

MESSAGE FROM MHS ADMINISTRATION

We've had a great start to the 25-26 school year!

We are proud of the hard work our students are demonstrating in the classroom and through all their activities. We have much to celebrate!

Next week is Homecoming week and we are excited to see school spirit throughout the week with dress-up spirit days, the parade, powderpuff, pep assembly, and the football game and dance.

In addition to Homecoming, October and early November will bring two big events to MHS. Please mark your calendars for Parent/Teacher Conferences October 21st and 23rd. See more information later in our newsletter.

We also would love to see all families at our MHS Family Jay Night on November 3rd. We will have dinner and helpful breakout sessions geared especially toward HS families. Please see more information and the sign-up link later in this newsletter.

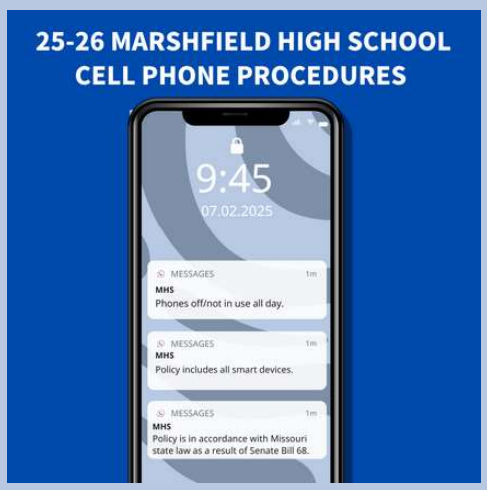
Thank you for all you do to support MHS and its students. Please don't hesitate to reach out at any point.

In education,

MHS Administration



CELL PHONE POLICY



As you may have seen, the state of Missouri passed a law over the summer requiring every school district to implement a cell phone policy. We are appreciative of the support of MHS's cell phone policy last year and trust that you can help us build on that success this year with the additional requirements put into state law.

In an effort to maintain a positive learning environment that is safe and free from distractions, cell phones may not be used in classrooms. It is recommended that students leave cell phones at home.

If a student brings a phone to school, he/she should be aware that student cell phone usage will not be allowed in the school building, from start to finish each day.

If students do not adhere to the cell phone/device policy, discipline will begin at a warning and will escalate to confiscation (requiring parent pick up of device) and In School Suspension.

SEE FULL POLICY HERE

Questions? Read more HERE.

HANDBOOKS

CLICK LINKS BELOW

MHS Student/Parent Handbook

Technology Handbook

Activities/Athletics Handbook

ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

School Start Time: 7:50 a.m.
Doors Open: 7:00 a.m.
School End Time: 3:29 p.m.

See More Information about Student Pick-Up/Drop-Off Here

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

This year's Parent/Teacher Conferences are October 21st and 23rd. MHS holds conferences from 4:30-7:30. Parents do not need to have an appointment. We encourage you to attend conferences and talk with your student's teachers to hear brags, opportunities for growth, and to learn about the activities happening in the classroom. Students are encouraged to attend with parents.

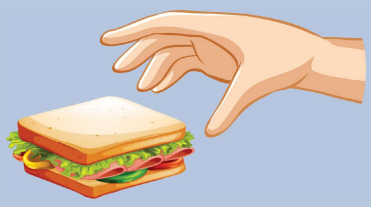
Remember, you can look ahead at all dates/events for MHS and the district by clicking the links below.

**District Calendar
**Building Calendar



MEALS AND MEAL PRICING

For the 2025-2026 school year, every student enrolled at Marshfield High School will be able to receive a CACFP meal (also known as the after school meal) for free, daily! We will have carts manned by Opaa! staff members set up in four locations: by the front doors, at the 200/300 hall intersection, in the commons, and in the 400s hallway in between 6th hour and Jay Time. Students will be able to 'grab n' go' a minimum of 3--and a maximum of 5--items each day. At least one item must be a fruit or vegetable. Menus with CACFP meal offerings will be published before the school year begins.



Breakfast: FREE
Lunch: 2.70

**Remember, lunch balances can be paid in Infinite Campus.
**If your student qualifies for free and reduced lunch, please fill out the application in Infinite Campus. This must be completed EACH year.
**No DoorDash permitted at MHS

COUNSELING OFFICE CORNER

IMPORTANT DATES

October 3: Pre-ACT
October 7-10:Teen Safety Matters- Lesson 1
October 14-17: Teen Safety Matters- Lesson 2
October 18: ACT hosted at MHS
October 20: Chad Cargill ACT Prep at Drury- $40/student. Register at: https://forms.gle/GR3siY4FAtRqawLH8
October 30-November 6: Beginning of reviewing/updating Individual Career and Academic Plans (ICAPs) in classrooms. Per state requirement, we MUST have an ICAP on file for EVERY student. You will not be allowed to arena schedule if you do not submit an ICAP. We have updated the ICAP module for this year. You will be able to find lots of material to assist you in updating your ICAP in that module, as well as other modules including OTC Career Center, Dual Credit, etc.

