1,000**

Patrick Zepeda was the father of former, current, and future Mustang Athletes. Patrick could often be seen cheering for his children on the football field, softball field, and basketball or volleyball court. He was known for always offering a helping hand and as a lifelong sports lover; he came to adopt the Mustangs as “his team.” This scholarship honors his legacy of service and athleticism.



Requirements:

- 1st Generation College Student
- Current Mundelein High School Senior
- Mundelein High School Athlete
- Attending accredited 4 year university next year
- Coach's Recommendation Letter **or** Attached Form
- Complete the essay below:

How have you impacted your home or community through service?

Submit your essay, recommendation, and the attached cover sheet to Ms. Bogseth at the MHS CCRC (B105)

by 1pm Friday, March 10, 2023.



**The James Martin Associates Scholarship
\$1,000**

This scholarship is open to a MHS Senior who is intending to pursue a degree in the **green** industry.

Applicants must enroll in a 2 or 4 year institution and be pursuing a career in the green industry.

Scholarship Deadline: **1pm Tuesday, March 14, 2023**
Please return all materials to the MHS CCRC (B105)

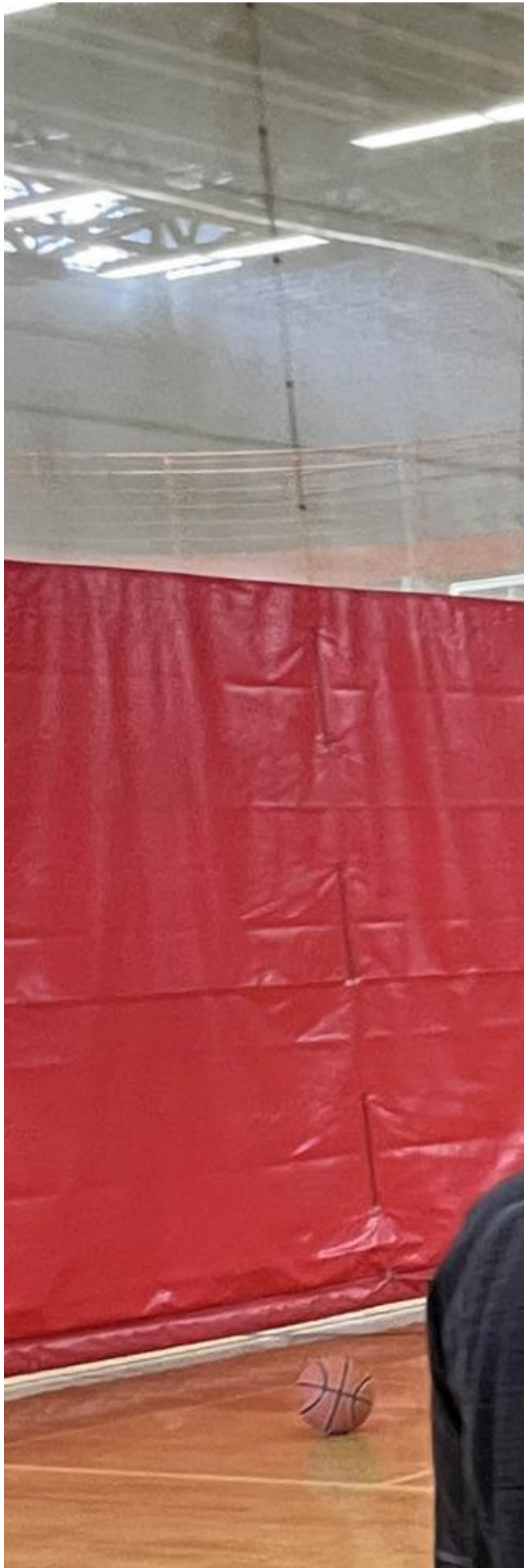


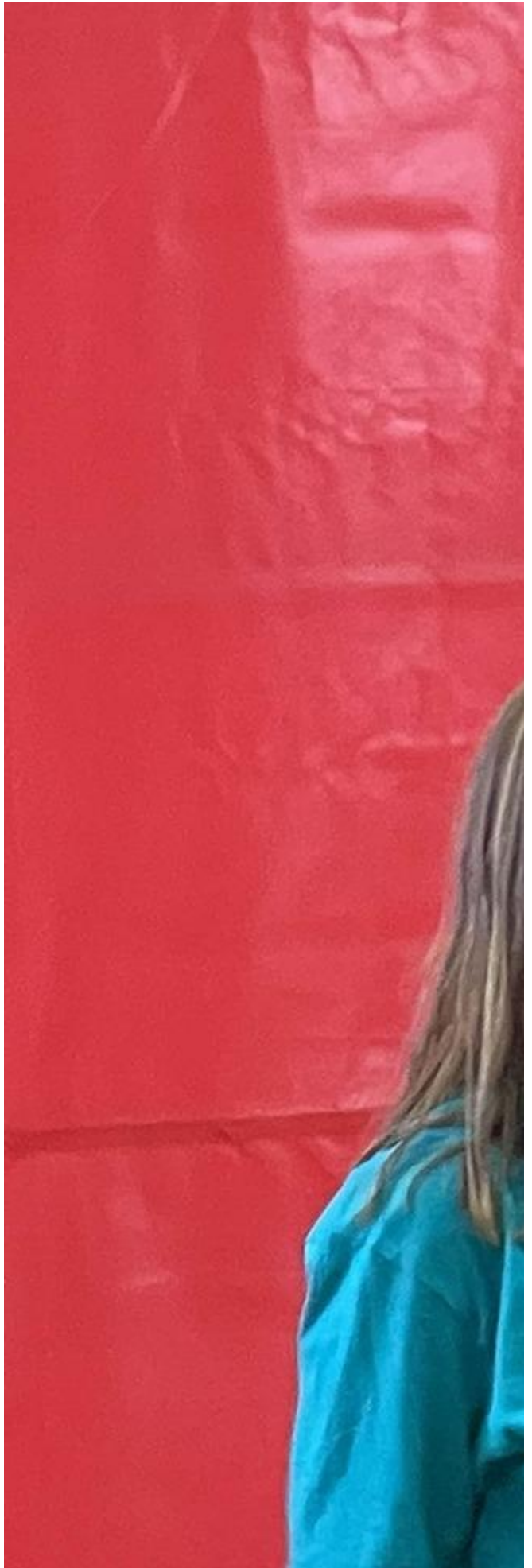
Athletics

Special Olympics Coaches Corner

Let's hear it for our MHS Special Olympics Basketball team! The team is heading to the state tourney next week for the first time. Led by Coaches Eric Billittier and Krissy Pawlicki, the group will be honored with a traditional State Walk at the high school on Thursday morning next week.

