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“It is going to be a great year in Cane Country as we strive to keep MDHS Empowered for Excellence!”

Who's Who at MDHS

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Employees of the Year

Forbes Magazine says that great employees are reliable, ambitious, good communicators, optimistic, self-managed, humble and team players. Mount Dora High School is blessed with a host of people who serve our students and our community that display these characteristics daily. It takes a team to keep a school running. This year, it is our pleasure to announce our Employees of the Year as nominated and voted on by our staff.

Teacher of the Year

Cindy Bellamy, *Career Tech - Agriculture*

Rookie Teacher of the Year

Cody Adkinson, *Forensic Science & Biology*

School Related Employee of the Year

Charles “Chuck” Fortin, *Head Custodian*

CTE Spotlight

Congratulations are officially in order... Mount Dora High FFA received an award in June for one of “Florida’s Finest Chapters.” This honor was bestowed upon us at the State Convention. Out of all of the Florida’s High School and Middle School chapters, we were selected to be one of 35 chapters recognized and running for a National Chapter Award.

The results are in and we are being honored at the end of October for the National Chapter Award at the 91st FFA National Convention in Indianapolis.

I have three individual students earning National recognition for American Degrees (only ½ of 1% of all FFA members ever earn this honor) and a National finalist for the Firestone/FFA Art Award.

Also, our FFA Alumni has some events coming up to help fund their trip. Please support us by eating at

- Five Guys Burgers on 10/10/19
- Sonny’s Bar B Que on 10/17/19

-Cindy Bellamy, *FFA Advisor*

Aladdin Jr

“Aladdin Jr” Presented by Cane Musical Theatre classes will hit the stage November 21st and 22nd at 7pm. This is the first year we are rolling out this Musical Theatre course and we are excited to be presenting “Aladdin Jr” as the inaugural production. The production will be produced entirely by the 60 students who are enrolled in the musical theatre courses and under the direction of Mrs. Laird. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the door or reserved by emailing Mrs. Laird at lairdm@lake.k12.fl.us.

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Out Of Field Notification

Florida state law requires that **Mount Dora High** notify a parent or guardian when a teacher in a district school system is assigned teaching duties in a class dealing with subject matter that is outside the field in which the teacher is certified.

Cathy Ratliff who is currently instructing your child in **Geometry**, meets the criteria for parental notification under this law. The teacher is currently working toward certification in the desired area Math 9-12.

Cristina Ormeno who is currently instructing your child in **ELA**, meets the criteria for parental notification under this law. The teacher is currently working toward certification in the desired area English 9-12.

Sarah Greinke, Gina Rigby and Grisel Santiago Perez who are currently instructing your child in **ELA/DLA**, meets the criteria for parental notification under this law. The teacher is currently working toward certification in the desired area ESOL.

Based upon a review of the teacher's educational background, I believe that these teachers/teacher are qualified to successfully deliver instructional services to your child. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Month	Date	Event
October	October 11	End of First Grading Period (Friday)
	October 14	Non-Student Day/Teacher Work Day (Monday)
	October 15	Classes Resume/Second Grading Period Begins (Tuesday)
November	November 11	Veterans Day/Student Holiday (Monday)
	November 25-29	Thanksgiving Holiday/Student Holiday (Monday-Friday)
December	December 19	End of Second Grading Period (Thursday)
	December 20-31	Winter Break/Student Holiday (Friday-Tuesday)
January	January 1-3	Winter Break/Student Holiday (Wednesday-Friday)
	January 6	Non-Student Day/Teacher Work Day (Monday)
	January 7	Classes Resume/Third Grading Period Begins (Tuesday)
	January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday/Student Holiday (Monday)
February	February 17	Presidents' Day/Student Holiday (Monday)
March	March 12	End of Third Grading Period (Thursday)
	March 13	Non-Student Day/Teacher Work Day (Friday)
	March 16-20	Spring Break/Student Holiday (Monday-Friday)
	March 23	Classes Resume/Fourth Grading Period Begins (Monday)
	March 28	Prom @ Lake Receptions
April	April 10	Non-Student Day (Friday)
May	May 21	Graduation @ 7 PM
	May 25	Memorial Day/Paid Holiday (Monday)
	May 29	Last Day of Classes/End of Fourth Grading Period (Friday)
<i>Storm Make-up Days will be determined as needed</i>		

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Parents are encouraged to schedule conferences with their child's Guidance Counselor during the school year to discuss credits, graduation options, post-high school plans and concerns. Please call our Guidance Desk to schedule.

College Visits

Juniors and Seniors in good standing may stop by Guidance to pick up a College Exploration pass to attend college presentations or visit college campuses.

