

# Menomonee Falls Messenger

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## From the Desk of the Principal



Mr. Robert Vitale

I cannot believe we are approaching the end of the 2021-22 school year. We are entering 4th quarter and the Class of 2022 are completing their last days of their high school careers. This class has done an OUTSTANDING job navigating through the last four years. This group of seniors has followed the high expectations set for them and have represented MFHS with class. I cannot say enough for the Class of 2022. As I finish my 33 years in education I cannot say THANK YOU enough for what SDMF has done for me and my family. When I arrived at MFHS back in 1998 I had no idea what I was stepping into, but it has been the best transition I have made in my career. I want to THANK all the staff I have worked with over the last 25 years. I want to especially THANK the staff I have worked with the last 6 years. I want to THANK ALL the students, it is you who have made my time at MFHS so enjoyable. I have memories and stories I will cherish the rest of my life. Finally to the parents and community, THANK you ALL for your support. Please continue to support our schools. We have unbelievable schools, staff and students!!!!

## Important Dates

|                      |                                    |  |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Early Release</b> | May 4, 11, 18, and 25<br>June 1, 8 |  |
| <b>No School</b>     | May 30                             | Memorial Day Weekend                           |
| <b>Final Exams</b>   | June 2, 3<br>June 8, 9, 10         | <b>Seniors Only</b><br>9th, 10th, 11th graders |

## Important Dates

|          |                        |
|----------|------------------------|
| May 2-13 | AP Testing             |
| May 9    | Academic Awards Night  |
| May 18   | SOE Breakfast          |
| May 19   | Senior Pennant signing |
| May 20   | Senior Holiday         |
| May 21   | Junior Prom            |
| May 23   | Senior Athletic Awards |
| May 25   | Scholarship Night      |

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|---------|----------------------------------|
| May 26  | NHS Induction                    |
| June 10 | Last Day of School<br>Graduation |

*Check our school website calendar for other dates and times.*

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## ADMINISTRATION

**Mr. Robert Vitale,**  
*Principal*

**Mr. Jeff Haubenreich,**  
*Associate Principal for students with last names, A-J*

**Mr. Kirk Woosencraft,**  
*Associate Principal for students with last names, K-Z*

**Mr. Brian Heimark,**  
*Director of Athletics/Activities*

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS

**Mary Zentgraf**

**Kathy Sanders**

**Tammy Strupp**

**Heidi Wood**

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Mr. Vitale




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## Important Dates 2021-22

### APRIL

- 15-18 **\*No School\*** Break
- 25-29 **Aspire Testing** (9-10)

### MAY

- 2-13 **AP Testing** (Gray Gym) TBD
- 9 Academic Awards – 6:00-7:30pm Burgundy Gym
- 11 Senior Athletic Awards 6:30 pm
- 16-20 AP Late Testing
- 18 SOE/Youth Apprenticeship Employer Appreciation Breakfast (7:15am-9:15am)
- 19 Senior Pennant Celebration – Burgundy Gym 2nd Period EVEN 9:45-10:30
- 20 Senior Holiday – Davian's
- 21 Junior Prom
- 25 Scholarship Night – 7pm
- 26 Transition Day – 8th Grade Tours
- 26 NHS Induction – Auditorium 7pm
- 30 **\*No School\*** Memorial Day

### JUNE

- 2 & 3 **Senior / Final Exams**
- 4 Band Bunch Metals Recycling Drive 8:00am-12-Stadium Parking lot
- 8-10 **Grades 9, 10, 11 / Final Exams**
- 9 **Grad Practice**-Seniors/Burgundy Gym 1:45 -2:45pm
- 10 Last Day of School – Half Day
- 10 **Graduation** – 7:00 – 9:00pm – Schumann Stadium or Burgundy Gym if rain (tickets required –limit 4 inside)  
Graduates pick up Diploma/Grad Grams after ceremony in Gray Gym



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## *From the Desk of Associate Principal* **Mr. Kirk Woosencraft**

Spring is upon us! The semester is moving by at a rapid pace. Students please continue to show Falls pride by making good choices at school, and in our community. Also, let's remain focused on our academics as we move into the 4th qtr.

A few ideas below for students and families as we go through 2nd semester on ways to continue to stay on task and prioritize:

To do well in school, students must learn to focus. They must be able to concentrate on one thing and not be distracted. To strengthen your teen's ability to stay focused:

**Help them recognize when they are not focused.** Say, "I think you've lost your focus" when you see them fidget, daydream, yawn or stare into space.

**Don't make lack of focus a crime.** Your student needs to be able to admit when they lost their concentration. Blaming them only makes them defend themselves. They are likely to make excuses instead of figuring out ways to focus.

**Help them prioritize.** It will be easier for your teen to focus when they know what to do first, second and third.

**Encourage them to break large tasks into smaller ones.** Students lose focus when a task is overwhelming.

**Slow things down.** Don't move or talk too fast yourself. And comment when you see your student speeding up. Ask, "Are you taking your time?" and "Have you stopped to check your work?" Get your student to relocate. If they lost focus, it might be easier to refocus in another place, free from distractions.

**Minimize distractions.** Make rules about TV and phone time, computer and video games. Schoolwork should come first.

**Avoid interrupting.** When your teen is working on schoolwork, don't remind him them to do something else.

Always give your best and make everyday a new day! If you have any questions, please contact me at (262) 255-8444, visit the school during the regular school hours, or email me at [wooskir@sdmfschools.org](mailto:wooskir@sdmfschools.org).







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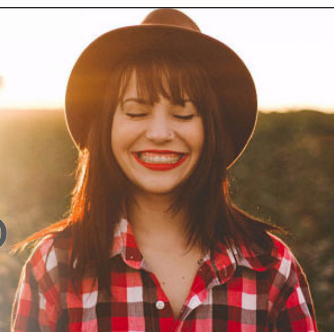
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