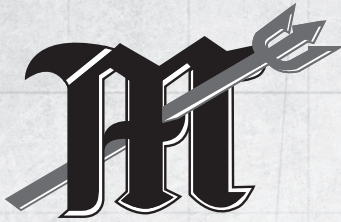




• THE •

BEACON

For the Parents, Staff & Community of Mariner High School



MARINER HIGH SCHOOL

Home of the Fightin' Tritons

VISION:

To provide a world class education.

MISSION:

To ensure student learning through purposeful student engagement.

701 Chiquita Blvd., N.
Cape Coral, Florida 33993

239-772-3324



Principal's Message

Happy New Year Triton Parents and Students,

We have successfully completed one semester and I cannot express enough how hard our students have worked to make academic gains. The 2nd semester is going to be a very busy time for our Triton students and staff as our focus shifts to the next tasks, including FSA Testing, End of Course exams, and of course graduation! (I know, it's going fast) The schedule for upcoming testing is as follows:

- January 27th – February 7th – WIDA
- February 24th – Writing Retakes (Juniors and Seniors)
- FSA Reading Retakes – February 25th and 26th (Juniors and Seniors)
- FSA Algebra1 Retakes – February 27th and 28th
- STAR Reading – March 1st and 2nd
- STAR Math – March 1st and 2nd
- US History Progress Monitoring – March 1st and 2nd
- Biology Progress Monitoring – March 1st and 2nd
- SAT School Day – March 4th (Seniors)
- FSA Writing – April 1st (Grades 9 and 10)
- FSA Reading – May 4th and 5th (Grades 9 and 10)
- FSA Algebra1 EOC – May 11th and 12th
- FSA Geometry EOC – May 11th and 12th
- NGSSS Biology EOC – May 18th
- NGSSS US History EOC – May 18th

Graduation will be Saturday May 23rd 10:00 AM at the Suncoast Arena on the campus of FSW. If you have any questions, please call the school and speak to a member of the guidance team.

Let's have a safe and productive 2nd semester!

Go Tritons!
Dr. Michel

FEBRUARY 1, 2016

Volume 29 • Issue 2





**MARINER
HIGH SCHOOL**

Home of the Fightin' Tritons

"The Beacon"
February 1, 2020
Published Four Times Per Year
School District of Lee County
2855 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33966
Issue #1

Golden Apple Finalist Mr. Stricker

Congratulations to Mr. Stricker for making it to the Top 30 Golden Apple Finalists!



Medical Academy

Our Medical Academy Allied Health Assistant/ Phlebotomy students need 30 successful venipunctures to qualify to take their CPT certification tests. They have started their "live" sticks.

If you have good veins, an 8th period teacher that will allow you to miss about 15 minutes of class time between 12:15 and 1:15, please stop by Ms. Rupert's classroom (305) during A lunch to pick up a release form. The forms will also be in the media center during B lunch. If you are unsure whether you have good veins, please see one of the below students. They should have tourniquets to check your veins.

- Kayleen Alarcon
- Isa Alvarez
- Drew Day
- Chelsea Dulichan
- Addisyn Kelly
- Aidan Lochen
- Sheila Perez-Malo
- Nayelis Regalado
- Dilayne Saavedra
- Kristine Stuart
- Ashlyn Sullivan
- Stephanie Trejo



MHS teachers meeting at the flagpole for solidarity and donuts. We have the best teachers in Lee County!!



Our Scabbard and Blade Honor society mentoring kids at Littleton Elementary.



CHEERING ON ALL TRITONS ON THE FIELD AND IN LIFE



Gavins ACE Hardware
Proudly Serving Our Community

Home Of World Class Service and Rock Star Brands

PROPANE TANKS FILLED HERE!



CAPE CORAL
290 Nicholas Parkway N.W. • 239-945-6223

FORT MYERS
16025 San Carlos Boulevard • 239-466-7777

Lee County's Teacher of the Year Samantha Hower/Mariner High School

Mariner High School art teacher Samantha Hower has been named the 2019 Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Hower has worked in the district for seven years, including time at East Lee County High School in Lehigh Acres. But from the get-go at Mariner, her dream was to put the "A" into the STEM Academy, evolving the school's known focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math to include the arts.

