

SEAHAWK TALK (



SEPTEMBER 1-7, 2024

Coming Up:

September 2: School Closed for Labor Day September 9: Club Rush for Seniors September 10: Club Rush for Juniors September 11: Patriots Day Program September 12: Club Rush for Sophomores September 13: Club Rush for Freshmen Underclassmen Picture Day



Principal's Message

Kristin Altman

The Seahawks are off to a great start in the classrooms, on stage, and on the fields! We are proud of how our students have transitioned back to school life and are already quite focused on their learning.

Please be reminded of our MBHS policies and expectations as outlined in our Student Handbook. Some of the most common policies that should be reviewed are our cell phone, dress code, and tardy policies. Remember, students must arrive to campus early enough to go through the search process and still make it to their 1st block classes on time; the search line does not provide an excuse for being late to class. We recommend all students arrive to campus by 8:00 am. We also want to remind all students, particularly those taking PACE courses that they must exit campus through the main entrance lobby doors. For security, no other exit is permitted for use during the school day.

Our Athletic Hall of Fame Induction was held Friday evening during the half at Doug Shaw, We love celebrating the history of Myrtle Beach High School and decades of outstanding studentathletes. Congratulations: Robert Brown, Ashley Clark, Luke Edwards, Hazel Hatchell, Phil Hudson, Docshee Moore, Bruce Taylor, Octavias "OT" Thomas, Courtney Wagner, Jonathan Boggs, and Joanne Langfitt.

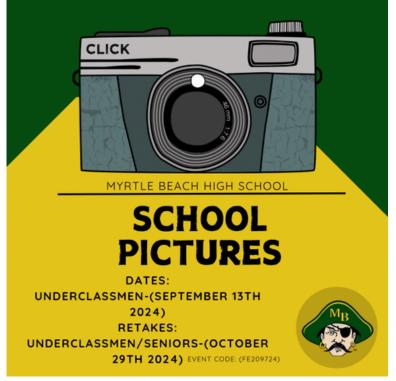
Congratulations to Kai Wilmot who finished 10th and medaled in the North Myrtle Beach Invitational Cross Country Meet on Saturday!



-This year, all car riders and car drivers will enter the building at the main lobby entrance. Clear backpacks should be worn directly on the back, using both shoulder straps. Students will be initially screened using the CEIA Opengate System. Metal tumblers, umbrellas, and glasses cases are known items that will alarm the system, so please do not pack these in backpacks. Students will then have their backpacks searched as a secondary search procedure. Reducing the amount of unnecessary items will expedite the search process. Students should bring no more than one pencil or personal pouch in their backpacks.

-MBHS dismisses at 3:30 pm. If you need assistance with bus route information, please use the interactive bus stop locator on the HCS web page or call the Myrtle Beach Area Bus office at 843-445-2041.

Horry County Schools has a clear backpack policy for the safety and security of our students, faculty, and staff. If you choose to utilize a backpack, you must adhere to the parameters provided in the HCS protocol flyer included in this newsletter.





Seniors! Your senior trip is scheduled for February 26th to March 2nd, and we will be going to both Universal Studios and Walt Disney World. The first 50 seniors to get their deposit of \$300.00 in will be guaranteed a place on the trip. The deposit, in the form of a check, can be given to Mr. Beck in B111 or Mrs. Lipscombe in Portable A. The Bookkeeper will not be taking any money for the senior trip! If you want to put it on a credit card, payments can be done in my payment plus. Once 50 students have made their deposit, we will start a waitlist. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mr. Beck or Mrs. Lipscombe as soon as possible.

• Parking MBHS

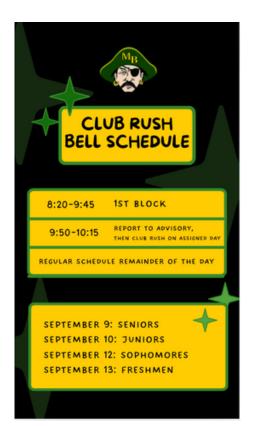
If you plan to drive to school during the 2024 - 2025 school year, please be sure to apply for a parking pass. Parking passes cost \$20.00 and can be paid for by visiting the <u>My</u> <u>Payments Plus</u> website. A pass will be issued to you once you have paid, completed the online parking pass application and uploaded all required forms.