Florida Statewide Grading Scale

MDHS utilizes the statewide grading scale, adopted by the FL Legislature in 2001:

Percent	AP / Dual Enrollment	Honor Classes	All Other Classes
90-100%	A – 6.0	A – 5.0	A – 4.00
80-89%	B – 5.0	B – 4.0	B – 3.00
70-79%	C – 4.0	C – 3.0	C – 2.00
60-69%	D – 3.0	D – 2.0	D – 1.00
0-59%	F – 0.0	F – 0.0	F – 0.0

Mental Health

Hello Parents and Students,

My name is Dr. Clinkscales, and I am the new *Mental Health Liaison* for Mount Dora High School. Some of you may already know me, because I was your child's school counselor last year. In this new role, I am able to meet with students to discuss their emotional, social, and mental health concerns that may impede academic success.

As the mental health liaison (MHL) for the school, I work with teachers to integrate Restorative Practices/Circles that are utilized to build relationships in the classroom between students and teachers. At MDHS we utilize this district initiative to get to know our students. It is important to seek understanding, listen, and then give feedback to affirm our students. Restorative circles can be utilized for the following: relationship building, conflicts, and with content to assess a deeper level of thinking. Restorative Circles help to build self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, and relationship skills. This process allows student to be heard, repair the harm and build community.

In addition to Restorative practices, individual counseling, group counseling, referrals to on site/ off campus therapists are a part of what I do here at MDHS. In the event of a crisis, as the MHL I will mediate, and contact parents and other personnel necessary to ensure student safety, as well as follow up with services. Awareness and prevention are vital to help our students navigate through highschool, peer interactions, and academics in this technology driven society. I look forward to working with you this year to help our students achieve Wellness as well as academic success!

-Dr. Clinkscales



To obtain a copy of the [LCS Restorative Practices Informative Booklet](#) or for more information regarding the use of Restorative Practices in Lake County Schools, please contact your child's school or Ms. Zhakima Spratley, Administrative Coordinator of SSAE at 352-253-6888 or SpratleyZ@lake.k12.fl.us.

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School Volunteers

Anyone interested in volunteering, chaperoning field trips or working with students must be an approved volunteer. Please fill out the volunteer application at www.lake.k12.fl.us and let Dr. Slack (Slackc@lake.k12.fl.us) know you applied. The process takes approximately 2 weeks.

Deliveries to the Office

Please do not deliver food items to the office for students other than your own. Due to food allergies we cannot allow you to bring food for students other than your own.

Checking Out Students

For the safety and security of all students, parents must come into the Attendance Office to check out their child. Students are not permitted to check out for lunch.

Transcript Requests

Part of the college application process involves having an official transcript sent from MDHS. Students can request a transcript by coming into Guidance and filling out a transcript request form. Paper transcripts are sent for a fee of \$2.00 per transcript.



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Athletic Department Contacts 2019-2020

Athletic Department	Name	Email
Administrator of Athletics	Kyle Bracewell	bracewellk@lake.k12.fl.us
Athletic Director	Bill Larkin	larkinw@lake.k12.fl.us
Assistant Athletic Director	Jason Hutchins	hutchinsj@lake.k12.fl.us
Athletic Trainer	Brandy Feagan	feaganb@lake.k12.fl.us

Fall Sports

Sport	Name	Email	Start Date
Bowling (B/G)	Cody Watkins	Watkinsc1@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019
Cross Country (B)	Erik Belanger	Belangere@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019
Cross Country (G)	Cody Adkinson	adkinsonc@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019
Football	Frank Scott	scottf@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019
Golf (B/G)	Ted Dwyer	dwyert@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019
Spirit Cheer	Lizz Schlotter	schlottere@lake.k12.fl.us	
Swimming (B/G)	Tod Joossens	Joossenst@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019
Volleyball	Kevin Gifford	giffordk@lake.k12.fl.us	July 29, 2019

Winter Sports

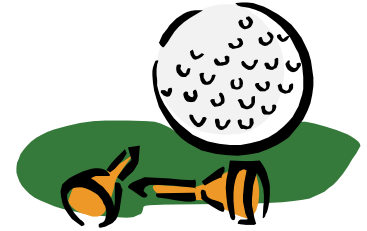
Sport	Name	Email	Start Date
Weightlifting (G)	Jason Hutchins	hutchinsj@lake.k12.fl.us	October 14, 2019
Soccer (B)	Eric Zachman	ezachman19@gmail.com	October 21, 2019
Soccer (G)	Brian Farwell	farwellb@lake.k12.fl.us	October 21, 2019
Basketball (G)	Susan Heggie	heggies@lake.k12.fl.us	October 28, 2019
Basketball (B)	John Liptak	Jlip14@yahoo.com	November 4, 2019

Spring Sports

Sport	Name	Email	Start Date
Weightlifting (B)	Jason Guido	guidoc@lake.k12.fl.us	January 7, 2020
Softball			January 21, 2020
Track (B/G)	Cody Adkinson	adkinsonc@lake.k12.fl.us	January 21, 2020
Tennis (B/G)	Rodney Torrance	torrancerr@lake.k12.fl.us	January 21, 2020
Baseball	Chad Drosiek	drosiekoc@lake.k12.fl.us	January 28, 2020

Baseball Golf Tournament

Come Join Us on December 7th at the Mount Dora Golf Association for a great day of golf and prizes. Cost is \$70 per player for a four person scramble. Registration begins at 10:30 AM and Tee Off is at 1:00 PM. Lunch is provided. Contact Chad Droseiko, Head Coach to play at droseikoc@lake.k12.fl.us. Hole Sponsors and Prize Donations are welcome.



