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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

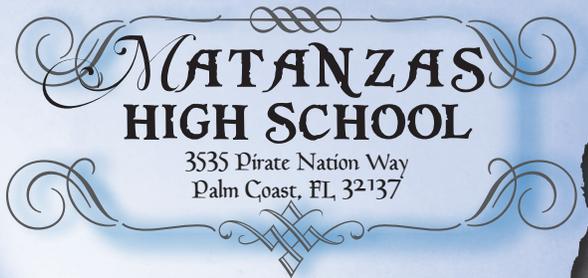
Zig Ziglar, a famous motivational speaker once said, "People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing - that's why we recommend it daily." What an incredibly true statement.

Our school year has been wrought with challenges, but we have emerged stronger and more resilient because of our positive attitude and determination. Now the end of the school year is right in front of us. Graduation and the final nine weeks are here, so it is important to finish the race well. It is critical for each of us to stay positive and maintain a focused determination!

Here are a few tips to staying positive:

- Life is a gift, not a burden. Live your life to its fullest potential. If you see each day as a gift, you are more likely to persevere.
- Failure is not meant to define you, but it will test what you are made of. Don't let the negativity bring you down. Focus on the positive. That doesn't mean we ignore challenges; it means we work to overcome them.
- There are many things in life we cannot control; however, there are at least three things we can control every day: our attitude, our effort, and our actions. It doesn't matter what others are doing. Every day focus on being positive, working hard, and making others around you better.

If we stay positive, we can accomplish anything we set our minds to. As we wrap up this year, I want to encourage you to come to school every day and give your best effort every day. Complete your assignments on time. Be a positive force for good on campus. Remember our MHS motto: make good choices, hold yourself accountable, strive for excellence.



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FAST-PACED ENTERTAINMENT COMING!

Our biggest and most popular show is A Night of Percussion on Tuesday, April 27 at 7 PM in the Pirate Theater. This show will feature the percussion ensembles, steelbands, drumline and all of the incredible accomplishments of our Percussion Program this year! It is a fast-paced, non-stop, interactive show that you won't want to miss! The suggested donation for all shows is \$5 per person. Thank you so much for your support of the Matanzas Percussion Program. We can't wait to see you at our next show!



HANDS-ON ENERGY PROJECT

Students eagerly participated in Mr. Bishay's physical science class assignment. To help students learn about potential and kinetic energy, teams of three used foam tubing to create a roller coaster. Students had to calculate potential and kinetic energy as well as the power needed to launch their marble. Requirements included at least one loop, no barrier to stop the marble, and the marble could not roll back more than 10 centimeters. One day was given for planning and one for building. Students made adjustments in the hopes of earning the title of best roller coaster. Students eagerly demonstrated their creations, explaining the adjustments that had to be made for the roller coaster to meet the requirements. A follow-up assignment included making similar calculations to a real roller coaster, The Hulk. High student energy led to increased knowledge of potential and kinetic energy.



CHORUS HITS ALL THE RIGHT NOTES

Due to the pandemic, instead of the Music Performance Assessment, chorus students participated in the Florida Vocal Association District VI solo and ensemble. The primary purpose of the FVA is to promote and develop secondary school interest in choral and general music. Every MHS chorus student participated in one of the five ensembles, and 17 students participated in solos. All five ensembles received a superior rating. Thirteen soloists received a superior rating, and four soloists received an excellent rating.

Congratulations to the following superior soloists:

Freshmen:

Alexa Wingfield
Austin McKay

Juniors:

Ethan Fink
Melissa Guzman

Seniors:

Andrew DeZego
Lauren Januszkiewicz
Jenny Dotson
Matthew Eaton
Nicholas Rodrigues
Raeanna Wright

MHS LEO CLUB

Matanzas Leo Club has had an eventful school year. Some of this year's events were setting up pumpkin hunts, beautifying Flagler beach, and reading to elementary school students. The Leo Club provides an excellent opportunity to serve and to earn community service hours. New members are welcomed! Text @mhsleo2017 to 81010 to get involved.



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3D PRINTER PUT INTO ACTION BY LIFE SKILLS STUDENTS

Students in Ms. Marshall's Life Skills class combined their STEAM skills as they learned how to design in Tinkercad and use our 3D printers. Students practiced geometry as they tinkered with different shapes and creatively modified existing designs. Students also learned how to connect the 3D printers to a computer, prep the build plate, and initiate a print. A great time was had by all!



