

MHS NEWS - February 26th, 2016

Upcoming Dates

- 2/27 - MHS Winter Ball - 7:00-10:00 pm
- 2/29 - Spring Sports Information Night, MHS Gym - 6pm
- 3/1 - Project Graduation Meeting, Library - 6pm
- 3/3 - Class of 2020 Curriculum/Activity Orientation evening - 5pm
- 3/4 - Unified Basketball Post Season Game - TBA
- 3/9 - Prom Project / East Cafe - 2-4pm
- 3/14 - Grades K-9 Standards-Based Diploma Mtng - 6:30pm
- 3/14 -3/16 - Talent Show Auditions - 2pm

Updates for all MHS Parents/Guardians:

Course selection sheets are due for 2016-2017!! If your son/daughter has not yet turned one in, please have them turn it into Guidance ASAP to ensure placement in classes. Thanks!

Does your child need eye glasses and:

- Is age 19 or younger?
- Has no vision insurance, including government programs, for routine eyecare?
- Family income is at or under 200 % of federal poverty guidelines?

If you meet the above qualifying criteria, please contact Nancy Sobanik, School Nurse (Tel. 247-3141, ext. 2215). Certificates for an eye exam and a pair of glasses through "VSP Sight for Students" are available to help.

Massabesic Prom Project - Need a dress for prom? Come to the Massabesic Prom Project on Wednesday, March 9th. This annual event will be held in the East Building cafeteria from 2:00-4:00 pm. Dresses are available in limited styles, colors, and sizes. Come take a look at our large selection of new and like-new gowns. Limit of one dress per person.

Can you sing? Can you dance? Do you have a hidden talent? If your son/daughter does, insist that they come try out to be in the MHS Talent Show. The show is hosted by Culture Club and sign up sheets are located outside of Ms. Hunter's and Mrs. Chamoff's rooms. Auditions will be held the 14th through 16th of March after school in Ms. Hunter's room! Hope to see you there!

MHS Theater will be hosting an open dress rehearsal of "Murder Box" by Reid Conrad for staff and students on Thursday, March 3rd after school. You are welcome to pop in at anytime between 2-4pm to see our show and how theater works. We ask that you be a quiet attentive audience. The first run through should start by 2:20. The show runs about 35 minutes. We hope to get through the show twice. The MHS theater group will be going to the Regional One Act competition at Marshwood High School on Friday, March 4th to perform "Murder Box" by Reid Conrad. Shows are open to the public for a small admission cost. Shows run under 40 minutes each. Audience members are asked to come to the whole set of Shows as times can vary. The Friday night lineup is...6:30p, Traip Academy.....*Pretty Trap*, and 7:30pm Massabesic.....*Murder Box*, and 8:30pm Old Orchard Beach...*Lockdown*.

*Murder Box will be performed at MHS the following week for "Mustang Nation!"

Parents/Guardians of students in grades K- 9, we have an upcoming Standards Based Diploma meeting being held on Monday, March 14th at 6:30 pm in the Massabesic High School Auditorium. K-9 parents/guardians are encouraged to attend. If you are interested in our district's next steps in implementing a Standards-Based Diploma for high school graduates. RSU 57 Administration will share timelines and updates on the implementation of these new state & district requirements. There have been some suggested changes to previous recommendations approved by the RSU 57 Curriculum Committee and this new information can be found on our school's webpage starting on Feb 29th. We hope to see you on March 14th.

Guidance Info

Are you interested in learning more about NCAA eligibility? The Guidance dept. now has a web page with useful information that could impact your son or daughter's eligibility to compete in athletics at a Division I or Division II college. Go to <https://goo.gl/1pxnYM> for to review this important information!

SRTC will be offering a new Law Enforcement program, starting this coming Fall as follows:

Law Enforcement I [AM Session] (4 credits)

Law Enforcement is a one-year program that provides students with the opportunities to prepare for employment in occupations related to the law enforcement industry. Students receive similar instruction to students in the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and learn about Defensive Tactics, Drill & Ceremony, Criminal Investigations, Domestic Violence, Use of Force, Low-Risk & High Risk Vehicle Stops, Crash Investigations, OUI Investigations, Handcuffing, Report Writing, etc. Physical Fitness training is also an important component of the program. The Law Enforcement Program sets high standards and expectations with emphasis on: *Professionalism, Discipline, Respect, Ethics, Integrity and Team Work.*

Students who would like to attend the Sanford Regional Technical Center (SRTC) next year need to apply by **March 11, 2016**. Students apply on the SRTC website, under the admissions link - <http://sanford.mainecte.org/admissions/> Typically, students apply their sophomore year of high school as most programs are two year programs, which students participate their junior and senior years; however, a few programs are offered for only one year and juniors might consider applying for a one year program. For more information about what is offered at SRTC, please check out their website: <http://sanford.mainecte.org/>.

