



October 19, 2020

Good Evening,

Thank you for continuing along with us on our 2020-2021 school-year journey. You have my continued gratitude for all of your support and flexibility as we begin the second quarter of the school year. 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, our academic plan is to remain distance-only through the end of the first semester (matching Moorpark College). We intend to return under our blended model when we return for the second semester on Wednesday, January 6. Certainly, things can change between now and January, and I will keep you updated as to the nature of those changes.

Later this week, we will be sending progress reports for high school courses. Please be sure to check QSIS (student/parent connect), and CANVAS for the most updates grades for high school and college coursework. Our PSSA and our School Site Council are looking for members. If you would like to nominate yourself or another member of our school community, please send me an email with the name of the person you are nominating and the organization you are nominating them to. The organizations help determine the specific plans for the High School at Moorpark College.

Registration for Spring Semester college courses will take place beginning on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. McIntosh (HSMC counselor), Mr. Hess (Moorpark College counselor), and I will be meeting with advisory classes the week of October 26<sup>th</sup> and hosting a parent information session on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Mr. Hess will be providing drop-in college counseling services on the 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup> of October. Individual education plan meetings will take place with Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores during the week of November 2.

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 <u>meet.google.com/osg-aoam-cgh</u>. 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





# Associated Student Government Updates

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

# • Spirit Day Oct 22 Tacky Tourist Day

 Hawaiian shirt and cargo shorts will abound on Tacky Tourist Day! Grab those binoculars and cameras and show us your spirit in your Google Meets classes. Please send photos of you in your spirit gear to <u>hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com</u>.

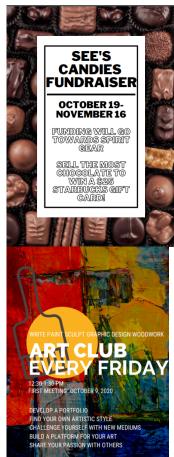
# Tacky Tourist



- See's Candy Fundraiser Oct. 19th-Nov. 16th
  - The See's Candy Spirit Gear Fundraiser is happening **NOW through Monday November 16th**! You can purchase delicious See's Candy to help fund Spirit Gear for our students. Please click on (AND SHARE!) the link below to purchase candy. All goods purchased will be shipped directly to your home. The top candy sellers from each grade level will receive a \$25 Starbucks gift card for their efforts in supporting our school. HSMC students and staff thank you for your participation in this fundraising event!
  - https://www.yumraising.com/secure/highsam hsmc sees candy fundraiser68/candy?h=Jes Hen2668&c=fb5615

# 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
  - <u>@officialhsmc on Instagram</u>
- HSMC Art Club every Friday at 12:30!
  - HSMC is forming an Art Club! Bring your talents and passion for art and meet virtually with other artists and art lovers on Fridays from 12:30-1:30 at <u>meet.google.com/eyw-otxs-sna</u>.
  - For more information, please email the club's founder Emily Fisher at <u>5100307@mrpk.org</u>.







- Spirit Day Nov. 5th Class Color Day
  - Thursday Nov. 5th is Class Color Day! Show your school spirit by wearing your grade level color.
    - Freshmen <u>YELLOW</u>
    - Sophomore GREEN
    - Junior BLUE
    - Senior PINK
  - Be sure to take a selfie and send it to the yearbook staff at <u>hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com</u>!



Class Colors

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 Our Autumn themed virtual Trivia Night will be on Friday November 13th at 5:30pm! Students can participate with their families to compete for a prize! Please see your email for Google Meets links and be sure to sign in with a personal email address.



#### • Yearbook Information

- The yearbook team is already working hard to put together an amazing 2021 yearbook, but we need your help! Please send QUARANTINE HOBBIES, HALLOWEEN PHOTOS, baby photos, pet photos, friend photos, car photos, photos of hobbies and interests to hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com
- See attached yearbook information for customizing and ordering a yearbook.



