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of Maumee High School

From the Assistant Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! At this time of the year, I am always reminded of, "The Law of the Harvest". While the past two years have been difficult for so many people for a multitude of reasons, it is important to remember that as individuals, we have a certain level of control over our personal situations. Therefore, I want to remind everyone that we, "reap what we sow". This is such an important idea especially in times of uncertainty and fear. I encourage everyone to take on challenges we face with a positive attitude. Go forth into the community with a cheerful heart and positive intent. Doing this will not only make your world a brighter place, but it will do the same for those around you.



At Maumee High School, we begin to push off into 2022 providing what we believe to be the best educational experience for all students. We have much to accomplish during the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. On **January 24th**, Maumee High School will be hosting our annual **8th Grade Open House**. On **January 26th**, Maumee High School will host the annual **College-Credit-Plus Information Night**. In February, MHS School Counselors will begin the process of working with current 9th, 10th, and 11th graders to create their course schedules for the 2022-2023 school year. On **March 15th**, the **Statewide ACT** will be conducted for all Juniors at Maumee High School while Sophomores and Freshmen will participate in a timed practice ACT. Throughout the school year, MHS Staff has continued to expose our students to ACT items in preparation for the statewide administration. This initiative was implemented three years ago and we believe strongly that it is an additional layer of preparation for our students and their college-readiness.

As always, we aim to serve our students in ways that fit their needs. Should you have any questions, we are only a phone call away. I want to wish everyone the very best for a happy, healthy, and "normal" 2022.

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'21-'22 Monthly Character Themes

September = RESPONSIBILITY

October = OPEN-MINDEDNESS

November = RESILIENCE

December = BRAVERY

January = PERSPECTIVE

At MHS we are continuing our commitment to introducing our students to the power of positive psychology. Through the combination of the "Positivity Project" and Restorative Circles, we are providing a curriculum based on the tenets of positive psychology that introduces students to characteristics of positive people and positive cultures. Our goal is to make MHS an even more happy, accepting, and productive workplace for both students and adults by developing these characteristics. Since our last newsletter, we have covered RESILIENCE, BRAVERY, and PERSPECTIVE. In the first homeroom of the month, teachers conduct guided discussions and activities focused on the specific character traits. Students are given a punch-card for the specific character trait of the month. Teachers and staff can punch/initial these cards if they catch their student(s) exhibiting the specific character trait. In the second homeroom of the month, homeroom teachers will follow-up with students to collect students' punch-cards and discuss what they did to get their cards punched and the impact these acts have had on them and others both in and out of school in a Restorative Circle activity.

Beginning in February, we will refocus our efforts on our "FOUR Behavioral Expectations" which are Be RESPONSIBLE, Be OPEN-MINDED, Be APPRECIATIVE, and BE RESILIENT. Daily announcements and Trivia games will occur during lunches where students can exhibit their knowledge and win valuable prizes.

Additionally, we have welcomed speakers from the greater Toledo Area to speak to our Senior Class about the monthly character trait. In November, 13ABC morning news anchor, James Sparks spoke about Resilience. In December, Springfield High School Teacher McKenna Reitz spoke to the seniors about Bravery. In January, Maumee High School's Assistant Principal, Scott Perrotte spoke about Perspective.



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James Sparks, 13ABC morning news anchor talks about Resilience and his personal experiences.



Springfield High School teacher McKenna Reitz speaks to seniors about bravery and her battle with alopecia.



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College-Credit-Plus

Meeting (Wednesday, January 26th)

Has your student been recommended to take college credit bearing courses next school year? Maumee High School - in cooperation with Bowling Green State University and Owens Community College - offers 23 college credit bearing courses at Maumee High School taught by our own credentialed teachers. Here is a list of college courses being offered at MHS:

Courses offered at MHS in conjunction with BGSU

- CS 1000-Understanding Computers (3 sem hours) with Mr. James Stanton
- CS 1010-Introduction to Programming (3 sem hours) with Mr. James Stanton
- HIST 2050-Early America (3 sem hours) with Ms. Jamie Naragon
- HIST 1520- The Modern World (3 sem hours) with Ms. Jamie Naragon
- HIST 2060-Modern America (3 sem hours) with Ms. Jamie Naragon
- ECON 2000-Introduction to Economics (3 sem hours) with Mr. Robert Dryfuse
- SOC 1010-Principles of Sociology (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Jamie Naragon
- BIOL 1010- Environment of Life (3 sem hours) with Mr. Adam Russell
- BIOL 1040 - Introduction to Biology (4 sem hours) with Mr. Adam Russell
- SPAN 2010- Intermediate Spanish I (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Heather LaBeau
- SPAN 2020-Intermediate Spanish II (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Heather LaBeau
- GERM 2010- Intermediate German I (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Maria Herman
- GERM 2020-Intermediate German II (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Maria Herman
- WRIT 1110- Seminar in Academic Writing (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Michelle Jacob or Mrs. Karen Cameron
- WRIT 1120- Seminar in Research Writing (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Michelle Jacob or Mrs. Karen Cameron
- MATH 1220 - College Algebra (4 sem hours) with Mrs. Drage
- MUCT 1010 - Exploring Music (3 sem hours) with Dr. Murphy
- MUCT 1250 - Music of World Cultures (3 sem hours) with Dr. Murphy
- GERO 1010 - Aging, Individual and Society (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Keifer

