



MSD Visual and Performing Arts Goals

- By the end of the 23-24 school year, MSD will clearly communicate and coordinate VPA events & activities
- By the end of the 23-24 school year, MSD will strengthen VPA community partnerships to enhance student, family, and staff opportunities, experiences, and professional development.
- By the end of the 23-24 school year, MSD will conduct a review of current VPA offerings, considering stakeholder feedback and NJSLS VPA standards. Review will be used to inform future planning and instruction.

MSD Visual and Performing Arts



The Morris School District is proud to provide ample opportunities in the Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) from Kindergarten through 12th grade. Our teachers are extremely dedicated and skilled in promoting and developing creativity, aptitude, and enthusiasm, within their respective field.



MSD VPA Teachers

Armstrong, Lance

Beadle, Timothy

Boothby, Jim

Bozza, Amy

Brown, Cassandra

Caputo, Emily

Carroll, Deborah

Compton, Rachel

Davis, Norma

Erlenborn, Gillian

Escobedo, Nicole

Francesco, Renata

Gallagher, David

Kievning, Brian

Levigne, George

Lukacs, Scott

Malko, Lindsey

Mamolen, Lee

Marullo, Brad

Montague, Tara

Ocasio, Ariel

Olivier, Joanne

Ostendorp, Liz

Polcaro, Cathy

Rubin, Stephanie

Rodrigues, Erin

Scott, Christine

Schwam, Ariella

Summa, Mary Ann

Tombilin, Samantha

Urgino, Roland

Worts, Mary

Art in the Atrium Partnership: STEAM Student Program



MHS has partnered with Art in the Atrium to host the ATA STEAM program for 7 nominated MHS students.

Art in the Atrium is a non-profit organization dedicated to the value of Black visual arts and its role in culture.

The ATA STEAM program is a unique opportunity for high school students to explore and engage in a multidisciplinary learning experience around the arts, reinforcing the mission and vision of the organization.

The program includes classes held at MHS to foster art appreciation and creation, as well as two field trips to ATA exhibits at the County Courthouse and Novartis.

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ATA Scholars

Zoey Saint Juste
Emmanuella Ngankion
Michelle Ona
De'Shawn Kelly
Jahaan Lawrence
Shayla'faith Janvier



Morris Museum

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In January, the Morris Museum hosted a K-5 Family Night for elementary students and families. Students and families had a great time exploring the museum and all its exhibits. We are looking forward to partnering with the Morris Museum to offer additional student and family events in the future!





The Morris Educational Foundation (MEF) works year-long in collaboration with the Morris School District community to bring resources to all students and all schools.

In addition to all the great things MEF does, they also help support artists in residency programs and cultural arts trips for our district!





Mayo Performing Arts Center

MPAC partners with the Morris School District in many ways.

They have provided a plethora of cultural arts experiences for our students!

Some highlights from this year include:

- Cultural Art Residencies
- Morristown OnStage
- Field Trips
- Student Art Gallery Exhibit
- MPAC Students of the Month



MHS Mary Poppins

Directed by Stephanie Rubin with musical direction
by David Gallagher

Paper Mill Playhouse's Rising Star Awards

Nominations

Outstanding Performance By A Featured Ensemble Member

- Charlotte Cama - Bird Woman

Outstanding Performance By A Featured Ensemble Group -

Sweeps

Outstanding Costuming Achievement - Brenda Burns

Outstanding Hair & Make Up Achievement - Malik Letta,

Ollie Gonzalez

Educational Impact Award

Theatre For Everyone Inclusion & Access Award

Honorable Mentions

Outstanding Overall Production Of A Musical - Stephanie Rubin

Outstanding Achievement By A Director - Stephanie Rubin

Outstanding Achievement in Choreography and Staging -

Melanie Della Peruti

Student Achievement Award - Elizabeth Gillen - Vocal Captain



Congratulations to the
Cast, Crew, Pit, Directing
Team, and Parent
Volunteers - we are
Morristown proud!

MSD VPA Alumni

MHS Alumni Sydney Scheer('16)

- Most recently, a production assistant for the play Suffs on Broadway!
- Her theater debut began in 2009 as stage manager at the FMS plays and then the MHS plays.
- She was awarded a scholarship to Ithaca College and has gone on to do productions in London and off Broadway.



MSD Broadcasting

Under the guidance of Lance Armstrong, the MHS Broadcasting team has accomplished so much over the last few years!

We would like to celebrate his contributions, as well as the influence and impact of each individual student!



WJSV Station Managers

- Lilian Crean
- Eric Ottiano

WJSV Engineers

- Alec Ratterree
- John Cardinali

Colonial Corner Executive Producer

- Roman Santaniello

Colonial Corner News Staff

- Abigail Schnipp - Director
- Ilan Onignman - Technical Director
- Stephanie Morgan - Teleprompter Operator
- Thomas Zaklukiewicz - Cameras and studio setup (and Sports Anchor)

News Anchors

- Chris Lopez- Spanish News
- Gabriela Alvarado Rodriguez - Spanish News
- Morgan Zhao - English News
- Princesse Exavier - English News

Students of Recognition

VPA Next Steps

- Continue to build relationships with community organizations
 - Further K-5 residency opportunities
 - Create new connections
- Ensure students are able to access instruments
- Expand access of resources for art teachers
- Create innovative ways to inspire opportunities for young people to explore the arts

Thank you for coming!

