



The High School at Moorpark College
7075 Campus Road, Moorpark, CA 93021



February 1, 2021

Good Evening HSMC Family!

Thank you for continuing along with us on our 2020-2021 school-year journey. As we enter February it is important to recognize and celebrate Black History Month. This article from The Oprah Magazine briefly explains why we especially celebrate Black History this month (<https://www.oprahmag.com/life/a26077992/why-is-black-history-month-in-february/>). Additionally, February 1 - February 5 is School Counselors Week. Help me say thank you to Mrs. McIntosh and Mrs. Reyes!

It continues to be our intention to keep you updated via weekly news updates, school website postings and updates to our social media. In each of these updates I will provide the most recent information related to our COVID19 response. At this point, cases continue to rise in Ventura County and our county indicator remains in “the purple.” **At this point, it is our intention to remain DISTANCE-ONLY at least through April 2 (the end of our Spring Break).** We intend to return under our blended model when we return for the fourth quarter in Early April. Certainly, things can change between now and then, and I will keep you updated as to the nature of those changes.

Below, you will find the link to an updated survey to indicate your preference for your student if/when we move to a blended return. This survey will be similar to what you were asked in July, but we would like to gather updated data as people’s choices may have changed since then. Please complete this survey within the next week for us to be able to build a schedule that accommodates all of our families’ desires.

- Please use the link below to indicate your learning model choice for your student:
 - <https://forms.gle/KWHKEQL6wJMWckHC7>
- If you chose the “distance learning model” nothing will change for your student and they will complete the school year with the same schedule they have had so far this semester.
- If you chose the “blended learning model” your student will attend classes at a distance multiple days per week, and in person on other days.
 - The days your student will be assigned to be in-person will be dependent on the final results of this survey, school-wide. Our plans will be developed based on the number of responses in each category. The most likely outcome is that a blended student will attend classes in person 2 days per week and at a distance 3 days per week.
- It is our intention to have final cohorts and schedules to all students/families before we leave for spring break at the end of March.

If you are trying to get ahold of us via phone, it is important to note that our school phone number has been updated. We can be reached at 805-378-6312. If we do not immediately answer, please leave a voicemail and we will return your call as soon as possible. Additionally, you can always reach us via email using the email addresses listed on the final page of this update. I will continue hosting weekly principal’s office hours for drop in questions on Wednesdays at noon meet.google.com/osg-aoam-cgh. I continue to be incredibly excited for all of our upcoming events this year. Thank you again for your support for the High School at Moorpark College. Have a great week!

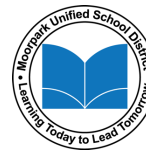
Sincerely,

Christopher J. Fennell Ed.D.

Principal - The High School at Moorpark College



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Associated Student Government Updates

Mrs. Jessica Hendrix-Sandoval (jhendrixsandoval@mrpk.org)

- **Social Media:** Do you **LOVE** The High School at Moorpark College? Let us know! Help us spread the word about this incredible and successful school. Please follow these links and tell us your experience with our wonderful school.
 - <https://www.facebook.com/Officialhsmc/>
 - <https://twitter.com/OfficialHSMC>
 - [@officialhsmc](#) on Instagram
 - **YouTube channel COMING SOON!**
- **Senior Portraits, Quotes, and Superlative Surveys due February 8th- PLEASE SEND LATE PORTRAITS ASAP**
 - Seniors, please choose the best in our superlative categories through the Senior Superlative Survey. Survey responses due by Feb. 8th.
 - Senior quotes are optional. They should be about the length of a tweet (140 characters or so). If your quote is from another person, please credit them. Please be sure your quotes are school appropriate. Please see the attached yearbook information for more details.
- **Spirit Day Valentine's Colors Day Feb. 4th**
 - Thursday February 4th is Valentine's Day Colors Day! Wear pink and red to all your Google Meets. Send your selfies to the yearbook at hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com. Happy Valentine's Day!
- **Valentine's Day Pictionary Thursday February 11th 5:30pm**
 - The ASG Activities committee and Art Club are teaming up to bring you a fun filled Pictionary event! This event will allow you to team up virtually with other HSMC students and families and guess the Valentine's Day themed drawings! Use the following Google Meets link and sign in with your PERSONAL EMAIL address. <https://meet.google.com/nda-jmet-opx>
- **Spirit Day Under the Sea Day Feb. 18th**
 - Thursday February 18th is Under the Sea Day! Wear blue or your ocean themed attire to all your Google Meets. Send your selfies to the yearbook at hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com.