MU ALPHA THETA

On February 27, Nicholas Vilay, Sarah Flannery, Carson Lee, and Eduardo Crespo Lauzao, participated in the 14-hour Mathworks Math Modeling Challenge. They were given a three-part real-world problem requiring them to research, collect data, and formulate models that would help them estimate the cost of a unit of bandwidth and optimize the distribution of cell towers for providing the bandwidth. They wrote a technical paper detailing their findings and reasoning behind the creation of their model. While the students did not advance past the first round, all had a great time trying a new challenge that allowed us to apply our classroom knowledge in a different situation. We look forward to trying again next year.

Mu Alpha Theta also celebrated Pi Day on March 14 by creating pi-related questions for students to answer during lunch for prizes. We also created a pamphlet of fun games and information about the origin of the Pi Day celebration.

Students interested in joining Mu Alpha Theta should look for the QR codes in their math classroom or speak with Mr. Winfree, Mrs. Winfree, or Mrs. Cypert.



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Through the collective partnership with our families, students, staff, and community, Matanzas will become a premier high school in the nation by inspiring independence and confidence in all learners as they prepare for college, career, and life.

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KEY CLUB

Key Club is a diverse community service club that meets in the Plank every Thursday after school from 2:30-4:00. Members make lifelong friends while participating in activities to benefit children in our school, community, and world. Key Club is a student-led organization with adult advisors and an elected board. There are many opportunities for any student to blossom into a leader of their peers. On average, members will complete 45 hours a year just by attending our meetings.

Some of our service projects include using recycled towels and old clothing to make dog toys for the Flagler County Animal Shelter, spreading cheer by painting friendship rocks and scattering them all over Flagler County, and using plastic grocery bags to weave ground beds for the homeless. We try to participate in a Flagler County beach or waterway clean-up every other month. Many of our members have grandparents in nursing homes. We have enjoyed making holiday greeting cards to cheer them up and have also played bingo at a memory care center close to the school during one of our meeting times. Members serve monthly at Grace Food Pantry in Bunnell and will continue to do this throughout the year. If you would like to serve at the food pantry on May 15 and/or June 19, please contact Mrs. Summerlot.

The unused agricultural area of campus has been revived as we initiated a community garden program. Fruits and vegetables have been started in both the greenhouse and garden beds. The food will be donated to the local food bank. If you would like to help in this venture, we have an all-day event on April 24. Lunch will be provided, compliments of our generous Flagler County Kiwanis Club. We have also invited the Old Kings K-kids and the Kiwanians to join us in our efforts that day.

By the time this HOOK is published, we will have already attended the annual convention in Orlando. We have participated in this enriching event every year except last year when it was canceled due to Covid. This leadership convention is enjoyed by Key Club Members from all over the state of Florida. It is a great time to share our ideas with other Key Clubs as well as get feedback on ways to improve all aspects of our service unit.

The pandemic has put a damper on many of our "normal" activities, but it has not stopped us from continuing to serve our community locally, statewide, or worldwide. It has forced us to be more creative in how we serve, but most importantly, we continue to serve and enjoy doing so. If you would like to see what Key Club has to offer, come check us out in the Plank on a Thursday after school at 2:30.

GUIDANCE NEWS

Seniors -

Please make sure you hand in your Community Service hours for your Bright Futures. Time is running out; they must be submitted before graduation. Also, if you need to retake the SAT or ACT, Bright Futures will accept May and June test scores.

Juniors -

Please attend our annual Junior Dinner and Details on May 2, at 6 PM in the Dining Hall. Important information will be covered on college applications, technical schools, scholarships, and much more. We hope to see you and your parents/guardians there.

Underclassmen -

Guidance is in the process of meeting with all students for course selections. We hope to have met with everyone by the beginning of May.



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MHS ROTC

Congratulations to MHS JROTC for having ALL teams qualify to compete at the state level. The Color Guard and Drill Team both won trophies at the Union County Drill Meet thereby qualifying them to compete virtually at the Florida State Drill Meet. The Rifle Team took second place out of nine teams and qualified to shoot in the State Rifle Match. That match will be shot via postal targets; participants shoot the targets then mail them in to be scored. Aurora Dennis was named the top female shooter in the entire area. To add to that, thirty cadets will travel to Camp Blanding, Florida, to rappel down the 60-foot tower and to negotiate the obstacle course. Even with the challenges of COVID, the MHS JROTC program continues to adapt, improvise and overcome.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

This February, the MHS National Honor Society received the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Patriotic Youth Award for their exemplary display of patriotism. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary commended NHS members for their actions and deeds.