During her day, she hops around in the industry certifications hallway, packing up her book bag to move from room to room, just like her nearly 200 students on campus. Here, she works predominately in the digital arts and is **helping students obtain certifications in programs like Photoshop.**

Hower started the school's **National Art Honor Society** and works with nearby elementary and middle school art programs. She serves also as a representative of the **Teachers Association of Lee County** and acts as a facilitator for professional learning communities, which is a small group of educators who work together to share best practices.

She sits on a couple of committees for the district office, and, for the last two years, her students have earned the highest scores in the district for the Advanced Placement course "2D Studio Art." She's also the chair of the three-person art department.



Beacon newsletter is mailed out quarterly.

February 1, 2020
May 2, 2020
September 1, 2020
December 2, 2020

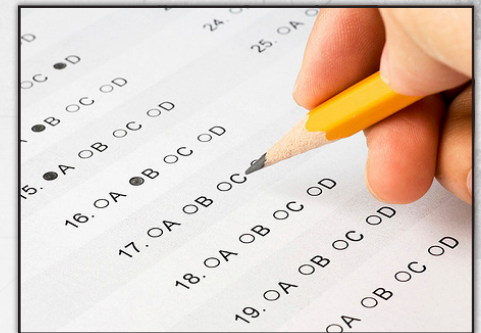
Links to SAT/ACT Dates

SAT Dates

<https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/dates-deadlines>

ACT Dates

<https://blog.prepscholar.com/act-test-dates>



Out-Of-Field Teachers

Florida State Statute 1012.42 recognizes that teachers at times must be assigned duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers at Mariner High School are certified or are engaged in training to add the endorsement, English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), to their certificates:

- Patti Snyder
- Bethany Veith
- Chris Balzano
- Nicole Smith
- Derrick Ransom
- Rex Stage
- John Lyons
- Cody Kibler



Bringing Back Good Times and Great Food!!

1331 Pine Island Road NE
Cape Coral, FL 33909

Phone: 239-242-0218
Fax: 239-242-0349



2019-20 Attendance Policy

In an effort to ensure student learning through purposeful student engagement, students must be in school. Attendance and graduation are an integral part of what we do at Mariner as it goes hand in hand with student achievement. As such we want to make sure that students have every opportunity for success at Mariner by being in attendance for instruction. Our attendance policy outlines attendance expectations, privileges, tardies, skipping, and sign-outs.

At 5 Unexcused Absences (per semester) and/or 4 Tardies/Sign-Outs (per quarter) - The Assistant Principal in charge of attendance will send a letter home with the student and make parent contact.

At 10 Unexcused Absences (per semester) and/or 9 Tardies/Sign-Outs (per quarter) - The Assistant Principal makes parent and counselor contact. An attendance contract signed by student and parent/guardian is put in place with administration.

*We hold students accountable when they are in violation of the attendance policy by placing them on an attendance contract and taking away the following privileges:

- Homecoming Dance
- Grad Bash
- Prom
- Parking Permit (student must remit parking pass until further notice)
- Senior Picnic/Breakfast
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- Walking at Graduation
- Participation in Sports
- Temp Placement
- On-campus and school related off-campus activity.

*Students will be able to earn these privileges back with consecutive attendance to school, being on time for classes and limited sign outs for 30 consecutive days. Each day the student is absent, contract begins over with day 1. Failure to return a signed contract results in the loss of the same privileges above.

15 Unexcused Absences (per semester) and/or 9 Tardies/Sign-Outs (per quarter) - Social worker is notified and parent must attend an attendance review to discuss possible denial of credit.