Athletic Clearance

All students must be cleared with a current physical that is uploaded to AthleticClearance.com prior to participating in any conditioning, practice or athletic contests. Please see Mr. Larkin, Athletic Director if you need assistance.

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Boys Soccer

Day	Date	Opponent	Where	Time
Tues.	Nov. 12th	Eustis	Away	5:30 -7:00
Thur.	Nov. 14th	Umatilla	Away	6:00
Mon.	Nov. 18th	Bishop Moore	Away	6:00 -7:30
Mon.	Dec. 2nd	Lake Mary	Away	5:30 -7:00
Wed.	Dec. 4th	East River	Home	6:00 -7:30
Thur.	Dec. 5th	Windermere	Home	6:00 -7:30
Mon.	Dec. 9th	Apopka	Away	6:00 -7:30
Thur.	Dec. 12th	Lake Minneola	Away	5:30 -7:00
Tues.	Dec. 17th	Umatilla	Home	6:00
Thur.	Dec. 19th	Mount Dora Christian	Away	5:30 -7:00
Wed.	Jan. 8th	Tavares	Away	5:30 -7:00
Thur.	Jan. 9th	Windermere	Away	6:00 -7:30
Sat.	Jan. 11th	Eastside	Away	11:00am
Mon.	Jan. 13th	Eustis	Home	5:30 -7:00
Mon.	Jan. 15th	Lake Mary	Home	5:30 -7:00
Fri.	Jan. 17th	Eastside	Home	5:30 -7:00
Wed.	Jan. 22nd	Tavares	Home	5:30 -7:00

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Varsity Time
Monday	11/18	Umatilla	Mt. Dora	6:00
Tuesday	11/19	Tavares	Tavares	6:00
Thursday	11/21	Real Life Christian Academy	Mt. Dora	6:00
Monday	12/2	South Lake	Mt. Dora	6:00
Thursday	12/5	Lake Weir	Mt. Dora	6:00
Monday	12/9	Springstead	Mt. Dora	6:00
Tuesday	12/10	Tavares	Mt. Dora	6:00
Thursday	12/12	Umatilla	Umatilla	6:00
Monday	12/16	Covenant Preparatory Christian Academy	Orlando	6:00
Wednesday	12/18	Cypress Creek	Cypress Creek	6:00
Tuesday	1/7	Lake Weir	Lake Weir	6:00
Monday	1/13	Covenant Preparatory Christian Academy	Mt. Dora	6:00
Wednesday	1/15	Forest Lake Academy	Apopka	6:30
Friday	1/17	Cypress Creek	Mt. Dora	6:00
Thursday	1/23	Harmony	Mt. Dora	6:00
Monday	1/27	Springstead	Springstead	6:00
Tuesday	1/28	Eustis	Eustis	6:00
Thursday	1/30	Leesburg	Mt. Dora	6:00
Friday	1/31	South Lake	South Lake	6:30
Monday	2/3	Lake Forest Academy	Mt. Dora	6:30