Get more on the story on our website: <http://bit.ly/3IMvo0s>





Boys Swim/Dive Coaches Corner

Our boys swimming and diving season came to an end last weekend at the IHSA state swimming and diving meet. Congratulations to Johnny Anno on finishing 20th in diving and to Edwin Serrano on finishing 21st in the 200 free.



Girls Track & Field Coaches Corner

Congratulations to this week's Athletes of the Week: Hannah L. (Coaches) and Paige P. (Captains)! Keep up the great work!



Tie-dye and “Never have I ever” for fun Friday!



Great fun [@SHSPatRiot](https://www.instagram.com/SHSPatRiot/)! Thank you for hosting us! 3rd overall and so many great performances!



A great day at Stevenson And... our coaches have the best sock game around!



Boys Track & Field Coaches Corner

Yesterday's meet was everything we expected it to be. We had a number of strong performances of our own.

I was particularly proud of our 4 x 800 relay team. Made up completely of freshmen, they were thrown to the wolves, so to speak. The foursome of Elijah Mendoza, Nathan McCreight, Kessler Magrow, and Nathaniel Mendez all ran in the low to mid 2:20's, and ran well below their seed time.

Also in the distances, Tom Russ broke 11 in the 3200 for the first time, and Logan Ramirez and Mariano Rodriguez both PRd in the 800, with both runners dropping big chunks of time from last week. Javier Mata and Alberto Diaz run under 4:50 in the 1600, with Alberto dropping 8 seconds from his PR.