Mariner Thespians

Our Triton Thespian team had a tremendous fall and is headed into an exciting spring season. This past December we headed to Broward County for a District Theatre Festival where 14 students competed in a variety of events, including several Ensemble and Duet Acting scenes, Solo Musical, Costume Construction and Student Directed Scene. We also competed in the One-Act Festival. Of our competitors, the following students earned Superior awards for their hard work and dedication to the theatre arts:



Grace Baranowski, Tristen Bridgett, Diana Arias Cuellar, and Paige Rodrigo for their ensemble acting scene from "Alice's Adventures in Poorly Cooked Cafeteria Seafood", Taylor Wilcox for her costume construction for "She Kills Monsters". These students will be attending the State Festival to present their categories at **the largest Theatre Arts competition and festival in the world.**

Other awards for our Troupe were, Grace Baranowski, Best Featured Actress (of all 18 One-Acts Performed), and Dash Baker, All-Star Troupe Member. Dash will be going to the State Festival to participate in the 100-hour Theatre projects which is a play performed by one All Star Member from each troupe who participated in a one-act play throughout the state of Florida. They also won 6 Excellent awards for a variety of scene work.

Now that competition season is over, we are focused on our spring play "**Parents Just Don't Understand**" which will be presented on **March 5 and March 6th** at 7 p.m. in the Mariner High School Auditorium. This play calls out to parents and students alike with fun, whimsical looks at situations we've all been in . . . including teaching your daughter how to drive, going clothes shopping with Mom, holiday mishaps, and visiting the grandparents. Explore the relationships between kids and parents that is relevant for any age, as Will Smith said best, "**Parents Just Don't Understand**".

Key Club

Over the month of December, Key Club has been participating in community volunteering events before the year closes. We have participated in the Festival of Lights, working with the Fragile X Foundation to raise money for those with the condition of Fragile X. Over the break, we also participated in Holidays Without Hunger, where we assembled dry soup mix for those in need. As always, we eagerly await next year and prepare for the oncoming new members looking to join our club.



Holidays Without Hunger - Working as a Trainer

 **DROP-OFF & PICK-UP 24/7**
See our website for details

Cape CleanersSM
Because we care 

LAUNDRY • DRY CLEANING • ALTERATIONS

FREE PICK-UP & DELIVERY TO HOME or OFFICE

810 Cape Coral Pkwy E. **30 Hancock Bridge Pkwy.**
Cape Coral, FL 33904 Cape Coral, FL 33991
239-549-1740 239-471-7556

www.CapeCleaners.com



FANTASTIC SAM'S
CUT & COLOR

\$2 OFF
any service

MHSN

239-458-7681
511 SW Pine Island Rd. • Cape Coral, FL 33993

 **Cape Coral Floral Designs**

239-772-3377
1830 Del Prado Blvd. S., Ste. 10 • Cape Coral, FL 33990
www.capeflorist.com
 www.facebook.com/CapeCoralFloralDesigns

Voted Best Florist in Cape Coral for the last 14 years!
Call or click because you deserve the very best!

Good Stuff!

Mrs. Shamrock has done an AMAZING job in her first year taking over the position of Show Director for Artway on the Parkway at the Cape Coral Arts and Music Festival. MHS student artists also took Best of Show and 3rd place.



**MARINER
HIGH SCHOOL**

Home of the Fightin' Tritons

AAA EXPECT SOMETHING FROM

Before you hand your teen the keys, hand them the card.

FREE AAA Membership for your teen with a learner's permit.

Here's what you and your teen enjoy:

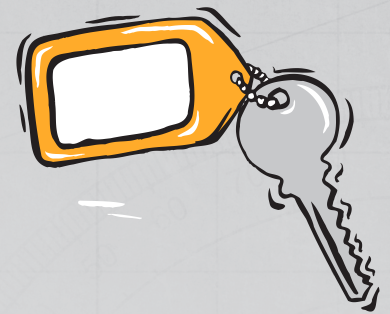
- ✓ Flat tire - changed on the spot with your spare
- ✓ Out of gas - free fuel delivery
- ✓ Locked out - we'll get them in
- ✓ Dead battery - we'll give them a jump or a tow

Safe. Secure. Free.

123 456 123456789 0
AAA MEMBER

Contact me to learn more.

If you want to know more about this opportunity, please contact Kim Michel at 941-627-1544, ext. 286.



COME JOIN THE TEAM!