Only one parking pass will be issued to a student and passes will be issued on a first come, first served basis. Seniors have a designated parking area, but parking spots will NOT be assigned. Please note, all outstanding fines must be paid in order to receive a parking pass. Vehicles parked on campus that do not display a parking pass or that are parked illegally are subject to ticketing and tow.



In order to receive a laptop for use during the school year, all outstanding technology fines must be paid. Please log into your account on the My Payments Plus website to check on any outstanding fines that may be owed. In order to take a laptop home and receive a charging cord, the \$25.00 technology fee must be paid.







2024 ED-OP **COLLEGE** *October 9, 2024 Myrtle Beach High Gymnasium 10:30am - 11:30am*

Meet College Representatives & Learn about Programs & Scholarships

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED at : StriveFair.com

SENIOR students may register at StriveFair.com and select the 10/9/24 event at Myrtle Beach High School. You will receive a barcode by text & email which you will use to enter the gymnasium a few hours prior to this event.



*This event is open to SENIORS ONLY



Over 50 Colleges expected to participate

For more information: See your Counselor

GRADE 10 SIGN UP TO TAKE THE PSAT TEST

on October 22



Are you college ready? Take the PSAT to get personalized feedback This test is great practice for the SAT® college entrance exam Use this feedback to help you improve before taking the SAT

Check your school email for a link or use the QR code below

The deadline to sign up is







SEAHAWK SUPPORTS FOR MENTAL HEALTH

YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

MYRON SHULER ANNE CRAWFORD STEPHANIE BYRDIC (LEAD COUNSELOR) SARAH KOHLMAN DEBBIE CORRIE RENN DOMINGUEZ LAST NAMES A-DA LAST NAMES DE-I LAST NAMES J-L LAST NAMES M-RI LAST NAMES RO-Z SPECIAL GROUPS

RBHS COUNSELORS

REHABILITATIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES (RBHS) IS DESIGNED TO SERVE STUDENTS WHO HAVE EMOTIONAL AND/OR BEHAVIORAL NEEDS. THE PROGRAM IS A SCHOOL-CENTERED, GOAL-DIRECTED, FAMILY-SUPPORTIVE COUNSELING SERVICE TO HELP STABILIZE OR STRENGTHEN THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT AND IMPROVE STUDENT ACADEMIC AND SOCIAL PERFORMANCES. STUDENTS ARE REFERRED FOR THIS SERVICE BY THEIR SCHOOL COUNSELOR.

OUR RBHS COUNSELORS: DANIELLE PRITCHARD & LATOYA SIMMONS.

CARE SOLACE

CARE SOLACE IS A COMPLIMENTARY AND CONFIDENTIAL CARE COORDINATION SERVICE THAT CAN HELP YOU QUICKLY FIND MENTAL HEALTH OR SUBSTANCE-USE TREATMENT OPTIONS MATCHED TO YOUR NEEDS.

CALL 888-515-0595, AVAILABLE 24/7/365 IN ANY LANGUAGE. VISIT WWW.CARESOLACE.COM/HORRYCOUNTY AND CLICK "BOOK APPOINTMENT" FOR ASSISTANCE BY VIDEO CHAT, EMAIL, OR PHONE.

MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS LINE

CALL THE NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE AT 1-800-273-8255, OR TEXT THE CRISIS TEXT LINE (TEXT HELLO TO 741741). BOTH SERVICES ARE FREE AND AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. ALL CALLS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.

CONTACT SOCIAL MEDIA OUTLETS DIRECTLY IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT A FRIEND'S SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATES OR DIAL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY.



