MJHS 2026 OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

The purpose of the Marshfield R-1 School District is to prepare each student for a successful future.

First quarter is quickly coming to an end. Parents, as your look at your children's current grades, please know that we have many levels of support for your children to be successful. Please call the school office if you ever need to discuss your children's grades or other issues. Thank you, parents, for helping us enforce the cell phone policy. We want school to be free of distractions, and students have been honoring the cell phone policy. Parents and guardians, please drop off at least three vehicles at a time at car line in the mornings. The sidewalk is there to ensure that the car line moves efficiently and safely.

Preston Hyde, MJHS Principal and Andrea George, MJHS Assistant Principal
MJHS Office: (417) 859-2120 ext. 6

MJHS IMPORTANT DATES:

First quarter ends on Friday, October 16th

AM Assist (Missing Work/Homework Rooms)

Every School Day - 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.

AM Assist Rooms: 6th-Counseling Center; 7th-Rm. 204; and 8th-Rm. 305

PM Practice (After-School Tutoring)

October Dates: October 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 27, and 29

- **PM Practice is dedicated to missing work and homework.**
- Each Tuesday and Thursday, students may stay for after-school tutoring and report to room 202. No sign-up is necessary!
- Parents, you can also communicate that your child needs to stay for tutoring by calling the school office (417) 859-2120 ext. 6 by 2:30 pm on Tuesday and Thursday.
- Tutoring students will be paired with teachers to meet their learning needs. Students are to be picked up at 5 pm.

ATHLETIC EVENTS:

Cross Country
- Oct 3- @ Joplin | 9:00 AM
- Oct 10 - @ Branson | 9:00 AM
- Oct 16 - Ozark Mountain Conference (OMC) Meet | 9:00 AM
- Oct 24 - Middle School Championship @ Wheatland | 11:00 AM

Football (Games @ 5:30 PM)
- Oct 1 - @ Branson
- Oct 8 - @ Bolivar
- Oct 15 - Carl Junction | Home @ 5:00

Volleyball (Games @ 5:00)
- Oct 1 - @ Carl Junction
- Oct 5 - Pleasant View | Home
- Oct 10 - OMC Tournament - @ Springfield | TBD

Students received information about MJHS Wrestling and MJHS Basketball on Friday, September 25th, during JayTime. If students missed that meeting, they can contact Patrick Youmans, MJHS Athletic Director.



MJHS FACEBOOK- STUDENT HANDBOOK- IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Like the Marshfield Junior High Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/Marshfield-Mo-Jr-High-346403682406648.

Curious about our policies at the JH? Here's a link to the student/parent handbook: https://mjh.mjays.us/jh-handbook

MJHS Office: (417)859-2120 ext. 6
MJHS Office Email: jhs.office@mjays.us

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

MJHS Yearbook Orders



The order form to purchase your students' Marshfield Junior High yearbook is now open! The price will go up at the end of November, so order now and save up to $10. The sooner you buy, the more you save!

MJHS Yearbook Order Link:
https://jostensyearbooks.com/?ref=A04581530

Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 20 and October 22, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Starting Tuesday, October 6, please email the junior high office (jhs.office@mjays.us) to schedule conferences with your child's teachers. Please include the following information in your email:

-Name of student
-Date and times that you are available for conferences
-Names of teachers you would like to visit
(Individual conferences are 15 minutes each.)



Scholastic Book Fair - October 19 - 22

Open During the School Day and Parent/Teacher Conferences
Where: Marshfield Junior High School Library

Red Ribbon Week 2026

MAKE A DIFFERENCE. BE A HERO. STAY DRUG FREE.

Tuesday, Oct 27th – My dreams are worth more than drugs!
- Wear pajamas

Wednesday, Oct 28th – Shade out Drugs and Bad Choices!
- Wear neon

Thursday, Oct 29th – Red out for Red Ribbon Week!
- Wear Red

Friday, Oct 30st – Say Boo to Bad Choices!
- Wear a costume: must follow rules and dress code
  - no face paint, no hoods, no masks, no accessories that resemble a weapon



CLICK HERE

Red Ribbon Week Pledge

I pledge to grow up safe, healthy, and drug free by:
Understanding the dangers of drug use and abuse.
Respecting myself and being drug-free.
Spreading the word to family and friends about the importance of being healthy and drug-free.

8th Grade Families:

In October, your eighth grader will continue learning the important vocabulary of high school, such as credits, electives, prerequisites, semester, fine art, practical art, GPA, graduation requirements, A+ program, and ICAP, as your JH counselors prepare students for a visit from the HS counselors in early November. Information is and will be posted on their Counseling Connection Class of 2031 Canvas. We encourage parents/guardians to review that content with their students. Eighth-grade families should expect periodic emails about high school scheduling, so it is important to read and review those with your student.

SAVE THE DATE

Marshfield High School is planning a Preview Night on Monday, November 2nd, to showcase what the HS has to offer. They have invited all 8th graders and their families to attend. Please put this date on your calendar and be watching for more information to be shared later!

SAVE THE DATE

Picture Retake Day: Tuesday, October 13th

Reminder: School will be in session on Monday, Oct. 19. School is closed on Friday, Oct. 23.

Check out the Webster County Community Resource App!



Search in your app store and download the Webster Counting Community Resource App to view the amazing resources our community provides.



Career Cafe

Are you a Marshfield or surrounding area community member with an awesome career?

MJHS Counselors are looking for guest speakers to inspire our students by presenting during Career Cafe.

When: Wednesdays, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. (three 20-minute sessions with a small group of students)

This is a great way to connect with students and help them start exploring their future careers!

Link

Fill out the Google Form to get more information!

Thank you!
Mrs. Dowler and Ms. Guzman

Counselor Connection

Competency of the Month:

Responsible Decision-Making Skills & Self-Advocacy



This month in the counseling lessons, we are focusing on making good choices, speaking up for ourselves, and making healthy decisions. We will discuss the importance of making healthy choices, handling peer pressure, and making decisions that support their goals and future. We'll also be practicing responsible decision-making skills, including slowing down, thinking through our choices, considering possible consequences, and making decisions that are safe, respectful, and responsible. Finally, students will be learning about self-advocacy and what it looks like to speak up for themselves, communicate what they need, ask for help, and take a more active role in their own success. These are skills students can use every day, in the classroom, with friends, at home, and as they prepare for the future!

Family Conversation Starter: Ask your student, "What is one situation where it can be hard to make a good choice or speak up for yourself? What could you do to handle it?" This can be a great way to connect what we're learning at school to everyday life at home.

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