

## **MHS NEWS - September 8th, 2017**

### **Upcoming Dates**

9/11 - MHS Open House 5:15-6:15 pm

9/15 - WGME Good Shepherd Food Bank Broadcast 5:30-7:30am

**9/15 - Add/Drop for Semester 1 classes ends**

9/16 - 10th Annual Mustang 5K, Registration begins at 8:30am

9/29 - Homecoming Game

9/30 - Homecoming Dance

***WELCOME BACK!!!!***

**Reminder--Early Release times for the 17/18 school year is now at 11:45 a.m.**

**On Monday, September 11th will be having our OPEN HOUSE from 5:15-6:16pm.**

**Class of 2021 students and parents!** We're looking forward to spending the next four years getting to know you and working with you. Homecoming is coming up, so we'll be looking for lots of students to volunteer to help decorate the freshman hallway for Homecoming Week. We'd also love to see your MHS pride and hope to have lots of members of the Class of 2021 participating in the Homecoming Week activities in the last week of September!

For those of you who like to check things off your to-do list, you can pay your class dues with a one-time payment of \$50 at anytime during the 2017-2018 school year. Dues can be paid with cash or check made out to MHS Class of 2021 and should be delivered to Mrs. Smith or Mrs. Paradis, your class advisors.

Please be on the lookout for upcoming fundraisers and correspondences from your freshman class officers & advisors. Here's to a great freshman year!

**Class of 2019** - Homecoming is just around the corner and we will need help decorating and organizing the dance. Please listen for announcements regarding volunteer opportunities! Also, don't forget to pay your class dues. See any of your class officers, or Mrs. Harmon and Mrs. Leclerc, with payments and questions.

**On Tuesday, Freshman Step-Up Day was a great success!** Freshman students were able to go through their entire schedule of classes, meet all their teachers, get their pictures taken, and find all their classrooms. The students and staff ate lunch together in the cafeteria, then the Freshman Teams competed in a scavenger hunt, locating important locations around the campus, such as the Tech Help Center and various club advisors. Congratulations to Team Katahdin for winning the scavenger hunt, and thank you to the students and staff who helped make Tuesday great!

**Next Friday, September 15th, we are hosting the WGME 13 / Good Shepherd Food Bank School Spirit Challenge.** WGME 13 will broadcast from MHS starting at 5:30am and will have cut ins throughout the morning until 7am live from the MHS West Gym. These events will be happening each Friday morning at different high schools across the state. The School Spirit Challenge is a friendly competition between each school participating and each school is asked to collect non-perishable food items. The school that collects the most items by weight is the winner and receives a trophy and other prizes as well as a great deal of Publicity on WGME 13 and Fox 23.

We have from now until October 28th to collect food! We will collect the food items during the day in the modular classroom outside of my office near the Gym Entrance to MHS. There is also a virtual food drive on the Good Shepherd Food Bank Web Site and MHS has its own drive set up there. The website link is [www.gsfb.org](http://www.gsfb.org) and the MHS link to donate to our drive directly is <https://www.gsfb.org/donate/vfd/599>. We are planning to fill the gym with Mustang Green! All of our Fall Teams will be present and in their jerseys. Our boosters plan to support our kids who attend with breakfast. Our cheerleaders will be there

to get everyone fired up and student council will have some of our famous pep rally games ready to go. It should be a fun morning with lots of excitement and positive energy at MHS. All MHS students are invited to attend and you may just end up on TV!

Please donate to the cause either online or with items you can bring to school during the time period described. I will have the Mod open during the school day while staff is here working. Students can drop off items during the day. If parents or others want to donate please connect with me and I will make arrangements for that to happen. You can also donate online through the links above. If you would like to help support the boosters for this event you can reach out to our booster president Jen Russell at [jenniferrussell@rsu57.org](mailto:jenniferrussell@rsu57.org).

**Navy Junior Officers Training Corps Program (NJROTC) is hosting a New Cadet Orientation (NCO)** for first year cadets on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. New cadets will receive a basic understanding of responsibility, accountability, benefits of NJROTC, competition, trust, obedience, respect and history of the unit. This program is designed to motivate and initiate a unity between cadets that are new to the program. During the NCO, cadets will participate in the POW/MIA Memorial Observance at Gowen Park in Sanford. Cadets will learn the importance of being a responsible citizen through acts of community service.

## **Club News**

**Interested in participating in a club and helping to recycle?!** The Zero Waste Club is looking for you! Any freshman who was a member at the Middle School should consider joining. We need your ideas and enthusiasm. A meeting will be held next week during advisory to discuss our plan for the year. Listen for the announcements and please see Mrs. Harmon in Room 27 West with any questions!