- Sr. Portraits due December 11th
  - Seniors must submit a Senior Portrait to the yearbook gmail <u>hsmcyearbook2021@gmail.com</u> by December 11th in order for it to appear in the yearbook. Senior portraits do not have to be taken by a professional photography studio, but must be professional in nature. Please see the attached yearbook information for more details.





- Yearbook website for customizing and ordering: <u>www.treering.com</u> (Please see the instructions below)
  - **Purchase price:** \$50
  - o 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 <u>jhendrixsandoval@mrpk.org</u>.

#### Capture Your Memories in this Year's **To Customize your Yearbook Pages:** High School @ Moorpark College Yearbook! Create Your Free Personalized Yearbook Pages For High School @ Moorpark College mill N'S SENIOR YEAR Add Memories Add Photos FRENDS Send Bling Sign Books CALL ME MASSE In Cardy Die Jepsen AL A MA ill Add Photos & Memories to Your 2 Free Custom Pages Add photos from your computer, Facebook & Flickr. To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook\* Personalize Your Yearbook or memories to your tw ges that will be printed of the yearbook. Need Go to www.TreeRing.com/validate » Add memories & photos from throughout the year. Share them with your classmates to include in their personal pages. Enter our school's pa 1014109872723234 » Send and receive Bling and signatures. A great way to share expressions of friendship 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.oconnorbrosphotography.com

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



# **Counseling Corner**

# Mrs. Dyan McIntosh (dmcintosh@mrpk.org)







- Financial Aid Fact of the Month
  - **Financial Aid Fact** Did you know that the income cap for the
    - California Middle-Class Scholarship has increased from \$177,000 to \$184,000? Keep in mind that the new cap applies to students enrolled in a CSU or UC during the 2020-21 year and the cap may increase for families applying for financial aid for the 2021-22 year. So all California families should apply, no matter what their income. For more information on financial aid at UC, please take a look at this short clip.
      - Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=701714360442422
      - Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/p/CFzhXLoJwaX/

### **College Application Tips:**

- o California State Universities (23 CSU's) Oct. 1-Dec. 4th
- o University of California (9 UC's) Nov. 1-30th
- Private and out of state universities have a variety of deadlines
  - \*Watch for Early Decision and scholarship deadlines



# • Personal Insight Questions:

- \*These are NOT essays.
- \*They are looking for clarity, understanding, and perspective of how you spent your time in high school.
- \*Use facts before feelings. Context and depth of knowledge is important. \*Make sure they are learning something about you and not someone else.
- $\circ$  \*Do not use abbreviations or a term that the reader will not understand.

# • Activities & Awards Section:

- \*May list up to 20 activities Focus on 4 years of high school only!
- Make sure you are clear no acronyms
- \*If a class, academy, or activity relates to your major talk about it. \*May list non academic courses and activities i.e. Art class at Community center, Teacher's Aide, volunteer, work experience, babysitting, dog sitter etc... \*Do not need to make full sentences
- \*If you played a sport or instrument: Give details of time spent

# • Letters of Recommendation:

• If your college requests a letter of recommendation, please fill out a brag sheet and give your recommender 2 weeks to prepare your letter. As a part of the Common Application, the counselor (me) will need to write you a letter of recommendation. Please get them to me ASAP and ask for a Google Meet so that I can get to know you better.