YOU MATTER

Athletic Updates



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#MBSEAHAWKS

JV AND VARSITY SEAHAWK ATHLETIC EVENTS WEEK OF 9/2/24

WEDNESDAY 9/4 Cross Country @ Carolina Forest 5:30 PM

THURSDAY 9/5 Girls Tennis @ Waccamaw 5:30 PM & Boys Volleyball @ North Myrtle 6:00 PM

FRIDAY 9/6 Varsity Football @ Sumpter 7:30 PM

SATURDAY 9/7 Boys and Girls Varsity Swim @ North Charleston Invite 8:00 AM & Boys Vollleyball @ Eastside Invite



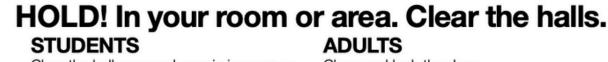




Athletic Updates



IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the "All Clear" is announced Do business as usual Close and lock the door Account for students and adults Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors. STUDENTS ADULTS

Return to inside of building Do business as usual

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 ADULTS

Move away from sight Maintain silence Do not open the door 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 ADULTS

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

Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard

Hazard Tornado Hazmat Earthquake Tsunami

Safety StrategyEvacuate to shelter areaSeal the roomJakeDrop, cover and holdJiGet to high ground

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



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Horry County Schools

A NEW DISTRICTWIDE PROTOCOL FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR.

HCS has implemented new safety and security tools for the upcoming 2024-25 school year this fall, and here's what you'll need to know.

Clear Backpacks WHAT

All students must carry clear backpacks if they carry a backpack to school. Students may carry a small, non-clear pouch in their backpack to hold personal items, such as cellphones, money, and hygiene products.

WHY

Clear backpacks provide another tool to ensure our highest priority, which is the safety and security of all members of the HCS community. Many large organizations, including the NFL, collegiate stadiums, and large-scale event venues, have implemented similar clear bag policies.

Security Screening WHAT

HCS has phased in screening devices in all schools for the 2024-25 school year. All individuals will be required to pass through screening devices when entering the building.

WHY

Screening devices increase the safety of students, staff, and visitors by reducing opportunities for prohibited items to enter the building.





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2024-25 Calendar

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Any non-instructional day, including Saturdays, may be considered a make-up day, due to school cancellation.

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Testing

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Dates for SCREADY and SCPASS assessments are May 9 - June 6, 2025. Dates for EOCEP - English II Reading, Algebra, Biology and USUC generatives are the lost 15

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Biology, and USHC assessments are the last 15 days of each semester. English II writing is the last 20 days of each semester. Final exams for high school students are the

last two days of the semester.

Report Card Dates

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Interim reports will be issued on September 20, 2024, December 4, 2024, February 25, 2025, and May 6, 2025.

Report cards will be issued by October 30, 2024, January 27, 2025, April 2, 2025, and June 10, 2025.

Emergency Closings

If at any time HCS determines the need for a delayed opening, early dismissal, or school closure, notification will be made via our mass notification system, HCS-TV, the HCS website, the HCS Mobile App, all forms of HCS social media, as well as the local news media. Please ensure that your student's records contain current contact information that will enable HCS to reach you during the school day and after hours. Report changes of information to your school.

Make-Up Days

October 14, 2024, October 15, 2024, and February 18, 2025, are possible make-up days. Any non-instructional day, including Saturdays, may be considered a make-up day due to school cancellation.

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First day of school: Aug. 19 Last day of school: June Last day for teachers: June Schools Closed Schools Closed/Possible Make-up Days Schools Closed/Possible Make-up Days Teacher Work/Staff Development Days Student Holidays Additional Staff Development Day for Teachers - Approved by the Board 2 1/2 Hour Early Dismissal for Students

Teacher Work/Staff Development Days -Student Holidays (Possible Make-up Days)

Transportation/Bus Offices:

If you have a question or concern about school bus transportation, call the bus office in your area.

Aynor	843.488.7125
Carolina Forest	843.236.0705
Conway	843.488.6094
Green Sea Floyds	843.392.3134
Loris	843.390.6822
Myrtle Beach	843.445.2041
North Myrtle Beach	843.399.8575
Socastee	843.293.6941
St. James	843.650.1937
District Transportation Office .	843.488.6957

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