Recently, MHS National Honor Society inducted the following twenty-five new members:

Celeste Baker
Caleb Bellegarde
Kevin Cartagena
Kendall Duckett
Sydney Moses
Morgan Naydich
Sean Norris

Julia Oliveira da Silva
Alaina Rumrill
Lauren Sampsel
Katelyn Telfer
Joann Thankam Ritz
Henson White
Logan Winfree

Sophya Wodchis
Samara Brooks
Ethan Drost
Ashley Grove
Rachel Krayter
Jeishka Laureano
Nina Soutar

Caleb Struble
Jacob Warren
Alexis Wilson
Sydney Wong



Jenna Clements
Garden Recovered



Ava Taing
Garden

PIRATE DESIGNERS PLACE IN POSTER CONTEST

Congratulations to all Digital Media students who participated in the Palm Coast Garden Club poster contest. Senior Jenna Clements was selected as the 2nd place winner, and freshman Ava Taing was awarded an Honorable Mention. A celebration was held to recognize each student's accomplishment. Congratulations as well to students from our neighboring high school FPC who were awarded 1st and 3rd places. Way to go Pirate Designers!



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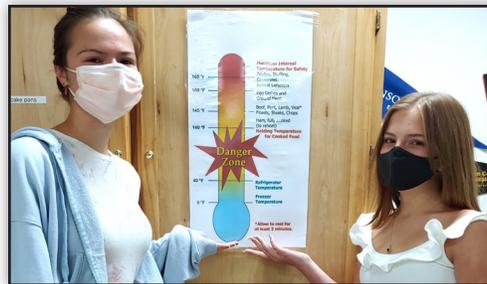
The new Tiny House Project has just begun. Keep an eye out for progress as the Tiny House takes shape!



VOICES OF DEMOCRACY CONTEST WINNERS

This year Mr. Graifer and Mr. Schaefer's government classes participated in the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Voices of Democracy Scholarship contest. Three Matanzas students placed in the top five. Congratulations to Trinity DeFalco, Kannin Rider, and Tommy Tep who respectively placed 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. Each winner was awarded a cash prize.

MORE CERTIFICATIONS!



Congratulations to culinary students Emily Diez and Avril Asseo, for passing the ServSafe Manager certification exam!



Congratulations to Arjay and Jaden for earning their Microsoft Excel industry certification!



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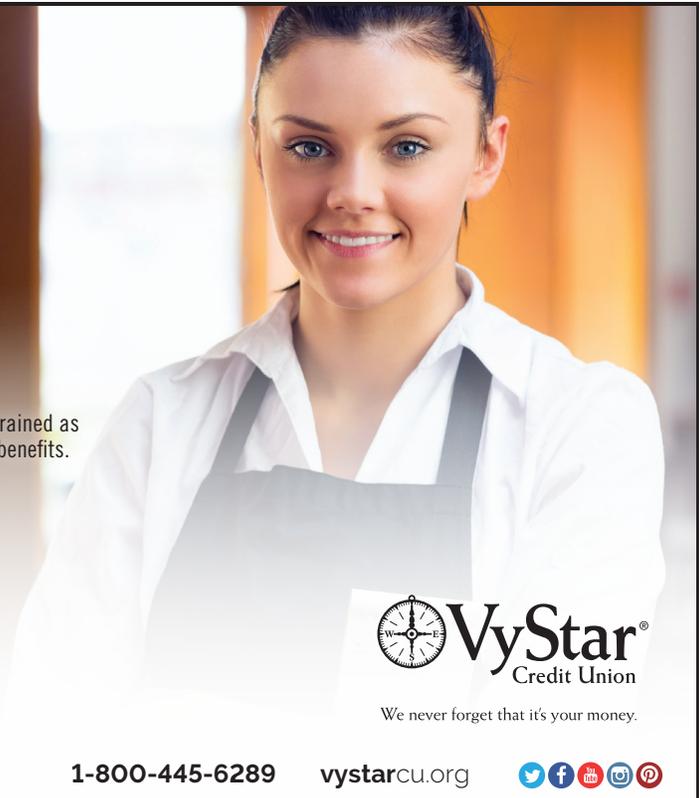
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CLASS OF 2021 INFORMATION

Senior Awards Night & Scholarship Night

Date: Tuesday, April 27

Distribution: Delivery by teachers, administration, and district personnel.