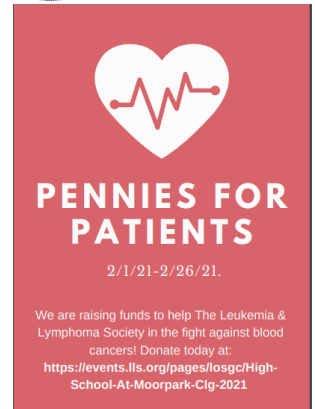


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- **Pennies for Patients Fundraiser Feb. 1st-26th**

- It is our annual tradition to raise funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) *Hero Squad* Program, also known as Pennies for Patients (P4P). Pennies for Patients is working with thousands of schools across the country to raise funds for blood cancer research and patient support services. The High School at Moorpark College has partnered with LLS to take on the mission of ending cancer once and for all. Please share this information with family and friends so that we can successfully reach our goal in raising money for this very worthy cause. You can visit the following website to donate:
- <https://events.lls.org/pages/losgc/High-School-At-Moorpark-Clg-2021>



- **NEW HSMC Red Cross Club- Begins Friday Feb. 19th**

- You have the power to do good for our community! We have the opportunity to create change! The American Red Cross is about giving a hand and helping those who have experienced physical disaster and its effects. Come check out our HSMC Red Cross Club interest meeting on **Friday, February 19 from 1 pm to 2 pm** at <http://meet.google.com/ees-bsib-jmj>. Here you will meet others who want to help and find out more about projects you can assist with.
- If you have any questions, please contact the club's founder Casey Ojeda at 5116663@mprk.org or join the [club's remind](#) to be kept up with information.





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- **7th Annual Phoenix Rising Talent Show and Auction Friday March 12th**
 - HSMC students have talent! Please join us for our 7th Annual Phoenix Rising Talent Show and Auction on Friday March 12th!
 - **Please submit videos of student performance to ASG President Elijah Frankle at 5102863@mrpk.org by February 26th.** Performances should be under 5 minutes and be school appropriate.
 - **March 12th** will also be our **online auction** with many wonderful prizes including a handmade quilt, tickets to some of southern California's most wonderful venues, and opportunities to dine with HSMC staff! All auction proceeds will go toward end of year student activities. Links to our auction website will be sent out closer to this date. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Sandoval at jhendrixsandoval@mrpk.org.

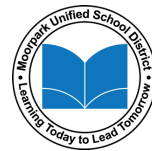


- **HSMC Art Club Fridays at 12:30pm**
 - This week's Art Club theme was New Year's Art Resolutions! Bring your artistic talents and passion for art and meet virtually with other artists and art lovers on Fridays from 12:30-1:30 at meet.google.com/eyw-otxs-sna. Each week the art club's work is featured in the HSMC newsletter! Art club also has wonderful opportunities for scholarships, collaboration in school events, and showcasing art in the community! We hope to see you there. For more information, please email the club's founder Emily Fisher at 5100307@mrpk.org.
- **Yearbook Information**
 - The yearbook team is already working hard to put together an amazing 2021 yearbook, but we need your help! Please send **Valentine's Day photos, winter break photos, holiday photos, baby photos, pet photos, friend photos, car photos, photos of you and your family or HSMC friends** to hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com
 - See attached yearbook information for customizing and ordering a yearbook.





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- Yearbook website for customizing and ordering: www.treering.com (Please see the instructions below)
 - **Purchase price:** \$50
 - **Yearbook customization and purchase deadline:** April 9th, 2021
 - **HSMC Passcode:** 1014109872723234
 - 2 free customization pages for each student
 - One tree planted for every yearbook purchased
 - Quick delivery to HSMC
 - For any yearbook related questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jessica Sandoval at jhendrixsandoval@mrpk.org.

To Customize your Yearbook Pages:

Create Your Free Personalized Yearbook Pages For
 High School @ Moorpark College

1 Add Photos
 Add your favorite photos from your phone, computer or Facebook account, and have them printed in your copy of the yearbook.

2 Add Memories
 Answer questions about your year and capture your very best moments. You can even include a photo to go along with them.

3 Send Bling
 Send your friends Bling. Clever, full-color badges that contain expressions of friendship and humor.

4 Sign Books
 Make your friends smile by sending them a digital signature that includes a personal photograph.

5 Personalize Your Yearbook
 Add all of your memories to your two free personal pages that will be printed in your unique copy of the yearbook. Need more room? You can add more pages!

Capture Your Memories in this Year's High School @ Moorpark College Yearbook!



Add Photos & Memories to Your 2 Free Custom Pages

- » Add photos from your computer, Facebook & Flickr.
- » Add memories & photos from throughout the year. Share them with your classmates to include in their personal pages.
- » Send and receive Bling and signatures. A great way to share expressions of friendship!