WHERE YOU CAN LEARN:

- ✘ Jiu Jitsu
- ✘ Submission Wrestling
- ✘ Muay Thai
- ✘ MMA

239-270-9650

facebook.com/CaliStyleMMACapeCoral

1404 Del Prado Blvd. S., Unit 130 • Cape Coral, FL 33990

HOH
HOUSE OF OMELETS
breakfast • lunch
ESTD. 2013
Open Daily 7am - 3pm

239-673-7545
houseofomelets.com

900 SW Pine Island Road • Cape Coral, FL 33991

blend
Cape Coral
The Hair & Nail Lab
239 458 0101
blendthelab.com

Hairstyling
Make Up
Nail Art

HELP AND SUPPORT

Your Local Sponsor Advertisers

Interact Club

Interact club was very busy during first semester with food drives, Pennies for Patients, Habitat For Humanity, and Holidays Without Hunger.

Our annual Pennies for Patients ran from September 9th through 27th, for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Southwest Florida. Each 7th period class was given a donation box to collect weekly monetary donations. Interact collects and counts each box over the three-week campaign period and announces weekly class leaders. Once all donations were collected, we were able to donate \$139.54 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

This year Interact took over the food drive during homecoming week. We designed donation boxes for each grade level that were placed in the galley for students to drop off nonperishable food items and earn homecoming points. The juniors took the lead by having the most donations during the powder puff game and kept the lead until the finally count, when the seniors swooped in with last minute donations to take the win. After all the food was counted and boxed, we collected six boxes for the Salvation Army.



Habitat For Humanity Wall Raising

For the second year in a row, our volunteer day gave us an opportunity to "raise the walls" with Habitat For Humanity. This event starts bright and early with a slab of cement and ends with the outside and inside walls of a house complete. A lot of hard work goes into this event, but the result makes it all worth it.



Meals of Hope Holidays Without Hunger

To wrap up the semester, we attended the Meals of Hope Holidays Without Hunger event. This year we took our "green hat" role even farther by helping set up the night before and arriving early to add finishing touches. This was our 8th year of taking part in this event and the 3rd year as "green hat" helpers who help set up, monitor tables, and cleaning up. Over 553,000 meals were packaged for local families in need as well as some being sent to the Dominican Republic.

Interact upcoming events: March 23-April 3rd Autism Awareness wristband sales, and June 1st - 3rd Final exam sales.

The Triton Wrestling Team

The Mariner Wrestling Team is in the midst of a great season! We recently went undefeated at the "Best of the West" dual tournament, defending our title as the best team in the West Zone.

Our Triton wrestling team took 7th place out of 20 teams at the Captain Archer Invitational. This was a great effort by the guys as we only took 9 wrestlers to compete in 14 weight class. We had the quality instead of the quantity. Special recognition to Chris Campbell who won the overall heavyweight division.

Placers:

120lbs. 4th - Christopher Minto (Trophy)

138lbs. 4th - Lance Crawford

145lbs. 4th - Ethan Duke

152lbs. 2nd - Mack Koselke

285lbs. 1st - Chris Campbell



Led by Team Captains Chris Campbell, Mack Koselke, and Ethan Duke; the Triton wrestling team is off to a great start of the season with a 11-6 dual meet record. With only two Seniors on the team the future is bright for the Fightin' Tritons Wrestling squad. Be sure to follow along as we begin the FHSAA State Tournament with Districts on February 22 at South Fort Myers High.

Mariner Boys' Soccer Team

The boys soccer team traveled to Tavares, FL during the winter break to participate in the Mike Stone Invitational soccer tournament where they played some of the top teams in Florida and a team from San Francisco, California. The boys ended up in 3rd Place in the tournament with wins over: Osceola HS 4-3, Bishop Kenny 4-1, and Spruce Creek 2-0. The only loss came to St. Ignatius (San Francisco, California) 1-2. Team Captains Eddie Reyes received All-Tournament honors while Leo Perez was awarded tournament MVP.



Senior Final Exam Exemption Criteria 2019-2020

The following exam exemption policy applies to **seniors only**. If you have a **senior** who meets the exemption criteria, the student receives an X for the exam in FOCUS. This policy excludes Dual Enrollment, AP, IB, or AICE Exams.

