

### **MHS Winter Achievements: A Few Highlights**

I can't think of a better antidote to winter than the inspiring achievements of our high school students, who demonstrate their talents and successes in so many different ways (too many to enumerate here, so what follows is just a small sample). Congratulations to them, and to the dedicated teachers, coaches, counselors, administrators and other staff members who continuously support them and help them find their passions.

On a personal note, I myself have a child graduating from high school at the end of the academic year. I join all of our district parents of seniors who are now feeling the sometimes conflicting emotions of happy anticipation for what lies ahead and the nostalgic realization of how quickly time passes. I wish all of us the ability to slow down the pace and be present-minded whenever possible, so that we can really enjoy and appreciate these last few months of our students' secondary school experience.

Best wishes,

Mackey Pendergrast Superintendent of Schools



### **Division 2nd Place in State-Wide Math Competition!**

MHS ranked second among high schools in its size category at the 42nd Annual Association of Mathematics Teachers of New Jersey (AMTNJ) High School Mathematics Contest on December 12. Students from around the state were administered a 45-minute math exam covering a range of topics from pre-algebra through precalculus.

Math superstars Ingrid Suazo (12th grade), Duncan Wild (12th grade), Peter Hong (11th grade), Veeraj Arora (12th grade), and Vivian Liu (9th grade) competed against other high schools with greater than 1250 students. Ingrid won 2nd place and Duncan won 3rd place among individual students.





### MHS Wind Ensemble Plays at Prestigious State Conference!

The MHS Wind Ensemble earned a coveted spot as one of only three high school wind ensembles from the state of New Jersey selected to perform

a one-hour concert at the NJ Music Educators Association State Conference in East Brunswick on February 22.

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# MHS Mock Trial Team Advances in Competition!

Congratulations to our Mock Trial Team for advancing to the quarterfinals in the 36th Annual Morris County Mock Trial Competition.

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## Historic Season for Girls Swim Team!

Ranked 6th in NJ following an outstanding performance in the state finals, the Colonials won the Morris County championship for first time in 20 years!

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## Outstanding Sportsmanship: Unified Bowling Exemplifies Colonial Pride!

It was a great first season for our Unified Bowling Team, whose precision skills were on display at their final match against Morris Knolls High School.

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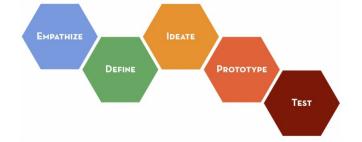


## Humanities Academy Students Present Project Proposals at Morristown/Township Library

Students in our Humanities Academy have been getting valuable feedback on their final projects at the "In the Schools" forums held at the town/township library. These public critiques have offered students ways to strengthen their projects and have directed them to a variety of resources in the community.

The Humanities Academy introduces students to the principles of Design Thinking, which they then apply to their coursework and research. The program culminates in an original senior project—an in-depth, self-directed creation. Projects this year include a self-produced music album, a fashion-design/photography exhibit exploring Latinx heritage and modernity, a short story collection, a one-act play, and a translation of "La Vie en Rose" into Mandarin Chinese.

Additional public forums will be held on Tuesday, 3/12, at 6 PM in the MHS Learning Commons and on Monday, 3/25, at 7 PM in the Morristown/Township Library at 1 Miller Road. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the Humanities Academy and to support our students as they navigate the design process.





## **Great Things are Happening** in **STEM!**

The STEM Academy at Morristown
High keeps growing and growing! This year,
we received the highest number of
applications since the program's inception.
Congratulations to all of our 8th graders who
will be entering the Academy as the Class of
2023!

The **second annual "Girls in STEM Day"** brought 50 middle school girls to MHS to learn all about the wide range of STEM

offerings at our high school as well as the diversity of professional possibilities in STEM fields. **Many thanks to our Girls in STEM Club** for the overwhelming success of this event!

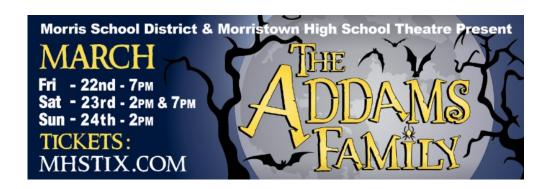
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