

# August 26, 2022

Mustang Families,

We've had a busy week at MHS. Student Leadership is up and running, Friday Focus is back and our Deans, Counselors and College and Career Center all provided presentations for our students throughout PE classes this week. Our English classes closed the week with a Book Talk where students discussed books they are currently reading with their peers! Inquire fun reading options from your child and make it a Bookflix night (as displayed in Mr. Buck's English classroom).



As we approach Open House next week, we look forward to meeting our families and providing valuable insight into the classrooms. Please take a moment to read through the important information listed below. If you have any questions, please call the Main Office at 847-949-2200. Go Mustangs!



Sincerely,

*Alexandria Rios Taylor*

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## Important Information

**Friday Focus** - Click [here](#) for this week's Friday Focus. Video stories include advice to the freshmen from last years graduated seniors and a highlight video from Back to School Bash.

### **Open House**

Save the date to meet your students' teachers and Mundelein's student support teams on **Wednesday, August 31** from 5:30pm-8:30pm. Check your email for a copy of the Open House schedule along with your students' period-by-period class schedule. Emails were sent to families this morning.

### **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.

### **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.

For more information and application information, click [HERE](#).

### **Media Center**

The first week book checkout in the Media Center is at 1,260 with more classes scheduled later today!

### **Homecoming**

Click [here](#) for more information on upcoming Homecoming activities.



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## **Back-to-School Bash**





## Athletics

### GoFan

All tickets to home varsity football contests starting tomorrow night must be purchased through [GoFan](#) - MHS student entry remains free and students should enter through the HERO gate on the west end of the Stadium.

### Allowed/Prohibited Items

Just a reminder, allowed items to bring to football games include: sealed water bottles, baby food, rain gear, blankets, coats, umbrellas, wheelchairs, walkers, service dogs and pre-approved signs or posters. Prohibited items include: backpacks, large purses, beach bags, coolers, outside food or drink, noise makers, balls, inflatable toys, laser Pointers, paint, baby powder, streamers, alcoholic beverages, tobacco of any kind including e-cigarettes, drones (except for MHS school issued drone), and non-service certified pets.

### The Foundation Season Pass

Come visit the MHS Foundation's table at the home football game Friday night and purchase your Athletic Activity Season Pass! We will be located outside the

## COLLEGE CORNER

AUGUST 2022

THE COLLEGE AND CAREER RESOURCE CENTER  
(CCRC)

Hello MHS Families,

We are so excited to work with students during the 2022-23 school year!

The CCRC is open daily between 7:25 am and 3:25 pm Monday through Friday. We invite students of all grade levels to stop by room B106, make an appointment with Mrs. Rusk, or to visit the Virtual CCRC.

We offer assistance with all aspects of the college application process including:

- Narrowing down college/university choices
- College applications and essays
- Letters of recommendation
- Financial concerns and scholarships
- Standardized tests (SAT/ACT)
- NCAA/College athletics
- Military choices

Connect with us!

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[Visit the Virtual CCRC](https://bit.ly/MHSCCR)  
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[View the Post-High School Planning Guide!](#)  
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main gate entrance! For \$30, you receive 2 season passes to all home Football, Basketball, and Wrestling events. With this pass, you pay just \$2 for admittance (not valid for IHSA sponsored events). Stop by and see us!

### **Boys Cross Country - Coaches Corner: Kurt Rutz**

The team kicks off the cross-country season on August 31 with an away meet at the scenic Waukegan Sports Complex followed by their first home meet on September 6th on the home course located at the Diamond Lake Sports Complex. Preparation, however, has been going on all summer with most attending the MHS running camp where they not only found camaraderie but heard from running experts. Runners also traveled to the Illinois state course to participate in the ever-popular "Detweiler at Dark" run, a one-of-a-kind running experience at night with strobe lights and music that also raises money for worthy causes. The annual Freedom Classic 5k also serves as a midsummer check of how training is going and is a reunion event for past, present, and future MHS runners and we had a great turnout there.