Lots of PRs in the sprints. Both Marcel Siepko and Reece Cruz PRd in the 60m, with Marcel taking 18th in a really strong. Nico Osorio and Ian Murray both PRd in the 400, and Julian Eagar ran great in the 200m, with a PR of 23.99 and taking 11th overall. Maybe the best sprint performance came in the 4 x 400 relay, as Nick Selimos contributed a 57.2 leg, top 400 of the season so far.

In the Field Events, Chris Martin added 2 feet to his PR in the Triple Jump. Top finish of the night though goes to the Big Guy, Brandon Hansen. Hansen took 2nd in the Shot Put with a throw of 14.97m from the power position.

Girls Softball Coaches Corner

MHS Softball tryouts have begun and we have over 50 girls planning to participate! We were so happy to get outside on the turf this week and get some drills in. Our program will be volunteering at Feed My Starving Children in Libertyville on Saturday. Our varsity and JV teams plan to travel to Bloomington, Illinois the weekend of March 18th for campus visits at Illinois State University, Illinois Wesleyan University, and Heartland Community College. We will wrap up the weekend with games at Illinois Wesleyan University's softball field vs. Bloomington High School and Rock Island High School. Go Mustangs!



Boys Volleyball Coaches Corner

Tryouts for Boys Volleyball will begin March 6 immediately after school until 6:00 pm in the Main Gym. In order to participate in tryouts, all student-athletes must have a physical on file with the school nurse. Please be sure to register online on the Athletic Department Home page. We are looking forward to the season! Go Mustangs!

Fundraiser

MHS Cheerleading is selling yard signs this spring! Support you MHS Student Athlete or customize for your Students activity. Also NEW Senior Yard signs available for your MHS Grad! Online Store Opens Monday February 27 and closes after two weeks. See online store for additional information about pick up of signs and cost. Make sure to order your sign before time runs out. Go Mustangs! [Online Store Link](#)



YARD SIGN SALE

SUPPORT YOUR MHS STUDENT



CUSTOMIZE YOUR SIGN

Options include:
Varsity
Name/ Team number

CHOOSE YOUR SPORT/ACTIVITY:

All Sports, Theater, Show Choir, Band, and more!

PICK UP/ SHIPPING DETAILS:

-Select Ship to home
OR
-Pick Up from Ultimate Screen Printing

Signs start at \$23, options cost \$2 each



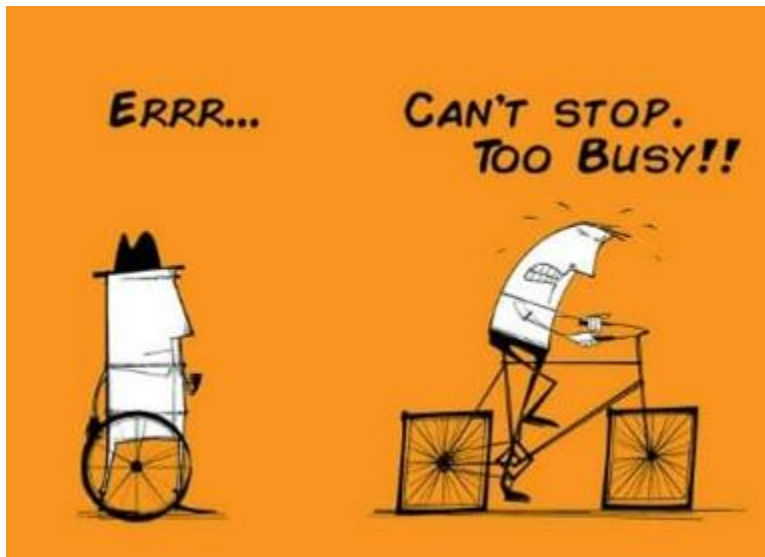
**ONLINE STORE
OPENS FEB 27**



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

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



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.**

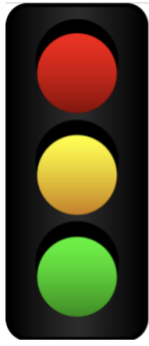
Attendance

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 (*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 is available weekly at
<http://mundypride.blogspot.com/>