

School Counseling Newsletter

October 2025



Mahwah in the Fall 2018

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Dear Students and Families,

Even though the warm weather has been fooling us, October is here! We hope your students have settled into classes and are starting to get involved. Last week was our annual Club Fair, and it was great to see students learning all about our many extracurricular options.

Our office is hosting several important night events in the month of October, please mark your calendars and read this newsletter to learn more:

- Monday October 6th - Healthy Kids presentation by Tim Shoemaker, 6pm Auditorium - 6pm
- Thursday October 9th - Senior Parent/Student Night - 6pm
- Tuesday October 14th - Financial Aid Night - 6pm
- Thursday October 23rd - 9th Grade Parent Night - 6pm

Jim O'Hara

Director of School Counseling, K-12



College Corner

Seniors!

Early deadlines are right around the corner and meeting deadlines is most important at this time of year. We visited ALL 12th GRADE ENGLISH CLASSES last week for our Application Workshops and everyone should now be ready to apply in the coming weeks.

DEADLINES:

Students must give School Counselors at least two weeks notice of an application! This is a partnership and we need to work together in order to get out all required materials.

Please make sure that your SCOIR account reflects WHERE you are applying and WHICH DEADLINE (Early Action, Early Decision, etc..) at least two weeks ahead of time! For instance, if you have a Nov. 1st deadline - that should be reflected in your APPLIED LIST ON SCOIR by Friday OCT. 17th!

PSAT

All 10th and 11th GRADERS will take the PSAT on Wednesday October 22nd. This exam provides practice to students who will take more standardized testing in the future, and also serves as the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Exam. Students will receive their score reports 2-3 weeks after the test.

Seniors will be able to receive college application assistance that morning as well. We will be reaching out with more details regarding the schedule for October 22nd.

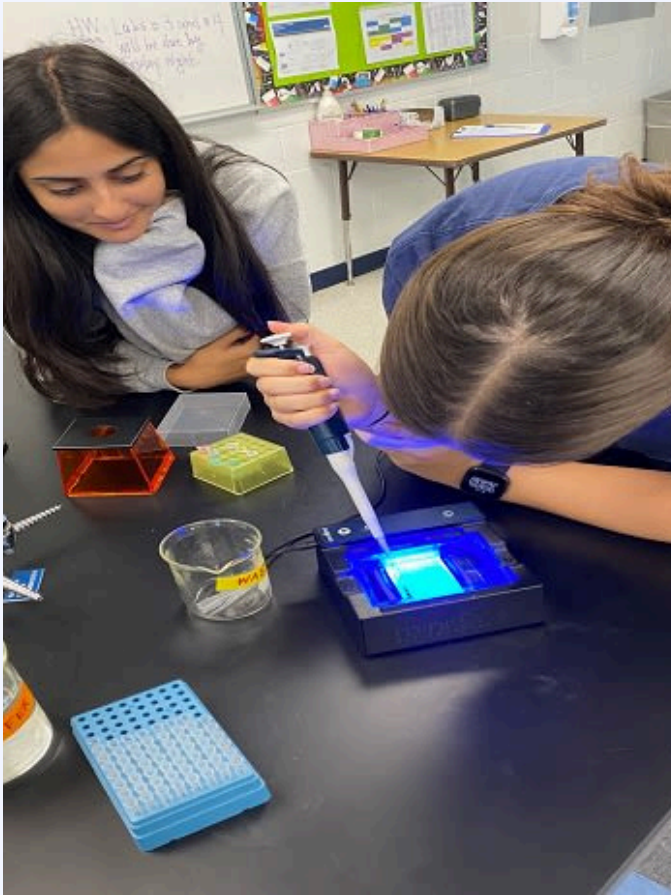


College Rep Visits in October! (see SCQR for exact times)

College/University	Date
Lynn University	10/1/2025
Sacred Heart University	10/1/2025
Univ. of Mass. Amherst	10/1/2025
Gettysburg College	10/1/2025
Drew University	10/3/2025
Univ. of New Hampshire	10/3/2025
Roger Williams Univ.	10/6/2025
Univ. of Delaware	10/6/2025
Manhattan Univ.	10/6/2025
Univ. of Rhode Island	10/6/2025
Salve Regina	10/7/2025
Denison University	10/8/2025
George Washington Univ.	10/8/2025
Univ. of New Haven	10/8/2025
Univ. of Maryland	10/8/2025
Fairfield University	10/9/2025
Univ. of Mt. Saint Vincent	10/9/2025
Temple Univ.	10/9/2025
James Madison Univ.	10/9/2025
Syracuse University	10/10/2025
St. Bonaventure University	10/10/2025
Iona University	10/10/2025
Wesleyan University	10/10/2025
Penn State	10/14/2025
George Mason	10/14/2025
Virginia Polytechnic Institute	10/15/2025
Marywood University	10/15/2025
Villanova University	10/15/2025
Wake Forest University	10/15/2025
High Point University	10/16/2025
Stevens Institute of Technology	10/16/2025
Dickinson College	10/16/2025