With official practices under way, the team conducted a two-mile time trial Saturday. Like the 5k earlier in the summer, the time trial this past weekend serves as a benchmark for improvement as the season progresses and an assessment of summer conditioning. We had very good performances with our first 9 runners, including 2 freshmen, all within 1:39 minutes of each other showing much depth.

The team is looking forward to what we can do over our official 3-mile competitive distance when we run at the County Meet August 31st, is motivated, and looking forward to competition starting. Please join us at our meets and follow along via our weekly updates!

Past, present and future MHS cross-country runners at the Freedom Classic 5k:



Participants at the MHS summer running camp soak in the wisdom of guest speaker Coach Bill Massoels from the Milwaukee School of Engineering:



Current and future team members competing in one of the summer track meets:



### **Boys Golf - Coaches Corner: Todd Parola**

They are off! First match of the season @ Blackstone Golf Club. Pictured below: Jackson Koenigsknecht, Matthew Kisselburg, Miles Begg, Brandon Hinkle, Dylan Trahan, Ben Tieman.

Mustangs 2nd place at Huntley invite with 316. Kisselburg 6th with 76. Koenigsknecht 7th with 77.

Congrats to the Mustangs Boys Varsity Golf team who toiled in The Den yesterday and took 3rd Place out of 23 teams! Kisselburg tied for 13th (79), Hinkle tied for 19th (80) and Begg tied for 20th (81).



### **Boys Soccer**

The Mundelein Boys Soccer program recently traveled to Lewis University, Coach Sebastian Falinski's alma mater, to watch a college soccer match and tour the campus. A little rain couldn't dampen the spirits of the boys as everyone had fun experiencing college soccer.

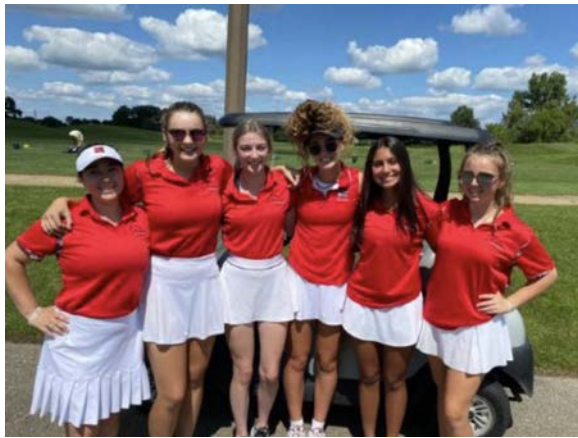


### **Girls Cross Country**



### **Girls Golf**

Varsity Girls Golf getting ready for the Lake County meet.



### **Girls Volleyball - Coaches Corner: Calaeb Haire (Campbell) & Beth Willis**

The MHS Girls Volleyball program is off to a great start! We had a huge turnout of athletes at tryouts and were able to fill 5 full teams (Freshman A & B, Sophomore, JV, and Varsity). It has been a wonderful two weeks of team-building, skill improvement, and overall fun. The red/gray scrimmage for the Back to School Night was a blast, and it has made us all really excited for the season to come! We had our first match against Deerfield on Wednesday, August 24. The Varsity team plays again this weekend at the Crosstown Classic in Libertyville. Go Mustangs!



Students and parents: Check out the Fall 2022 College Corner. It is filled with important information like a college planning checklist for all grades and the Fall 2022 college planning calendar! Here is the [link](#) to our virtual copy.

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## Previous Reminders

### **COVID Guidance**

Continue to report COVID positive cases to the Health Office. Lunchrooms and assemblies are able to return to normal this year. Please contact Mrs. Taylor if certain accommodations are needed during lunch or assemblies.

### **Off Campus Lunch**

Juniors and Seniors may leave the building for lunch, as long as they have no service time. Service time must be completed before they can leave. Freshman and Sophomores are unable to leave the building for lunch.

### **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.***

### **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](#)

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**Go Mustangs!**

