



# Panther Nation

The Panther Way | Build Relationships. Serve Others. Pursue Excellence.

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## NEED TO KNOW!

**Office Hours**  
7:00 AM - 3:30 PM  
509.465.7000

**23/24 School Hours**  
(High Schools)

**Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri**  
8:00 AM - 2:35 PM

**Wednesdays**  
8:40 AM - 2:35 PM

No late-start Wednesdays on  
11 October 2023  
24 January 2024  
14 February 2024  
12 June 2024

**Yearbook/ASB Picture Day**  
**Retakes:** Friday, 20 October

**Open House**  
Thursday, 28 September  
6:00-8:00 PM

**Homecoming**  
Game @ Union v. CV  
Friday, 29 September, 7:00 PM

**Dance @ MHS**  
Saturday, 30 September  
8:00 - 10:00 PM  
Ticket required

**Non-Student Day**  
Friday, 6 October  
Staff Learning Improvement Day

**Senior Pictures Due!**  
Friday, 6 October  
Upload to  
<https://hjeshare.com/eShare/>  
CODE: meadsenior2024

**Veteran's Day**  
Friday, 10 November  
No School

## OPEN HOUSE THIS WEEK!

It's hard to believe that the month of September is drawing to close and we are already done with the first month of school! The first month has been full of packed out student sections at games, our first fire drill of the year, and amazing energy. Panther Nation is the place to be.

One of our most favorite times of year is having you in our building to meet your Panther's teachers and connecting with each other. You should have received a hardcopy letter this week via your Panther that invites you to Open House on Thursday, 28 September. Didn't receive that letter from your Panther? [CLICK HERE](#). It includes the schedule of events and a place for your Panther to fill in their class schedule. Or, you can see your Panther's class schedule via PowerSchool (see p. 3 for "PowerSchool Family Access").

The Club Fair begins at 6:00 PM along with a time for families to connect before heading off to classrooms. We have both school-sponsored clubs, activities, and athletics represented at the Club Fair, as well as outside organizations. Families with Senior Panthers...don't miss the Senior-All Nighter 2024 table (see SAN flyer on p. 2). We look forward to seeing you tomorrow night!

Checkout the rest of this newsletter for all that is happening in and around Panther Nation.

Hoorah! *Kimberly*

## Stay in the Know BULLETIN DE BELONGING

Keep up-to-date on a daily basis of all that is going on at Mead, including the daily bell schedule; athletic and club events; school-wide events; community opportunities; scholarship and college visit information; the lunch menu; and more.

For the live, daily bulletin, [CLICK HERE](#).  
For archived editions, [CLICK HERE](#).

## STUDENT HANDBOOK

The New Panther Student Handbook is available on the MHS Website. Tons of information and resources: [CLICK HERE](#).



- 6:00 - 6:30 PM: Club Fair & Social
- 6:20 - 6:30 PM: Zero Hour Rotation
- 6:35 - 6:45 PM: Period 1 Rotation
- 6:50 - 7:00 PM: Period 2 Rotation
- 7:05 - 7:15 PM : Period 3 Rotation
- 7:20 - 7:30 PM: Period 4 Rotation
- 7:35 - 7:45 PM: Period 5 Rotation
- 7:50 - 8:00 PM: Period 6 Rotation

# HOMECOMING INFORMATION



**HOMECOMING DANCE**  
Greek Gardens

302 W Hastings Rd  
Spokane  
Mead High School  
8:00 - 10:00 PM

**09.30  
2023**

**TICKET & STUDENT ID REQUIRED**  
See details for more information.

We've learned a lot about security measures for our dances and large activities. Families continue to partner with us regarding concerns of drugs and alcohol being present not only during dances, but also before and after the event on party buses and at rented venues.

- Here is what we have planned for security at MHS on Saturday:
1. Extra security, law enforcement, and chaperones on site during the event;
  2. Additional security sweeps;
  3. A security station before students can enter MHS for the dance, including bag checks (no large bags or backpacks allowed);
  4. Student tickets are not transferrable to any other student. Ticket number and student will be matched before entry.
  5. No party buses are allowed on Mead campus. Buses that linger on property will be directed to leave and subject to law enforcement contact.

Homecoming is a school-sponsored event. Any students who come to Homecoming under the influence, or sneak in contraband and partake at Homecoming, will be subject school discipline (10 day suspension), athletic/activity code violation discipline, and consequences by law enforcement.

**Thank you for partnering with us** to ensure Homecoming remains a safe and fun event for all.

## MORE HAPPENINGS!



Presented by  
*Wendy's*

Saturday, 14 October | Union Stadium | 9:00 AM



## BLOOD DRIVE

Because of you, life doesn't stop.

**MEAD HIGH SCHOOL BLOOD DRIVE**

Thursday October 12<sup>th</sup>  
3:00PM – 7:00PM  
Mead High School  
302 W Hastings Rd  
Spokane, WA 99218

Schedule your Life-saving Appointment Today!  
Contact Mr. Lamberd or Scan the QR code Above!