# **Moorpark College Free Tutoring**

- <u>The Learning Center</u> at Moorpark College offers free tutoring to all MC students.
  - They offer sessions by (virtual) appointment, drop in or group Zoom meetings for various subjects.
  - Some tutoring sessions are unique to a specific CRN in the course catalog and students may be required to co-enroll in them when taking a certain course.
    - These are known as <u>Course Embedded Tutoring (CET) & Peer Assisted Learning</u> <u>Sessions (PALS)</u>.
    - Students can visit their webpage, check their Professor's class syllabus or reach out directly to the Tutorial Services Specialists at 805-553-4839 or email Deb Brackley deborah\_brackley1@vcccd.edu Emmanuel Guerrero emmanuel\_guerrero1@vcccd.edu for more information on CET and PALS tutoring.
- For information on all other tutoring departments, please visit the links below and follow their instructions for setting up appointments or joining a session. When in doubt, *ask for help!* 
  - COL M05 "Supervised Tutoring Across the Curriculum"
  - To use tutoring services, students will be enrolled in COL M05, "Supervised Tutoring across the Curriculum." COL M05 is a 0 unit course. It is not graded. It does not appear on transcripts. It is free to all currently registered Moorpark College students.
- World Languages & English as a Second Language(ESL)
  - Spanish Drop In Session Links
  - Tuesdays & Thursdays (12pm-3pm with Zoe)
    - https://zoom.us/j/9913897078?pwd=RVdHMWhSVVpOa2ZDNWptSUl1UzlpZz09
  - Mondays & Fridays (3pm-5pm with Susana)
    - https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/93093264770
- French Drop In Session Links
  - Mondays & Wednesdays (2pm-3pm with Faye), Fridays (4pm-5pm with Faye) https://zoom.us/j/7730531101?pwd=QXBpY2IEdkdYN1Z3MWhIbTB1cWFyZz09





- Math & Science Center
  - Drop-in Tutoring Link
    - https://vcccd.accudemia.net/?fwd=/private/virtualsign/join/ac74cb96-b3c9-43b9-b85 5ac0801407016/elchydfqauxoqbhnapbv/
  - Office Hours:
    - Monday Thursday: 10am-7pm
    - Friday: Closed
      - Saturday: 11am-2pm
  - Contact Us:
    - mcmc@vcccd.edu
    - **805-378-1556**
  - Coordinators/Faculty
    - Rena Petrello <u>renapetrello@vcccd.edu</u>
    - Esther Kim <u>ekim1@vcccd.edu</u>
- The Writing Center
  - Appointment Link (One-on-one, 45 minute sessions)
    - https://mcwritingcenter.appointy.com/
  - NEW! Drop In Session Links(*Thursdays & Saturdays* only from 11am-2pm) <u>https://www.moorparkcollege.edu/departments/student-services/the-teaching-and-lea rning-center/writing-center/make-an-appointment</u>
  - Office Hours:
    - Mondays Thursday: 9 am-6 pm
    - Fridays: 10-2 pm
  - Drop In Hours:
    - Thursday & Saturday Only: 11am-2pm
  - Contact Us:
    - mcwritingcenter@vcccd.edu\*
    - 805-553-4850
  - Coordinators/Faculty
    - Beth Gillis Smith <u>egillissmith@vcccd.edu</u>
    - Tracy Tennenhouse <u>ttennenhouse@vcccd.edu</u>

\*NOTE: Please follow the instructions on the website prior to emailing any writing questions or submitting any written work for general feedback. You are not required to be enrolled in a Moorpark College English course to receive assistance, but you are still required to follow procedure same as all Moorpark College students.





# Front Office News

# Ms. Mariana Gaeta (mgaeta@mrpk.org)

- 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.
- ParentConnect pins and passwords can be provided upon request from our main office.
- Parents that would like to plan for vacations around our school calendar can visit our HS@MC website <u>here</u> OR request a 2020-2021 copy from our main office. Reminder: Moorpark College does not recognize recess days so students should expect to follow their class schedule for college classes as usual unless directed otherwise by their Professors. Students can review the Moorpark College calendar for more information by visiting the College website <u>here</u>.
- 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 7:00 PM Monday through Friday starting Monday August 24th. 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 <u>mconlinestudentsupport@vcccd.edu</u>. 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 <u>Student Online Support</u> page.
- 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).
- Alternatively, we can continue to communicate by mail, email and phone. Anything mailed should be addressed to HS@MC to ensure it is placed in our inbox at the College's mailroom.





# **The High School at Moorpark College Staff and Contact Information**

805 - 378 - 6312

School Phone Number: Website: Brian Friefeld Jessica Hendrix-Sandoval Eric Hoobs Melissa Pistone Bryan Sudberry Kari Treese Chris Fennell Mariana Gaeta Dyan McIntosh

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