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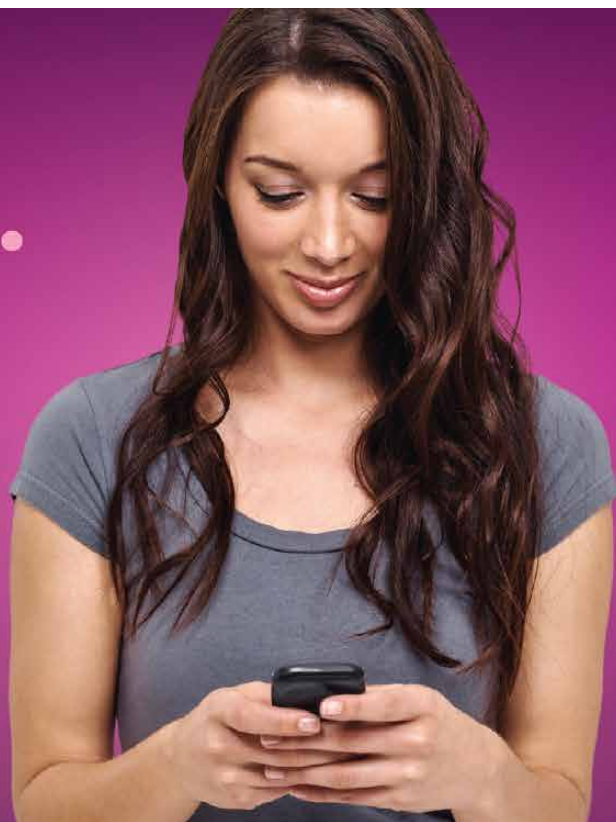
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Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Tuesday	11/19/2019	FCA Preseason Tipoff(Varsity)	TBA
Thursday	11/21/2019	FCA Preseason Tipoff(Varsity)	TBA
Thursday	12/5/2019	Colonial (Away)	5:30 & 7:00
Monday	12/9/2019	Apopka (Away)	6:00 & 7:30
Friday	12/13/2019	Bishop Moore (Away)	5:30 & 7:00
Monday	12/16/2019	East Ridge (Home)	5:30 & 7:00
Tuesday	12/17/2019	Eustis (Away)	5:30 & 7:00
Thursday	12/19/2019	West Port (Home)	6:00 & 7:30
Thur-Sat	12/26-28/2019	Saint Stephens Christmas Shootout	TBA
Thursday	1/9/2020	Lake Weir (Home)	6:00 & 7:30
Saturday	1/11/2020	Lecanto Shootout (Varsity)	TBA
Tuesday	1/14/2020	Tavares (Home)	5:30 & 7:00
Thursday	1/16/2020	OCP (Away) (Varsity)	TBA
Friday	1/17/2020	West Port(Away)	6:00 & 7:30
Tuesday	1/21/2020	Bishop Moore (Home)	5:30 & 7:00
Friday	1/24/2020	Trinity Catholic (Away)	6:00 & 7:30
Tuesday	1/28/2020	Eustis(Home)	5:30 & 7:00
Thursday	1/30/2020	Lake Weir (Away)	5:30 & 7:00
Friday	1/31/2020	Minneola (Home)	5:30 & 7:00
Monday	2/3/2020	East Ridge (Away)	5:30 & 7:00
Tuesday	2/4/2020	Trinity Catholic (Home)	5:30 & 7:00

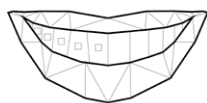
Lady Canes

Head Coach: Brian Farwell (farwellb@lake.k12.fl.us)

Day	Date	Opponent	Location	JV Time	Varsity Time
Tuesday	11/12	Umatilla	Umatilla	4:00	5:30
Thursday	11/14	South Sumter	Mount Dora	5:30	7:00
Monday	11/18	Windermere	Mount Dora	6:00	7:30
Tuesday	11/19	Trinity Catholic	Mount Dora		5:30
Thursday	11/21	Eustis*	Mount Dora	5:30	7:00
Monday	12/02	Lake Highland Prep	Mount Dora	5:30	7:00
Tuesday	12/03	Leesburg	Leesburg	5:30	7:00
Monday	12/09	Umatilla	Mount Dora	4:00	
Tuesday	12/10	Lake Minneola	Mount Dora	6:00	7:30
Friday	12/13	Barron Collier	Barron Collier		6:00
Saturday	12/14	Gulf Coast	Gulf Coast		11:00am
Monday	12/16	MDCA	MDCA		6:30
Wednesday	12/18	Pine Ridge	Mount Dora	5:30	7:00
Tuesday	1/7	East River	Mount Dora		6:00
Thursday	1/09	Apopka	Mount Dora	5:30	7:00
Monday	1/13	Eustis*	Eustis	5:30	7:00
Tuesday	1/14	East Ridge	East Ridge	5:30	7:00
Friday	1/17	Edgewater	Edgewater	6:00	7:30
Wednesday	1/22	The Villages	The Villages	5:30	7:00
Thursday	1/23	Masters Academy	Mount Dora (Senior Night)		6:30

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Girls Weightlifting

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Day	Date	Opponent	Location	Start
Wednesday	10/30/19	Lake Minneola	Lake Minneola	3:00
Wednesday	11/6/19	Eustis	Eustis	3:30
Wednesday	11/13/19	Lake Minneola	Mt. Dora	3:00
Wednesday	11/21/19	Umatilla	Umatilla	3:30
Wednesday	12/4/19	Tavares	Mt. Dora	3:30
Wednesday	12/11/19	Eustis	Mt. Dora	3:30
Wednesday	12/18/19	Tavares	Tavares	3:00
Wednesday	1/8/20	East Ridge	Mt. Dora	3:30
Thursday	1/16/20	Umatilla and MDCA	Mt. Dora	3:30

10/15- First Week Regular Season

1/13- Last Week Regular Season

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Athletic Director: Bill Larkin (larkinw@lake.k12.fl.us)

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