APPOINTMENTS are encouraged.

Ask us how you can POWER UP your donation.

**To make an appointment:**

SCAN QR code or visit Vitalant.org

CALL 877-258-4825 877-25-VITAL

Use the VITALANT DONOR APP

vitalant Blood Donation

# SENIOR ALL-NIGHTER

save the date  
**06.07.24**

Immediately Following Graduation  
Triple Play | Hayden, Idaho

For more details and other information visit the SAN table at Open House during the Club Fair on Thursday, September 28 at 6:00 PM!

Want to get involved? Email the committee at [meadseniors@gmail.com](mailto:meadseniors@gmail.com)

Senior All-Nighter is a parent-sponsored event

Checkout the Athletics & Activities page for more events.

## COLLEGE & CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

### Spokane National College Fair | Tuesday, October 24 Spokane Convention Center

The National College Fair is free and open to students and families. The College Fair runs from 9:00am-12:00pm and 6:00pm-8:00pm. It provides a great opportunity for students to explore college options with over 100 colleges in attendance. Students can learn information regarding financial aid, college applications, admissions, 2-4 year transfer processes, and so much more.

Mrs. Thornton, our College/Career counselor, will be taking interested seniors who bring back a completed permission slip to the 9:00am session. All Grade 9-11 students are welcome to attend the evening session. More information can be found here: <https://www.nacacattend.org/23Spokane>

### WSU Regents Scholarship (Seniors only)

The WSU Regents Scholars Program recognizes Washington's top high school students. Each Washington high school is allowed to nominate two of their most distinguished seniors who are planning on applying to WSU in the fall of 2024 and want to compete for the Distinguished Regents Scholarship (a full ride scholarship given to 10 students in the state). The Regents Scholarship is looking for community leaders, academic innovators, and committed scholars! Any senior who is planning on applying to WSU and would like to be considered for one of MHS's nomination spots must complete the Regents Nomination Request Form located in their grade level google classroom.

### ASVAB (Juniors and Seniors only)

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. It is administered annually to more than one million military applicants, high school, and post-secondary students. The better the ASVAB score, the better the options.

**MHS is offering the ASVAB on Tuesday, November 28.** The ASVAB can also count as a Graduation Pathway with at least the minimum score of 31 on the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT) portion of the test. We encourage all students who are not sure of their post-high school plans to take the ASVAB.

Juniors and Seniors can sign-up for the ASVAB via their Class Google Classroom or by talking to their School Counselor.

[CLICK HERE](#) for ASVAB practice questions and information.

## COUNSELORS' GOOGLE CLASSROOMS

Have you signed-up for your "Class of..." Google Classroom? If you have not yet, we encourage you to do it sooner than later. Tons of information shared about graduation information, scholarships, class events, and more. Families, encourage your student to "invite" you to join their Google Classrooms.

### Ms. Thornton | College and Career

All College and Career information is shared via each "Class of..." Google Classroom.

For appointments, stop by the College and Career Center, or call 7027.

### Mr. Phillips | Class of 2024

Join code: fpdzvic

### Ms. Harkness | Class of 2025

Join code: grto66q

### Mr. Strate | Class of 2026

Join code: q2sbpro

### Ms. Fender | Class of 2027 and Advanced Placement

Join code (class): xoodej5

### Ms. Chandler | Advanced Placement

Join code (AP): 5fwfz4i



## POWERSCHOOL | FAMILY ACCESS

### Need Help Accessing your Panther's PowerSchool Information?

We can help!

1. The first thing you need is your guardian ID number and password. This information is available by contacting Student Services at 509.465.7112.
2. Then follow the step-by-step instructions located in [this document](#).

## MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS AT MHS

We are fortunate to have a mental health counselor one day a week in our building this year to provide ongoing support to students. Center for Solace works with the majority of private insurances. If your Panther is interested in connecting with a counselor each week and would appreciate the convenience of not having to leave the building, please reach out to your student's grade level counselor for more information

## UPCOMING GRADING TERM

**Term 1 Grading ends** Friday, October 13. Grades are due by midnight on Sunday, October 15.

PowerSchool is great way to keep tabs on early progress.

BE. *belong.* BECOME.

# ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

## JUST A FEW HIGHLIGHTS....

Friday, 29 September	Homecoming Game. Mead v. Central Valley @ Union, 7:00 PM
Saturday, 30 September	Homecoming Dance. Mead High School, 8:00-10:00 PM.
Saturday, 14 October	<u>Pacific NW Marching Band Championships</u> @ Union, 9:00 AM
Tuesday, 24 October	Choir Concert, Mead Theatre, 7:00 PM
Thursday, 26 October	Cat Fight! Varsity Volleyball @ MSHS, 7:00 PM
Friday, 27 October	Battle of the Bell. Varsity Football v. MSHS @ Union, 7:00 PM
Monday, 30 October	MHS Orchestra Spooktacular, 6:00 PM Concert, 6:30 PM Carnival
Thurs-Fri, 8-9 November	MHS Fall Drama Production, <i>Laughing Stock</i> by Charles Morey
Sat-Sun, 11-12 November	MHS Bandwagon Annual Craft Fair, MHS Mall (more details to come)
Monday, 13 November	Winter Sports Begin
Tuesday, 14 November	Jazz Concert, Mead Theatre, 7:00 PM
Thurs-Sat, 16-18 November	MHS Fall Drama Production, <i>Laughing St</i>
Monday, 4 December	Freshmen Holiday Hangout: Cocoa and Crème, Mead Mall, 3:00-5:30 PM
Friday, 8 December	Holiday Choir Concert, Mead Theatre, 7:00 PM
Saturday, 9 December	Spokane Showdown, Cheer Competition, Mead Gym, Competition begins 11:00 AM
Monday, 11 December	Eggnog Evening (MHS Talent Show), Mead Mall, 7:00 PM, \$5.00 Admission.
Tuesday, 12 December	Holiday Orchestra Concert, Mead Theatre, 7:00 PM
Thursday, 14 December	Holiday Band Concert, Mead Theatre, 7:00 PM

Get more info via the Athletics page.

**BATTLE OF THE BELL**

MEAD HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERS VS MT. SPOKANE WILDCATS

27 OCTOBER | UNION STADIUM | 7:00 PM  
TELEVISIONED LOCALLY ON SWX

### TICKETS ON SALE

MONDAY, 10.16.2023  
AT 12:00 PM

TO PURCHASE TICKETS, GO TO  
[MEAD.HOMETOWNTICKETING.COM/EMBED/ALL](http://MEAD.HOMETOWNTICKETING.COM/EMBED/ALL)

OR USE THIS QR CODE



UP TO FOUR (4) TICKETS PER ACCOUNT.

WE EXPECT A SOLD OUT CROWD

### IMPORTANT NOTES

- High school students with current ASB designation on their Student ID card and GSL Sports Pass Holders do not need to purchase tickets to attend.
- All students Grade 8 and younger must be accompanied and supervised by an adult.
- Help keep our event safe and sane: Arrive sober, stay sober, leave sober.
- No vaping, smoking, or other drugs.
- No outside food/drink.
- No re-entry is allowed.
- Purses, diaper bags, and clear bags allowed.
- No backpacks allowed.
- All bags are subject to search.

### PRE-GAME TAILGATE

HOSTED BY  
MEAD & MT SPOKANE BOOSTERS  
5:30 PM | Union Grass Fields

## 2023-24 GSL SPORTS PASS



[Click here to order](#)

Order a GSL Sports Pass before Cat Fight and Battle of the Bell!

## PREPARE FOR GRADUATION!



[Click here to order online!](#)

Order that cap, gown, and tassel now!  
You can also buy other graduation swag like hoodies, rings, and announcements.  
Senior Week begins Monday, October 2.  
Jostens will visit MHS during lunches on Wednesday, October 4.

## Interested IN A WINTER OR SPORT SPORT?

### WINTER SPORTS

Boys Basketball  
Girls Basketball  
Unified Basketball  
Girls Gymnastics  
Boys/Girls Wrestling

### SPRING SPORTS

Baseball (boys)  
Boys/Girls Golf  
Boys Soccer  
Unified Soccer  
Softball (fast-pitch; girls)  
Boys/Girls Tennis  
Boys/Girls Track & Field

### REGISTRATION

All athletes must register in FinalForms.  
• Participation Fee (\$45) and ASB \$50 required.  
• [Click here to register online.](#)

Mead School District and Mead High School adopted the "I Love U Guys" Foundation's Standard Response Protocol (SRP) for safety and security common language and training. Students and staff will train, practice, and drill this protocol. To update families on this new language, and how will communicate various incidents' to families, please refer to this guide. For more information, visit [loveuguy.org](http://loveuguy.org).

# IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



## HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

### STUDENTS

Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced  
Do business as usual

### ADULTS

Close and lock the door  
Account for students and adults  
Do business as usual



## SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

### STUDENTS

Return to inside of building  
Do business as usual

### ADULTS

Bring everyone indoors  
Lock outside doors  
Increase situational awareness  
Account for students and adults  
Do business as usual



## LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

### STUDENTS

Move away from sight  
Maintain silence  
Do not open the door

### ADULTS

Recover students from hallway if possible  
Lock the classroom door  
Turn out the lights  
Move away from sight  
Maintain silence  
Do not open the door  
Prepare to evade or defend



## EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)

### STUDENTS

Leave stuff behind if required to  
If possible, bring your phone  
Follow instructions

### ADULTS

Lead students to Evacuation location  
Account for students and adults  
Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults



## SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy.

### STUDENTS

Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard

#### Hazard

Tornado  
Hazmat  
Earthquake  
Tsunami

#### Safety Strategy

Evacuate to shelter area  
Seal the room  
Drop, cover and hold  
Get to high ground

### ADULTS

Lead safety strategy  
Account for students and adults  
Notify if missing, extra or injured students or adults