Rider University	10/16/2025
San Diego State University	10/17/2025
Providence College	10/17/2025
University of Tampa	10/17/2025
Susquehanna University	10/17/2025
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	10/21/2025
The College of New Jersey	10/21/2025
Christopher Newport University	10/22/2025
Boston College	10/22/2025
Quinnipiac University	10/22/2025
Kings College	10/22/2025
Fordham University	10/23/2025
University of Vermont	10/23/2025
Princeton University	10/23/2025
Emerson College	10/23/2025
William Paterson University	10/24/2025
Union College	10/24/2025
Babson College	10/24/2025
University of South Carolina	10/27/2025
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	10/27/2025
Siena University	10/28/2025
Fairleigh Dickinson University	10/28/2025
Univ. of Minnesota (Twin Cities)	10/28/2025
York College of PA	10/29/2025
Hofstra University	10/29/2025
Georgian Court University	10/29/2025
Caldwell University	10/30/2025
Univ. of Scranton	10/31/2025
Arizona State University (Tempe)	10/31/2025

ACADEMICS



- Progress Reports - All students will receive a progress report this month. We will contact families in mid-October to alert them that their child's progress report is available on the Realtime Portal. Please use this as a tool to reflect and review your child's progress so far this year in each of their classes.
- Attendance - Being at school on time and arriving on time for each of your classes throughout the day is the first step to a successful school experience. Regular attendance is a crucial component of academic achievement, as each day your child is present, they receive meaningful instruction that cannot be easily made up.

Student Support

In addition to our parent program on October 6th, all students will hear the motivational words of Tim Shoemaker the morning of Monday October 6th.

Students will attend an assembly to hear Tim's positive and motivational advice for living a happy, healthy, and drug free life. He is known for his high-energy approach in addressing complicated topics for young people.





Important Dates and Events

- **Sat. October 4th**
 - SAT at MHS
 - Practice PSAT w/ Revolution Prep – online – [register here](#)
- **Monday October 6th at 6pm** – HS Auditorium – “*Inspiring Happy, Healthy, and Drug Free Kids*”. Parent Presentation for grades 6–12 from Motivational Speaker Tim Shoemaker. [RSVP Here](#).
- **Thursday October 9th** – 12th Grade Student/Parent Night – 6pm Auditorium
- **Tuesday October 14th** – Financial Aid Night – 6pm Auditorium – ALL GRADES WELCOME
- **Weds. Oct. 22nd** – PSAT at MHS for all 10th and 11th Graders
- **Thursday October 23rd** – 9th Grade Parent Night – 6pm Auditorium
- **Wednesday October 29th** – 8th Grade Open House

Inspiring Happy, Healthy, & Drug-Free Kids

With nationally recognized expert, **Timothy Shoemaker**

A Must-See Seminar for Parents of Students in Grades 6-12

Join the Mahwah Municipal Alliance and the Mahwah Parent Academy for a powerful and eye-opening program on helping your children live a healthy drug-free life. Featuring renowned speaker Timothy Shoemaker, his seminar has been hailed by parents and educators for his high-energy approach to address complicated topics. This parent program is offered as a follow up to the program on vaping that Tim will be presenting to all Ramapo Ridge and Mahwah High School students earlier in the day.

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**INVITATION TO:
PARENTS OF
STUDENTS
GRADES 6 -12**

**DATE:
MONDAY, 10/6/25**

**TIME:
6PM-7PM WITH Q&A**

**LOCATION:
MAHWAH HIGH
SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

**REGISTRATION:
FREE, BUT REQUIRED**

Scan me to register!



**To learn more &
Register, go to: mahwahalliance.org/happy25**

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



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Register for an upcoming practice exam.

				
PSAT	Saturday, October 4	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Online	Free
Digital ACT	Saturday, November 15	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Online	Free
SAT	Saturday, December 6	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Online	Free

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