The Phoenixes' Call

"Not everything is meant to be, but everything is worth a try"

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Phoenix lunch (12:15-12:40):

Monday: Daywalt, Martin, and Hare

Tuesday: Williams, Daywalt, Beane, and Martin

Wednesday: Pratt, Rushing, and Hare

Thursday: Williams, Daywalt, and Watts

Friday: Pratt, Beane, and Martin

Thank you, Mr. Willie, for all that you do for MCEC! We appreciate you!

Important Dates

October 10th – 12th – MCC Fall break

October 11th – Normal School Day

October 12th – Normal School Day

October 16th – Interim Reports

Club Meetings

Monday: Interact Club & Art Club

Wednesday: Bible Study & Yearbook

Thursday: SGA

Friday: Save Our World (SOW) & Beta Club

Study Tips – Get Organized

By: Koby Sedberry

Although it may seem like a chore, organizing your space and workload will undeniably take a lot of stress off of you. The first step in organization is to create a positive and clean space in which to complete your assignments. This could be a desk, a spot in your room, or somewhere nice outside. You may find it easier and feel more productive if the space around you encourages optimistic emotions. Also, another extremely important aspect of being organized is to write down everything you need to complete and check off assignments as you finish them; this will give you clear goals and will help you see all that you are completing.

Academic Achievements

By: Leticia Barrera

Seminar is a time students can use to complete assignments for college classes, catch up on high school work, and complete seminar assignments that supplement the normal high school curriculum. Students should always use this time wisely. Seminar grades do calculate as high school credit. Sometimes assignments are assigned in seminar; these assignments help students build soft-skills and become better prepared for college and the workforce. Teachers use the assignments in seminar to prepare student for the future. The topics covered in this course will definitely be useful in the future. Seminar assignment are determined by student feedback related to needs and areas where students receive the most help. If teachers are aware of upcoming projects, students are often encouraged to work on those during this time. Each assignment is given to the grade that needs it; for example, juniors may have an assignment about ACT review to prepare them for their upcoming ACT. Students should use this time wisely because teachers are working to help the students out and prepare them for the future. Thanks to Mr. Watts, Mrs. Williams, and Mrs. Pratts for all your hard work on our seminar classes.

Phoenix Feather Trivia

The homeroom with the most correct answers will receive a Phoenix Feathers. The more people who turn in correct answers to Mrs. Beane between October 8th and 12th, the better chance your homeroom has of winning. Submissions must include student and homeroom teacher's name.

1. How many Bill of Rights are there?

2. What literary device is used below?

"The sudden exam made me feel nervous all of a sudden and I suddenly felt the urge to vomit"

3. What is the probability of pulling a face card without replacement, or pulling a heart card out of a standard deck of cards?

4. Can you name 6 U.S. States without an "e?"

5. Can you name the 4 houses in Harry Potter?

Need a Laugh? 😂

1. Why can't your nose be 12 inches long?
Because then it would be a foot

2. Why are fish so good at watching their weight?
Because they have a lot of scales

3. Why do we tell actors to break a leg?
Because every play has a cast

Students of the Month - September

Every month, teachers select a student of the month based on several important student characteristics. Students may be chosen because they stand out in their class, do well academically, or have shown the most improvement over the last month. Teachers come together to select students who demonstrate these exceptional character traits and many more. We are very proud of our first students of the month for the 2018 – 2019 school year!

9th grade: Kaliyah Ratliff-Wall (far right) – As a freshman, Kaliyah has shown impressive work ethic, great character and is a great citizen in the classroom.

10th grade: Malik McAuley (center) – Malik has had an impressive beginning to his sophomore year. He is excelling in all courses and has proven to be a master mathematician.

11th grade: Carrie Ann Lassiter (far left) – Independent, hard-working, and well organized, Carrie Ann stands out in the junior class this year.

Phoenix Sports Update

Written by Eli Kelly and Hunter Steele

Both East and West football teams have been off to slow starts with East sitting at 3-3 and West at 1-4. In possibly the last game between East and West Montgomery High Schools, East overtook West Montgomery 42-14. West Montgomery volleyball is nearly undefeated with a current record of 10-2, and East Montgomery has a record of 2-8. Men's soccer season is in full effect with both East and West yielding a few wins (East – 4-2-1; West – 3-4-1). Ladies' tennis at East Montgomery has a current winning record of 5-0, while West Montgomery's overall record is 1-11. The cross country teams at both East and West are doing pretty well, and Phoenix runners have placed in several events.

Left: More than 70 MCEC AVID students touring the campus of UNC-Greensboro.

Left: Beta Club Officers following the Beta Club Induction Ceremony on September 27th.

Phoenix Overview

By: Liz Loflin

- For Hispanic Heritage Month, homerooms will be submitting questions related to Hispanic heritage through a spreadsheet sent out in your e-mail. After all questions have been submitted, students may study both questions and answers in preparation for our first Phoenix Quiz Bowl Competition. All homerooms will participate in the competition, scheduled for October 11th, and each will have a chance to win a Phoenix Feather.
- Parent Conferences began September 24th and will end on October 11th. All freshmen and sophomores are required to have a parent conference. Juniors and their parents may come in on October 4th to pick up their report cards.
- Academic Awards will be held on October 11th. We will recognize winners from spring semester and enjoy some friendly competition.
- Thursday, October 11th; Friday, October 12th; and Thursday, November 1st will now be normal school days. These days will allow us to make up time missed due to Hurricane Florence.
- MCEC will have no school November 21st -23rd for fall break.
- Congratulations to our new Interact Club for receiving a grant and being recognized at the Rotary meeting! They were recognized at the October 1st School Board meeting.
- Congratulations Mrs. Beane for having perfect attendance last school year! She was recognized at the October 1st School Board meeting.
- The Beta Club Induction was last Thursday. Fifty new members were added to our club. Way to go Phoenixes!
- Students celebrated the end of first six-weeks on September 25th. You are all smart COOKIES!
- AVID students visited UNC-Greensboro last Friday, September 28th on their first college visit.

Thank you for reading The Phoenixes' Call! This publication is created completely by Montgomery County Early College students. We write, edit, and publish this work on our own. We are using this publication to showcase all of the wonderful students of MCEC and to show the community what it means to be a Phoenix. We apologize for any typographical errors or misspellings. Please see Mrs. Heather Beane if you have an idea for a new story or if you would like to be involved!