**The Civil Right Team is having its first meeting** on September 14 during advisory in room 4 East Building. Come and find out about our mission, activities, Statewide training and Spring conference. We promote a welcoming and safe environment for all students at MHS. Advisor: Mrs. Foss

**MHS Theatre is gearing up for a great season.** The first meeting for all those interested in being involved will be Monday, September 11 from 2-4pm. We will hold a fun improv game session on Tuesday, September 12 from 2-3:30 and a practice monologue session on Thursday, September 14 from 2-3:30. Our fall production will be "A Seussified Christmas Carol" by Peter Bloedel and auditions will be held on Monday, September 18th from 2-6pm. You may sign up for an audition time outside the Auditorium on the MHS information board. FMI, contact Mrs. Leavitt at [CatherineLeavitt@rsu57.org](mailto:CatherineLeavitt@rsu57.org).

**The MHS math team will hold its first practice of the year on Tuesday, September 12th**, in room 8E from 2-3. The math team is a terrific club to get involved with if you like problem-solving and math. We have five regional competitions from October to March and a state meet in April. Students on math team learn and review concepts and discover efficient problem-strategies which also help with math classes and SAT preparation. We practice on Tuesdays and everyone is welcome. See Mrs. Blair in 8E with any questions.

**The first Culture Club meeting for the year is on Wednesday, September 13th** during Advisory block in Mrs. Chamoff's room 16 W. All are welcome! All former members need to contact their advisor prior to coming to the meeting and all new members need to get a pass from Mrs. Chamoff prior to the meeting. Happy New Year!

**The Massabesic Cross Country teams are hosting the Mustang 5k on Saturday, September 16th** at 10am. This will be our 10th annual race. This 3.1 mile race will be held rain or shine, starting at MHS and ending on our beautiful new track. It is open to anyone who can run/walk/jog/crawl the course!! The cost is \$15 and the first 100 registered will get a free race t-shirt! There will be age group awards (Woody's Gift Cards), raffles and great free refreshments after the race. The race flyer is attached.

**The Yearbook Staff is running a Back To School sale!** When you order your yearbook and add on personalization, you can get up to FOUR icons for FREE. This sale ends Sept. 29th. Icons are \$4 each after this date. You can order online ([jostens.com](http://jostens.com) or by visiting the MHS home webpage) or can pick up an order form outside room 6 in the West building or room 26 in the East building. Order forms must be hand delivered to Mrs. Stephenson or dropped off in the designated drop box outside room 6 in the WEST by 1:30 on Friday, September 29th to take part in the sale.

As always, you can set up a payment plan online. Books need to be purchased by February vacation, so there's plenty of time, but don't wait until it's too late!

## **Guidance Info**

**Reminder: Add/Drop for semester one courses** at MHS ends September 15th. If schedule changes are needed, students are to make an appointment through their Advisory teacher.

**PSAT testing** will be held on October 11th.

**Seniors - If you plan to retake your SAT's on November 4th, register by October 5th at [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org).**

**Seniors - If you plan to take the ACT's on October 28th, register by September 22nd at [actstudent.org](http://actstudent.org).**

**Do you plan to apply to one of the United States Military Academies for college?** If so, attending the Service Academy Workshop on September 12th at the Clarion Hotel in Portland from 6:00-8:00 PM is recommended. See the attached flyer for more details.

## **Athletic Update**

### **Athletic Announcements 9-8 through 9-15**

#### **Friday 9/8**

Girls Soccer @ Windham	4pm V - 4pm JV
Varsity Football @ So Portland	7 pm

#### **Saturday 9/9**

Cross Country – Southern Maine Classic @ Narragansett School, Gorham	11 am
Field Hockey vs Kennebunk	10am V – 11:30am JV
Boys Soccer vs Cheverus	7pm V – 5pm JV

#### **Monday 9/11**

Girls Soccer vs Cheverus	6 pm V – 4:15 JV
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#### **Tuesday 9/12**

Boys Soccer vs Deering	6pm V – 4:15 JV
Golf @ Marshwood @ The Links	3:30 pm @ Outlook
Volleyball vs TA @ MMS	6:00 pm V – 4:30 JV

**Wednesday 9/13**

No MHS games

**Thursday 9/14**

Boys Soccer @ So Portland	6 pm V – 4 pm JV
1 <sup>st</sup> team Field Hockey vs Falmouth	4 pm
Golf @ Sanford @ Sanford Ctry Club	3:30 pm
1 <sup>st</sup> Team Football vs Sanford	4:15 pm
Volleyball @ Gorham	6 pm V – 4:30 JV

**Friday 9/15**

Girls Soccer @ Westbrook	6 pm V – 4 pm JV
Field Hockey @ Biddeford	4 pm V – 5:30 pm JV
Cross Country vs Maine Girls Acad, Gorham, Portland, TA	4 pm
Varsity Football @ Sanford	7 pm

