

The Phoenixes' Call

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Native American Heritage Month:

Ben Nighthorse Campbell

By: Connor Poole



At the time he was elected to serve Colorado in the United States Senate in 1992, Ben Nighthorse Campbell was the only Native American serving in Congress and the first Native American to serve in the Senate in over sixty years. As a descendant of North Cheyenne Indian and a Portuguese immigrant, Campbell had many lives before he became a lawmaker. He was a veteran of the Korean War, an Olympic Judo wrestler, and even a nationally renowned jewelry artist. Upon his retirement from the Senate in 2005, his major achievements included passing legislation to secure Native American water rights, protect wilderness areas, prevent fetal alcohol syndrome, create Colorado's Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site, and establish the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

<https://bestlifeonline.com/important-native-americans/>

Profiles in Nature:

The Orca

By: Mauricio Aguilar

The orca is a mammal which is a part of the dolphin species, and it happens to be the largest member of the dolphin family. These animals are highly intelligent and are carnivorous. They use echolocation to communicate and hunt, and these animals prey on a variety of other animals such as penguins, seals, and even moose on occasion. Orcas live in cold waters from the polar regions to the equator. They hunt in groups that are like families and these “families” can have up to forty different members.

Orcas can be from twenty-three to thirty-two feet long, and they can weigh up to six tons. These animals have long been used for entertainment purposes, although these facilities are being shut down due to the mistreating of these creatures.



<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/facts/orca>

Announcements

Attention Juniors – NC Governor’s School of NC Application is OPEN – Check your email for more information. Have questions?: Speak to Mrs. New and/or Gwentyh Greene. Gwentyh attended last year.

Students between 14-18, you’re invited to apply for the 50th Annual Youth Legislative Assembly (YLA) at the General Assembly on April 8 – 10, 2022. This is a unique opportunity to learn first-hand about the legislative process. Students draft, debate and vote on mock legislative bills while developing skills in research, interviewing, group facilitation and policy writing. Applications will be accepted through February 1, 2022. Apply online at: <https://www.ncleg.gov/YLA/StudentApplication>

MCS Holiday Card Contest - See your email for more information. Entries are due on December 2.

Senior and Phoenix Scholar members of the Beta Club, the National Beta Scholarship is now OPEN.

January Symposium – In January MCEC is planning on hosting a student-led symposium. Please email or see Dr. Seawell if you would like to share any topic, lead a discussion, learn a new skill, or work with other students on a project.

Help Wanted – Do you have a free period and would like to volunteer in the office? See Dr. Seawell for more information.

Reminder - Students when you leave campus you must sign out in the office and have parent permission. No students are permitted in MCHS without permission.



MCEC Holiday Spirit Week 2021
December 6 - 10, 2021

Monday - Holiday Family Portraits
Wear a flannel or plaid shirt.

Tuesday - Character Day
Dress up as your favorite holiday character.

Wednesday - Ugly Sweater Day
Put on your ugliest ugly sweater!

Thursday - Comfy Sock Day
Get cozy and wear your fuzzy holiday socks.

Friday - PJ Day
Come to school in your pajamas!

Fall 2021 MCEC Exam Schedule

December 8th & 9th – Teacher Made Exams
(Latin, PE, Classical History, Math II, English I/IV, etc.)

December 10th – PLTW

December 14th – Career Management

December 15th – Biology

December 16th – Make-Up Exams

Computer Collection

ALL students must turn in their computers before leaving for winter break. Talk to Dr. Seawell if you have questions.

December 13th - 11th/12th Grade

December 14th – 9th/10th Grade

MCEC PRE-ACT PARENT MEETING

On Tuesday, December 7 at 6:00 PM all tenth graders and their parents are invited to a Pre-ACT Parent Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7 AT 6:00 PM

MCEC MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

Learn more about your child's Pre-ACT test results, Pre-ACT test information, and ACT study strategies.

SEE YOU THEN!

How To Save Our World!
2nd edition

Remember: Montgomery County recycles...

- 1 and 2 Plastics
- Glass bottles (clear, green, and brown)
- Non-waxed cardboard (please break it down and flatten it)
- Paper material (phonebook, newspaper, etc..)
- Cans (steel and tin aerosol, food, and aluminum)

Thank you from S.O.W!!

• Here are some tips on how you can do your part to save the world!

1. Try to use reusable mask (if using disposable mask make sure to cut the strings before throwing them away!)
2. Use reusable water bottles.
3. Save power! Turn off lights and unplug appliances when not in use.
4. Reduce water usage! Take shorter showers, place a full bottle of water in the back of your toilet to reduce water per flush, and turn off the water when brushing your teeth and shaving.

It is important that you do not put ANY nonrecyclable items in the recycling bins. If any trash is found, then everything is thrown away.

YEARBOOK SALE!

*Available at a reduced price from Aug 29th, 2021 until Jan 10th, 2022.

Yearbook Salesman: ***Slaps Yearbook***
This bad boy can fit so many memories in it, for **only \$20!***

The Odyssey

Want one? See Ms. Dunlap in Room 216
← Or buy online at ybpay.lifetouch.com - code: 13284022

Previous Yearbook Designs

Questions? Email Ms. Dunlap at heather.dunlap@montgomery.k12.nc.us
*Yearbooks sold after Jan. 10th, 2022 will be \$25.

Gratitude makes everything turn into a gift.

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Write One Give One

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