MHS AP Students and Families...If your son/daughter paid their \$25.00 deposit, for each AP exam they are taking at the beginning of the school year then they carry a balance of \$66.00 for each of those AP exams. If they did not pay the deposit then the full exam fee of \$91.00 is needed. There are fee waivers for students/families receiving free and reduced lunch where the fee goes down to \$12.00 per exam. **These fees were due this week. If you have a question please contact Mr. Raymond ASAP at neilraymond@rsu57.org.**

Student Spotlight

Congratulations go to Senior ***Tyus Sprague Ripley*** who has been selected to participate in the 2016 Maine McDonald's High School, Senior All-Star Basketball Games. Way to go Tyus!!

Congratulations go to ***Abigail Theobald*** for being chosen this year's Maine Youth Leadership 2016 Seminar Representative and to Emily Cyr for being chosen as our "alternate". Well-deserved ladies!

Our MHS ***Boys Varsity Basketball Team*** earned their first ever trip to the Regional basketball finals during this past February Break! Great job Gentleman!

Leo Amabile placed second at the New England Qualifier and will compete in the New England Championships on March 4th and 5th in Providence Rhode Island. Great job Leo!

The Massabesic Girls Swim Team had a fine winter break. On Saturday the 13th our girls competed at the state championships, placing 6th out of 23 teams. The 200 yard Medley relay of Elaine Dudley, Joanna LaFrance, Sophia LaFrance, and Amanda Dudley placed 4th overall and broke the school record. In the 100 yard freestyle Joanna LaFrance placed 12th, in the 500 yard freestyle Amanda Dudley placed 6th, and in the 400 Free relay the team of Amanda Dudley, Elaine Dudley, Joanna LaFrance, and Sophia LaFrance placed 5th also breaking the school record. Super job ladies!

Elaine Dudley has become one of the most decorated swimmers in Massabesic HS Swimming history. She accomplished this by staying undefeated in the 200 yard freestyle for 2 years, winning states in that event for the 2nd time this year, while also becoming the state champion in the 100 yard freestyle, breaking the school record in that event. PHEW & WOW!

On Monday the 15th The Massabesic Boys Swim Team competed at states as follows: In the 50 free style Cale Fuschillo placed 12th, in diving Jacob Bixby placed 5th, in the 100 yard freestyle Caleb Fuschillo placed 11th, in the 200 yard freestyle relay the team of Nathan Messier, Joel VanTassell, Ryan Burke and Caleb Fuschillo placed 8th, and in the 400 free relay Nathan Messier, Ryan Burke, Joel VanTaseel, and Caleb Fuschillo placed 10th overall. Nice job Gentleman!!

This past Saturday the Boys swim team then competed at the makeup for the Boys Southwesterns Championships. Our team placed 4th overall with top finishes going to Ryan Burke 2nd in the 200 yard freestyle, Joel VanTassell 3rd in the 200 yard free style, Caleb Fuschillo 1st in the 50 and 100 yard freestyle, Jacob Bixby 2nd in Diving and Hunter Tarbox 5th in the 100 yard butterfly. In relays the team of Jacob Bixby, Hunter Tarbox, Joel VanTassell, and Josh Castonguay placed 4th, and in the 400 free relay the team of Hunter Tarbox, Joel VanTassell, Nathan Messier, and Ryan Burke placed 3rd overall. Well done!

Congratulations go to our Boys Ice Hockey team for making the playoffs for the first time in ten years! Well done!!

MHS Department Highlights

Technology Education

Classes in the Tech.Ed department are fully engaged in various activities. Students involved in the woods lab are drawing up plans for their projects, doing bills of material and taking safety tests in preparation for starting hands on work in the woods lab. In the graphics lab, Creative Graphics students are designing and creating memo pads; while the students in Advanced Graphics are almost ready to silkscreen their t-shirt designs. In the metals lab, the Metals I students are currently exploring sheet metal with a project designed to sharpen students skills working with sheet metal, along with the organizational skills required to successfully complete the project. The Metals II class has covered the operation and maintenance of the MIG welders and will begin practicing welding as soon as they pass their safety tests. Last but not least, in the drafting lab beginners are learning the basics of drafting while our more advanced students are using the AutoCad program to produce their drawings. The AutoCad program will allow the transfer of some of their 3D drawings to the 3D printer to make a 3-dimensional copy. Our Technology Ed Labs continue to provide opportunities for our students to gain valuable hands-on and problem solving skills.

Music Department

Over the past few weeks the music department has been very busy! In January our students had a wonderful time performing at the District Honors Festival. The choral department also had a great time at the UNH Choral Gala with their hard work really paying off. Recordings of the performance are up on the MHS Choral Website if you are interested in hearing them!

In the beginning of February our Chamber Singers went to Massabesic Middle School to work with and sing with their chorus. Choral students are now starting to put together their program for their Spring Concert in May. While band students are also working hard for their concert on March 22nd, 7PM in the Auditorium.



Athletic Announcements

Spring Sports Meet the Coaches Informational Meeting

Spring Sports Information Night will be Monday, February 29th at 6pm beginning in the MHS Gym at 6pm. All students participating in a spring sport and a parent or guardian are expected to attend.

Online Signs up through RevTrak have begun and will run through the first week in April. Spring Sports begin Monday 3/28 at MHS with Pitchers and Catchers for baseball and softball begins on 3/21.

Thanks for reviewing the above information!