Courses offered at MHS in conjunction with Owen Community College through the DECA program:

Junior Marketing Program

- BUS 101-Contemporary Business (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Robin Bruderly
- BUS 102-College and Career Professional (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Robin Bruderly

Senior Marketing Program

- MKT 111-Entrepreneurial Marketing (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Robin Bruderly
- MKT 125-Personal Selling (3 sem hours) with Mrs. Robin Bruderly

The state of Ohio requires that any student interested in taking college courses either in their home school or on a college campus attend a College Credit Plus meeting with their parent(s). Topics such as qualification, expectations, transcripting, and dismissal will be discussed. The College Credit Plus meeting will be Wednesday, January 26th at 7:00 pm. in the PAC. A parent signature on an INTENT TO PARTICIPATE form is REQUIRED for the student & parent of any student interested in taking a College Credit Plus course regardless of whether or not the student has participated in the past.

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Upcoming Dates/Events

- January 24th 8th Grade Open-House
 January 26th College Credit Plus Information Night
 February 16th . . . MHS Choir Coffee House Performance
 February 21st . . . President's Day (NO SCHOOL)
 February 22nd . . . Teacher Professional Development Day (NO SCHOOL)
 February 23rd . . . MHS Trimester Exams (1st, 2nd & 4th Periods)
 February 24th . . . MHS Trimester Exams (3rd & 5th Periods) DISMISSAL at 11am
 February 25th . . . MHS Staff Records Day (NO SCHOOL)
 February 28th . . . 3rd Trimester Begins
 March 2nd JUNIOR Timed Practice ACT
 March 15th. Statewide ACT for JUNIORS, Timed Practice ACT for SOPHOMORES & FRESHMEN
 March 24th. Career Day

Senior Scholarship List in the Graduation Program

An important piece of the graduation program is the senior scholarship list. Every senior who receives a scholarship - whether they accept the scholarship or not - is recognized by name along with the scholarships awarded. We rely on the senior students and parents to provide this information as we may not always receive notice of scholarships that the students receive. Please bring a copy of any scholarship that your student receives to the counseling office at Maumee High School. You can also scan a copy of the letter and email to counseling office secretary, Michelle Leasor, at mleasor@maumeeek12.org We will make sure that all scholarships for which we have notice are properly listed by the student name in the program.

Career Day

Career Day at Maumee High School is returning this spring! The event is planned for Thursday, March 24th. The 9th and 10th grade students will attend career presentations here at Maumee High School based on their choices from over 25 career presentations given by local professionals and will also attend informational sessions hosted by the University of Toledo and Bowling Green State University. The 11th grade students will spend their school day off-campus choosing either college visits or job shadowing experiences. The 12th grade students will not have any school day responsibilities, but will be able to attend a jobs expo hosted by the Maumee Chamber of Commerce that will be held here at Maumee High School from 3 pm - 6 pm (tentatively). The day looks to be beneficial to all!



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Preparing for the State-Administered Junior ACT

All Maumee High School **Juniors** will be taking the state administered ACT test on **Tuesday, March 15th**. This will be a full-length ACT and - like any ACT test - it is designed to give students a critical assessment on their college readiness skills. ACT results are used (in conjunction with other metrics like grades, GPA, and difficulty of courses taken) to determine if a student is admitted to a college or university as well as scholarship opportunities.

Why does Maumee High School put so much emphasis on the ACT? Almost every college and university in the state of Ohio has a "Freshman Scholarship Calculator" that determines the base level renewable scholarship available to freshman students that is solely based on GPA and ACT scores. There are many more scholarship opportunities available to students that qualify, but this typically shows the basic academic award. The counseling staff at Maumee High School will work with students to make sure they are aware of other grants, scholarships, and endowments that they are eligible for.

ACT College Readiness Benchmarks

English - 18 Mathematics - 22 Reading - 22 Science - 23

Juniors are considered "college ready" if they meet ALL 4 of these subscores on the ACT.

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Senior Slides

Mr. Dick shared a Class of 2022 google slide with each senior on which they can import their senior portrait and enter information about their future plan. These slides will be used at spring awards ceremonies, district publications, and possibly graduation. Senior parents - please make sure that your student has completed his/her slide so that it can be included with the Class of 2022 slide show.



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PROM INFO

Prom


The officers of the classes of 2022 and 2023 along with their advisors have adjusted the date and location of the Maumee High School prom. Prom will be Saturday, May 21st @ 7 pm at Parkway Place here in Maumee. After-prom is tentatively being planned for Kalahari. A number of parents have already volunteered to participate in planning and fundraising for these events. Please get this adjusted date on your calendar.



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