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook*:

- 1 Go to www.TreeRing.com/validate
- 2 Enter our school's passcode: 1014109872723234

Yearbook Price: \$45

Deadline: Apr 10

SENIORS ONLY

Senior Portraits:

- **Must be submitted by DECEMBER 11, 2020**
- Must have a 480x720 resolution quality
- Do not have to be taken by a professional photographer, but the lighting, quality, and content must be professional in nature

****Senior Dedication pages will be on sale in Spring 2021****

HSMC recommends the following photographers for Senior Portraits:

CornerStone Photography
 5352 Bonsai St. Moorpark, CA
 (805) 529-3187
www.imagesbycornerstone.com

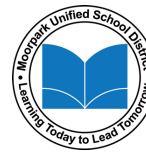
Evan Guston Photography
 9734 Variel Ave. Chatsworth, CA
 (818) 427-3615
www.egseniorphoto.com

O'Connor Brothers Photography
 58 Moreland Rd. Simi Valley, CA
 (805) 306-9542
www.oconnorbrosphtography.com

Please be on the lookout for information regarding Senior Dedication pages in the Spring!



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Counseling Corner

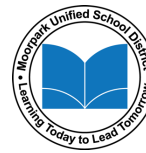
Dyan McIntosh (dmcintosh@mrpk.org)

Paola Reyes (preyes@mrpk.org) (Fridays 8-12)

- Presentations this week:
 - Mon. Feb. 1st:
 - 11th grade Naviance Training
 - 9th grade Naviance Career Assessments
 - Wed. Feb. 3rd:
 - 10th grade Naviance Career Assessments
 - 11th grade Naviance Career Results
 - Mon. Feb. 8th:
 - 10th grade Naviance Career Results
 - Thursday Feb. 18th:
 - HSMC Information Night - Please spread the word!
- SCHOLARSHIPS
 - CSMAR 2021 Scholarship Information:
 - The Conejo Simi Moorpark Association of REALTORS Public Benefit Foundation holds many events during the course of the year to raise funds to benefit local high school seniors. As a result of those efforts, we are able to award scholarships to qualified students from such local high schools, the High School at Moorpark College being one. This year we will be awarding five (5) scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 each to those students that meet the minimum qualifications and complete the CSMAR Scholarship Award Application.
 - No school will be awarded more than one (1) scholarship.
 - Attached our application, official flyer (please feel free to share) and we also have an online application available as well.
 - <https://www.cognitofrms.com/ConejoSimiMoorparkAssociationOfREALTORS/conejosimimoorparkassociationofrealtorsincscholarshipawardapplication2021>
 - The application along with the 2 letters of recommendations, and transcripts must be delivered/mailed to our office by 5:00 pm on April 16, 2021.
 - Young Women in Public Affairs
 - Recognizing young women for their commitment to volunteerism, volunteer leadership achievements and dedication to empowering women worldwide:
 - The Zonta Club of Conejo Valley Area is pleased to announce their 2021 Young Women in Public Affairs Scholarship.
 - This is a local scholarship for college-bound 11th and 12th grade female students with an opportunity to advance to District and International levels. Several scholarships are awarded each year at the local level.
 - I have attached the application form which is due March 1st by either email or PO Box. The application does require letters of recommendation and transcript (unofficial okay).
 - More information about our scholarships can be found at www.zonta-conejo.org.



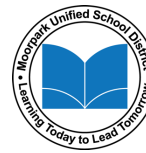
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- **FAFSA**
 - The California Student Aid Commission uncovered a startling statistic this month. Data shows FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) completions are down by 12% among graduating high school students and California Dream Act Application (CADAA) completions are down 19%. Most financial aid is contingent on filing a FAFSA or California Dream Act Application.
- **Cal Grant**
 - March 2 deadline to submit applications for the Cal Grant. The Cal Grant offers free money for California students attending a California community college, UC, CSU, or a fully online or independent, non-profit university. We encourage students and parents to attend one of the upcoming virtual Cash for College workshops led by professionals and often hosted by community colleges. The workshops provide resources and individualized support for filling out financial aid forms. For more information about the workshops, the financial aid applications or the Cal Grant, visit icanaffordcollege.com.
- **Moorpark College First Year Experience program**
 - This year, the First-Year Experience program (formerly the Guided Pathway to Success Program) welcomed more 1st-year students than ever before and continues to walk alongside students in support of their first foray into college life. There is also a new Second Year Experience program that will allow for this support to continue!
 - Students should sign up between January and May 2021 for entry into the 2021-2022 program.
 - This program remains 100% free and comes with Student Success Coaches assigned to students that act as mentors, listeners, and support students' affective domain as they traverse college pathways.
 - Students are partnered with dedicated Academic Support Counselors who regularly check in with and help guide students.
 - This program is a wonderful opportunity for students to be part of a community at MC, and they can get the true university experience while they attend community college.
- **Free Confidence Building Podcast**
 - The GoZen! Stories podcast launches tomorrow (2/2) and is totally free! The first season, called Kid Confident, is about a high school freshman named Kacey who struggles with confidence, friendships, and belonging. With some help from the mysterious Kid Confident, Kacey learns the skills to transform her anxiety into courage and confidence.
 - Where do you listen for free?
 - Listen to the podcast for free on iTunes, Google Play, or on Spotify. Be sure and subscribe for free so you're notified when the first two episodes go live tomorrow, February 2nd! Kid confident is 10 episodes, so you do NOT want to miss out on what happens each week and subscribers are the first to hear all about it.