College Events/Visits

October 14: Missouri S & T Visit Day
October 16: Explore OTC
October 27: Pitt State College Visit

How to register for the ACT

This year we will be registering students for the ACT a little differently. Please read the following information that was posted as an announcement on Canvas.

- The next national ACT test date is Saturday, October 18. The deadline to register was in September. The next ACT will be December 13 and the deadline to register is November 7.
- To register, students must first have a MyACT account. Students must create their own accounts (YOU should create it, NOT your parents). Click here. for directions.
  - Please DO NOT use your mjays email account to set up your MyACT account.
  - You should use a personal email address to which you will have access, even after you graduate.
  - WRITE DOWN YOUR USER NAME AND PASSWORD! Counselors do not have access to them.
- Register at myact.org
  - You MUST upload an approved photo of yourself.
  - You MUST print your admission ticket. If you would like us to print it for you, please email to Betsy.Livingston@mjays.us.
- MHS will pay for 1 ACT test for each student. In addition, students who qualify for free/reduced lunch may be eligible for 2 fee waivers.
- Once your account is completely set up, you can register here. to meet with a counselor to enter payment information if you have not yet redeemed your free ACT.

ATTENDANCE

Monthly Attendance:
September

95%

Sat/Eve School Sign Up

Grade Reduction Reminder

Missing class matters!
If you have more than 6 absences in a semester for any class, your grade will be reduced:

👉 7 absences = -2%
👉 8 absences = -4%
👉 9 absences = -8%
👉 10 absences = -16%
👉 11 absences = -32
👉 12+ absences = -50%

✅ Saturday School & Evening School can reduce absences.
Nothing replaces being in class—every day counts!

ACTIVITIES OFFICE UPDATE

As we start the month of October, we are appreciative of all those showing up for Pink Out games as we raise money for two Blue Jay families impacted by cancer. Donations are accepted in exchange for the Pink Out shirts donated by Post Game Pizza.

The Pink Out campaign will run through our October 24 Senior Pink Out Football Game vs. Highland HS (AR). Donations can be brought to the Activities Office or given at designated Pink Out games.

Softball is hosting Districts. This is a great chance for everyone to support our state-ranked softball team in postseason. Districts will run October 15-16 with the Championship on Oct 20.











HOMECOMING 2025

JUST DANCE

IMPORTANT DATES

SPIRIT WEEK.....OCT 7-10

PARADE.....OCT 8 @ 5:00

POWDER PUFF GAME.....OCT 8 @ 6:00

TAILGATE.....OCT 10 5:00-6:30

CORONATION.....OCT 10 @ 6:30

HOCO FOOTBALL GAME.....OCT 10 @ 7:00

HOCO TICKET SALES.....OCT 7-10

HOCO DANCE.....OCT 11 8:00-10:00

SPIRIT DAYS

TUESDAY
OCTOBER 7

COTTON EYE JOE



DRESS COUNTRY

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 8TH

ROAR

CAMO VS. ANIMAL PRINT



THURSDAY
OCTOBER 9TH

DIAMONDS

WHITE OUT



FRIDAY
OCTOBER 10TH

24K MAGIC



RAP NIGHT

MHS FAMILY JAY NIGHT

BREAKOUT SESSIONS:

- DUAL CREDITS
- NCAA RECRUITING
- DRIVER'S ED
- OTC/A+
- BURRELL
- CYBERSECURITY
- PARENT ADVOCACY FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION
- BANKING
- CANVAS/IC
- + MORE!

NOV 3
6:00–7:30PM

SAVE–THE–DATE

- Food
- Speakers
- Childcare
- Important info for HS families
- School & community resources
- Breakout sessions

Register HERE by October 24th.

OFFICE DROP-OFFS AND STUDENT CONTACT

When leaving a delivery on the table at the front doors, parents must fill out one of the forms found next to the window. They will then hand the form to someone at the front window in order for the student to be notified. If the form is not completed, the student will not be notified.

Notifications will not be made for lunch deliveries. Please arrange in advance for special occasion lunches. As in the past, students will not be able to use DoorDash.