Seniors who meet the following criteria are exempt from final exams:

- Only seniors can waive second semester exams.
- Student must have an A or B average in the class for second semester.
- Student must have no external suspensions during semester 2.
- Advanced Placement, IB, AICE, and Dual Enrollment exams must be administered. No exemptions can be given for these courses.
- When an exam is waived, the two nine-week grades for second semester will be averaged to obtain a semester average for the course.
- Only those seniors who meet the criteria as stated above will be exempt from exams at the end of second semester.

Senior Final Exam Schedule 2019-2020

Date	Schedule
Monday, May 11th	Regular Bell Schedule - Last Regular Day for Seniors
Tuesday May 12th	Regular Bell Schedule - Seniors may choose to only attend classes with exams 5th and 7th Exams
Wednesday, May 13th	Regular Bell Schedule - Seniors may choose to only attend classes with exams 6th and 8th Exams
Thursday, May 14th	Regular Bell Schedule - Seniors may choose to only attend classes with exams 1st and 3rd Exams
Friday, May 15th	Regular Bell Schedule - Seniors may choose to only attend classes with exams 2nd and 4th Exams
Monday, May 18th	Regular Bell Schedule - Make-up Exams Given As Needed
Tuesday, May 19th	Regular Bell Schedule - Make-up Exams Given As Needed
Wednesday, May 20th	Regular Bell Schedule - Make-up Exams Given As Needed



Senior News

Sponsors / Google Classroom

- Erica Orjuela – ericaor@leeschools.net
- Nancy Fisher – nancymf@leeschools.net
- Google Classroom Code- ipsdre

Senior Dues

- Paid during 2nd semester: \$55
- Dues go towards senior year expenses: graduation tickets and programs, flowers, senior breakfast, senior picnic, gifts to school, etc.

Senior Picnic

Wednesday, April 8, Mariner High School

ACT

Tuesday, April 14

Grad Bash

- Friday, April 17, 2020, Universal Studios, Orlando
- Price- \$150 (Includes transportation, ticket price and pre-party with dancing, buffet, and DJ on City Walk)

Prom

- April 25, 2020, from 7 pm-11 pm at the Burroughs Home, Ft. Myers
- Ticket prices: Seniors \$10, Juniors \$45

SAT

Saturday, May 2

AP Exams

May 4 – May 13 (exception is May 7)

Senior Breakfast

Thursday, May 21 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. MHS Galley

Senior Graduation Practice

Thursday, May 21 9:00 - ? MHS

Graduation

Saturday, May 23, 10:00 a.m., Florida Southwestern College

***All senior information will be posted in the Google classroom, please join the class and check for announcements every week! ***

A few spots are left!



We need you!

Advertise in The Beacon!

This is a wonderful way for your company to get community recognition and exposure, and at the same time help support your local schools!

Deborah Adkins
deboraha@leeschools.net
Mariner High School



The School District of Lee County
 2855 Colonial Blvd.
 Fort Myers, FL 33966
MARINER HIGH SCHOOL

Non-Profit Organization
 U.S. Postage
 PAID
 Ft. Myers, FL
 Permit No. 321



The Mariner Leadership Academy

CONGRATULATIONS to MLA Drill Team who competed at the Annual SGM Richardson Memorial Drill Meet in Sarasota, Florida. The relatively new team brought home a stunning First Place Overall Win for the School and took their first step in the season with determination, commitment, hard work, and total loyalty to the "Fightin' Tritons".

- Female Exhibition Squad 1st place
- Male Unarmed Squad 1st place
- Male Armed Platoon 2nd place
- Male Color Guard 2nd place
- Female Color Guard 2nd place
- Female Exhibition Platoon 2nd place
- Male Exhibition Squad 3rd place
- Female Unarmed Squad 3rd place



2019 State Best Raider Champions Dylan Grant and Jake Woods



JROTC Essay Contest Winner

Please congratulate this year's Annual JROTC Essay Contest Winner Alex High!

Congrats!