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Front Office News

Ms. Mariana Gaeta (mgaeta@mrpk.org)

- **PLEASE DO NOT JUST “DROP BY” THE HSMC CAMPUS.** Our office is closed unless you have an appointment. Please call or email Ms. Gaeta to schedule a time to meet on campus. **Visitors will now be required to go through checkpoints at the College even if they are just picking up/dropping off.** The closest checkpoint will be by the Child Development Center on Campus Dr, just past the turn they would normally take to get to HS@MC. They will need to have the VCCCD app downloaded on their smartphone and select "visitor" in order to take the pre-screen survey. They will need to leave their device on the "Clear to be on campus" screen at the end of the survey and show that to the attendant at the checkpoint in order to get an all clear health pass on the app as well as a colored wristband(color will vary by day).
- Parents/Guardians **MUST** call us at (805)378-6312 ext. 7293 to report tardies or absences within 48 hours, 72 hours on Fridays or holidays (even students that are 18 or over, while they are attending HS@MC they are still considered a K-12 student and must have parent/guardian report for them for attendance purposes). Per District policy emails cannot be used.
- The Moorpark Unified School District Technology Office is providing support to our MUSD families with a technology support hotline which can be reached at **(805) 517-2100**. Live support will be available from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday. Please be aware this IT number is only for technical issues with our Chromebooks.
- Any issues with Moorpark College Canvas or ConferZoom must be directed to the Moorpark College Canvas Support team at (805) 553-4858 or mconlinestudentsupport@vccd.edu. Additional resources such as Canvas Tutorials, a live chat box(during business hours) and an after-hours phone line for Moorpark College students can be found on the [Student Online Support](#) page.



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The High School at Moorpark College Staff and Contact Information

School Phone Number:	805 - 378 - 6312	
Website:	www.hsmc.mrpk.org	
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Mariana Gaeta	Staff Secretary	mgaeta@mrpk.org
Dyan McIntosh	Counselor	dmcintosh@mrpk.org
Paola Reyes	Counselor	preyes@mrpk.org

TUTORING INFORMATION

As a Moorpark College student, you are entitled to free tutoring in multiple subjects. See below for more details.

DEPARTMENT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MATH & SCIENCE CENTER 805-378-1556 mcmc@vcccd.edu <i>(Drop-In Tutoring Only)</i> ZOOM DROP IN LINK	10:00AM-6:00PM				10:00AM-2:00PM	11:00-2:00PM
WRITING CENTER* 805-553-4850 mcwritingcenter@vcccd.edu <i>(45min Appointments, Drop-Ins, & General E-mail Consultations)</i> APPOINTMENT LINK	9:00AM-6:00PM			9:00AM-6:00PM DROP IN HOURS W/FRANK 11:00AM-2:00PM ZOOM LINK 1 or ZOOM LINK 2	10:00AM-2:00PM	DROP IN HOURS W/CHRIS 11:00AM-2:00PM ZOOM LINK 1 or ZOOM LINK 2
WORLD LANGUAGES & ESL <i>(Drop-Ins Only)</i> Beth Gillis-Smith egillissmith@vcccd.edu Tracy Tennenhouse ttennenhouse@vcccd.edu	SPANISH W/SUSANA 3:00PM-5:00PM ZOOM LINK 1	SPANISH W/ZOE 12:00PM-3:00PM ZOOM LINK 1 or ZOOM LINK 2 ESL (GRAMMAR) 2:00PM-4:00PM ZOOM LINK	SPANISH W/SUSANA 3:00PM-5:00PM ZOOM LINK 1 GENERAL ESL W/FAYE 2:00PM-4:00PM ZOOM LINK	SPANISH W/ZOE 12:00PM-3:00PM ZOOM LINK 1 or ZOOM LINK 2 ESL (CONVERSATION) 2:00PM-3:00PM ZOOM LINK	NO SESSION	CLOSED
ONLINE TUTORING	Free online tutoring for Moorpark College students in multiple subjects via NetTutor .					

*NOTE:

- Arrive 5mins early to your Writing Center appointment to sign in.
- **1** 45min Writing Center session per day, **2** Writing Center appointments per week, and **12** Writing Center appointments per semester.
- Writing Center e-mail consultations are for **general writing assistance only**, read the [E-mail Consultations](#) section of their website for instructions.