Grad Bash Informational Meeting

Date: Friday, May 21, 2:30 PM

Location: Theater

Grad Bash - Universal Studios

Date: Tuesday, May 25, 7:30 AM - 8:30 PM

Location: Meet in Bus Loop

Wear something comfortable for hot weather, but **school-appropriate!**

Graduation Practice - MANDATORY

Date: Thursday, May 27, 9:00 AM

Arrive no later than 8:30 AM. Bring a pen or pencil.

Location: Matanzas Gymnasium

Graduation Tickets: Handed out at the end of Graduation Practice

Graduation Information

Location: Ocean Center in Daytona Beach

Date: June 2, 4:00 PM

- **Seniors, please arrive no later than 2:30 PM!**
- Doors open at 3:00 PM for guests of the graduates.
- Please be seated BY 3:45; procession begins promptly at 3:45 PM. DON'T BE LATE!
- Ticket Information - Only 6 Tickets per graduate (NO EXCEPTIONS)
- ATTIRE:
 - Dress business casual or better
 - No decorating top of cap. If you decorate your cap, you will be given a new cap for the ceremony, and your decorated cap returned after the ceremony.
 - No flip flops or tennis shoes
- Face coverings will be required at all times while in the Ocean Center. No medical exceptions.
- Ocean Center Security measures will be in place for both Flagler County Graduations. Clear bags only!
- Balloons and flowers will not be allowed in the Ocean Center for the ceremony. Please leave these items in your car.
- Parking passes are \$5.00 and go on sale starting Monday, May 24, until Tuesday, June 1.
 - Passes can be purchased in Coach Roe's office, 6-242, or the Front Desk.
 - If you do not buy a parking pass from MHS, you will need to purchase one from the Ocean Center.

Late Cap and Gown Pick Up

Location: Coach Roe's office, 6-242

Date: During school hours (If you are a remote student, please go to the front office and check in prior to coming up to Coach Roe's Office.)

REDEMPTION

The pandemic cut short the Matanzas Boys weightlifting 2020 season before it even started. The team came into this season with a chip on their shoulders, seeking redemption for a missed season and what could have been. The Pirate Lifters set high goals and maintained laser-like focus as they entered the 2021 season. All of that hard work and dedication paid off in their victory over cross-town rival FPC on March 24, earning them their 10th win and finishing the regular season with a 10-1 record.

Seniors Jason Charles, Richard Rigby, Aly Louis-Charles, and Nick Morin led the way, winning virtually every meet they've competed in. First-year Head Coach Matt Forrest leads this hungry team into the District Meet, looking to cap off what's already been an amazing season with a District Championship! Trying not to look too far ahead, this team knows it has the potential to advance several lifters to state, take care of unfinished business, and achieve their motto for the entire season, Take Everything!

UPDATE: On March 31, the Pirates WON the District 5 2A Championship! Way to Take Everything, Pirates!



Jason Charles



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TESTING CALENDARS

2021 AICE EXAM CALENDAR

DAY/DATE	AM	PM
Monday, April 26	General Paper 1	
Tuesday, April 27		Marine Science 1
Wednesday, April 28	General Paper 2	
Thursday, April 29	English Lang 1	Marine Science 2
Friday, April 30		Thinking Skills1
Tuesday, May 5		History 1
Thursday, May 6		Global Perspectives
Friday, May 7	English Lang 2	History 2
Wednesday, May 11		Thinking Skills 2
Tuesday, May 25		Travel and Tourism

2021 FSA/EOC EXAM CALENDAR

DAY/DATE	EXAM
Wednesday, May 5	FSA ELA Reading Session 1, Grades 9/10
Thursday, May 6	FSA ELA Session 2, Grades 9/10
Monday, May 10	Algebra and Geometry EOCs, Session 1
Tuesday, May 11	Algebra and Geometry EOCs, Session 2
Wednesday, May 12	US History and Biology EOCs

2021 AP EXAM CALENDAR

All exams are paper-based and will be administered at MHS.

DAY/DATE	MORNING Exam starts at 8 AM (Arrive 30 min. early)	AFTERNOON Exam starts at 12 Noon (Arrive 30 min. early)
Monday, May 3	US Government	
Tuesday, May 4		Human Geography
Wednesday, May 5	English Literature	
Thursday, May 6	US History	
Monday, May 10		Macroeconomics
Tuesday, May 11		Psychology
Wednesday, May 12	English Language	
Friday, May 14	Biology	Environmental Science
Monday, May 17	Computer Science Principles	Statistics
Thursday, May 20	Art and Comp Science Principles Digital Portfolios due by 11:59 PM	
Friday, May 21	Spanish	
Monday, May 24	Calculus	
Tuesday, May 25	Chemistry	

