

March 3, 2025 Greetings Huskies:

We have a busy week ahead as we begin the scheduling process for the 2025-2026 school year. Beginning this week, our school counseling team will be meeting with students to input their course requests in SchooLinks. Please take a moment to review the <u>MRHS</u> <u>Course Guide</u> and our <u>Elective Offerings</u> in preparation for the course selection process. If you have any questions regarding the scheduling process, please reach out to your designated school counselor.

Congratulations to **Isabelle Wiemer** & **Jaden Hyman** for being selected to represent Matawan Regional High School as the recipients of the <u>Shore Conference Sportsmanship</u> <u>Award</u>.

Thank you to all that participated in the **MRHS Annual Blood Drive**. We will be able to save the lives of <u>114</u> people with the amount of blood we were able to collect. Thank you to Ms. Amanda Longo and the members of our <u>Women's Empowerment Club</u> for organizing this event.

And finally, congratulations to our two student-led start up companies from Mr. Meola's <u>Dual Enrollment Entrepreneurship</u> class for representing us in the <u>Diamond Challenge</u> <u>Regional Venture Showcase</u> at Rutgers University this past week. The commitment, dedication, and overall product presented by these two groups is evidence that these students truly embody the spirit of an entrepreneur. Please see below for a summary of their proposals:

<u>Peak Performance Recovery</u>. Students: Shawn Lalevee, Jacob Lauricella, Alex Lugo, Sam Morris

PPR is a service that provides a personalized injury prevention and recovery plan for high school athletes first through a consultation with a physical therapist, and maintained and adjusted by a daily questionnaire entirely through their unique AI processing system.

Men Matter: Students: Hayley Maresca, Olivia Rice, Mya Skellinger

Men Matter offers local in-person group support discussions as well as a peer-matching service where men will be matched up with a peer/mentor who is also struggling, can relate to their problems, and is willing to lend a helping hand.

We are looking forward to another great week. Don't forget to check our Daily Announcements by visiting the <u>MRHS Husky TV YouTube Channel</u> for the latest edition of **The Scoop** and **The Spork**.

Remember... Attendance Matters!!!! Let's Make it a Great Week!!! \mathcal{MCW}



Monmouth County College Fair

The **Monmouth County Guidance Directors Association** will be hosting their 2025 <u>College Fair</u> at 6:00pm on <u>Thursday, March 6, 2025</u> at Brookdale Community College. Please register for a barcode before the fair at <u>www.StriveFair.com</u>. During the fair, colleges will scan your barcode to send you more information about their schools. The day after the fair, you will receive a report with information on the colleges with whom you scanned.

New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA)

The <u>New Jersey Graduation Proficiency Assessment (NJGPA</u>) will be administered to all students in <u>Grade 11</u> on March 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th. <u>All 11th grade students</u> should report to their assigned testing location upon entering the school on the above dates, as testing is scheduled to begin promptly at <u>7:15am</u>. Testing locations will be shared with students the week of <u>March 3rd</u>.

Students (Grade 9, 10 & 12) will report to school on a two-hour delay. Bus students should be aware that buses will start their second run around 9:15am. Please be patient as our drivers will get there as soon as possible.

Please review the <u>NJGPA - Parent Letter</u> that was sent out last week if you have not done so already. Should you have any questions, please consult your child's school counselor or case manager.

MRHS College & Career Planning Night

Save the Date!!!! March 11th 6-9pm

The Matawan Regional High School Student Personnel Services Department is excited to continue our <u>College Planning Series for Parents and Students</u>. Please join us on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>Tuesday, March 11th</u> for a <u>FAFSA Assistance & Information Workshop and College Fair</u>. <u>Click Here to Register</u> for these events.

Husky's Closet

Husky's Closet has a wide variety of gently used clothing, shoes and accessories. It also offers our students an opportunity to attend prom feeling confident and stylish-no matter their budget. We have numerous beautiful dresses in a range of colors and sizes. Husky's Closet is our way of making prom accessible and memorable for all students. Students interested in seeing what Huskys Closet has to offer should contact Ms. Longo in Room 600.





<u>Yearbooks</u>

The MRHS 2024-2025 Yearbook can be purchased through this link (<u>Jostens.com</u>). Questions? Please contact MRHS Yearbook Advisors: <u>Mary Kate Shalhou</u>b or <u>Sheryl Kish</u>.

Save the Date !!!! Safe Driving Orientation

NJM Insurance Group, The SAC Program & Student Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) is hosting a Safe Driving Orientation for students and parents on <u>Tuesday, March 25th</u> at Matawan Regional High School beginning at 6:30pm. Students in attendance will receive priority parking on campus during the 2025-2026 school year. <u>Click Here</u> to sign up for this presentation.

MRHS Parent-Teacher Organization

The MRHS PTO is still accepting <u>Membership</u> for the 2024-2025 school year. Membership is essential in assisting to fund programs, help with improvements to our school and assisting teachers/students with resources to meet their needs. When you join our PTO, 100% of your membership donation is used to benefit our staff, students and school. Please check out our upcoming events:

Upcoming Events

- <u>MRHS Baseball Sip & Support</u> <u>Saturday, March 8th</u>
- <u>Husky Touchdown Club Tricky Tray</u> <u>Saturday, June 21st</u>
 <u>Sign Up Here</u>

Coming Soon.... World Down Syndrome Day

Join us by wearing your brightest mismatched socks as we celebrate <u>World Down Syndrome Day</u> on <u>Friday March 21st</u>.

• Join us at Sundaes from 6:30-10:00pm on <u>Thursday, March 20th</u> in support of the <u>National Down Syndrome Society</u>. Hope to see you there!!!

Spring Sports Registration

Spring Sports Registration is now open for Matawan Regional High School (MRHS) and Matawan Aberdeen Middle School (MAMS).

Important Deadlines:

Registration Closes: March 5, 2025

- Last Chance!!!! Physical Drop-Off Date: March 3rd, 4:00 PM 6:00 PM, MRHS Main Lobby
 - Physicals submitted after this date may not be cleared immediately, potentially delaying your child's participation in spring activities.

Please ensure your child has an updated physical on file. You can verify through the **Genesis Parent Portal** or by contacting the school nurse. If you have questions, please contact the Athletic Office at 732-705-5346 or email <u>athletics@marsd.org</u>.





January 28, 2025

Understanding Financial Aid Workshop January 28, 2025 7:00 pm

This presentation is offered by HESAA and covers aid programs the applications, the financial aid package and other helpful information



Registration Required!

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FAFSA Assistance & Information Workshop March 11, 2025

Run by HESAA, this session provides parents with a brief overview of available aid, and then parents/ students complete their FAFSA on Chromebooks with the help of the presenter.

www.https://mrhs.marsd.org/sps





- SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS THE #1 INDICATOR OF STUDENT SUCCESS
- MISSING 2 OR MORE DAYS A MONTH = CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM
- **REGULAR ATTENDERS ARE 2.5 TIMES** MORE LIKELY TO GRADUATE