

Building News | October 2026

MHS MISSIVE

WELCOME FROM MHS ADMINISTRATION

It has been a great start to the school year at MHS! Students are demonstrating success in the classroom and across all athletic events. Clubs and activities are in full swing and making an impact on our building and community.

As we start October, we would like to ask you to save the date for Parent/Teacher conferences at the end of the month. Even at the high school level, it is important for parents to partner with teachers and students to ensure overall student success. In addition to our normal conferences, we will also offer some special sessions for parents to attend during conference times. Please read on in our newsletter for more information, and be watching inboxes as more information will be sent out closer to time.

Thank you for all you do to support your student and MHS. We are looking forward to a great wrap-up to first quarter.

In education,

MHS Administration



RTI MHS PLAN

Using student data to identify needs, provide targeted support, and monitor student progress.

RTI

WHAT IS RTI?

RTI = Response to Intervention
It's how MHS makes sure every student gets the practice they need to be successful.

Think of it like a team effort—teachers, counselors, and YOU—working together to help you reach your goals.

WHY WE ARE DOING IT

Everyone learns differently—and that's a good thing! RTI helps us:

- Catch challenges early before they grow.
- Provide extra help when you need it.
- Connect you with resources and mentors.
- Celebrate your progress at every step!

HOW IT WORKS

- Everyone gets strong classroom instruction.
- Some students get small-group help or extra practice within the classroom or Jay Time.
- Some students get personalized or one-on-one support.
- Your Core Content teacher will let you know if you will come to their classroom during Jay Time for extra practice.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU

RTI is not a punishment—it's a boost!

- More confidence in class
- Strategies that work for you
- Encouragement and feedback
- Better results with less stress

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Ask for help early
- Try new strategies
- Set small goals and track wins
- Remember: RTI = support, not trouble

RTI IS ABOUT HELPING EVERY BLUE JAY SOAR!

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

Attendance Letter Need to Knows

Letter are automated

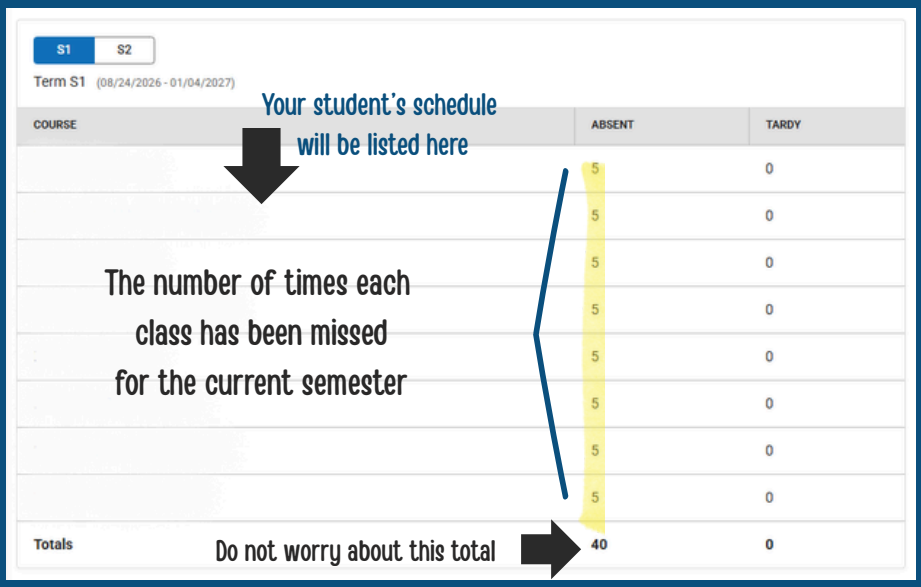
If you've already contacted the office, no further action is needed

Absences

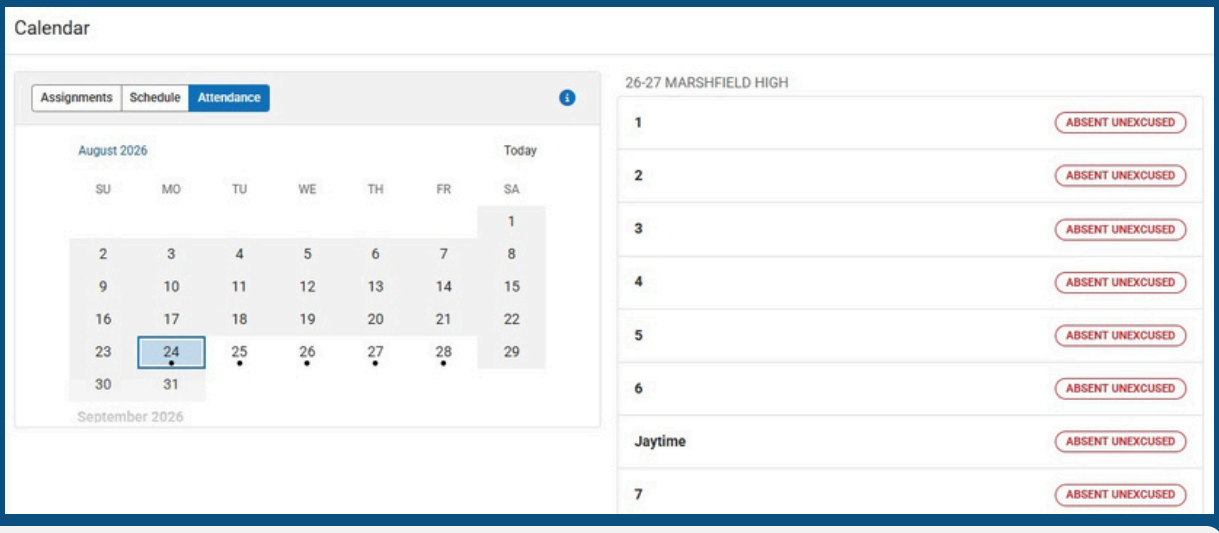
may be marked "Verified," but they are not considered "Excused" and will still count toward a student's overall attendance percentage.

The only absences considered excused are those that are school-related.

Attendance Screen in Infinite Campus Parent App



Calendar Screen in Infinite Campus Parent App



Request Student Attendance

history and overall attendance percentage by emailing mhsattendance@mjays.us.

MEALS AND MEAL PRICING

Lunch balances can be paid in Infinite Campus.

Free and reduced meal applications are available through Infinite Campus and must be completed each school year.

Breakfast: FREE
Lunch: 2.80

****DOORDASH IS NOT PERMITTED AT MHS**

For the 2026-2027 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.

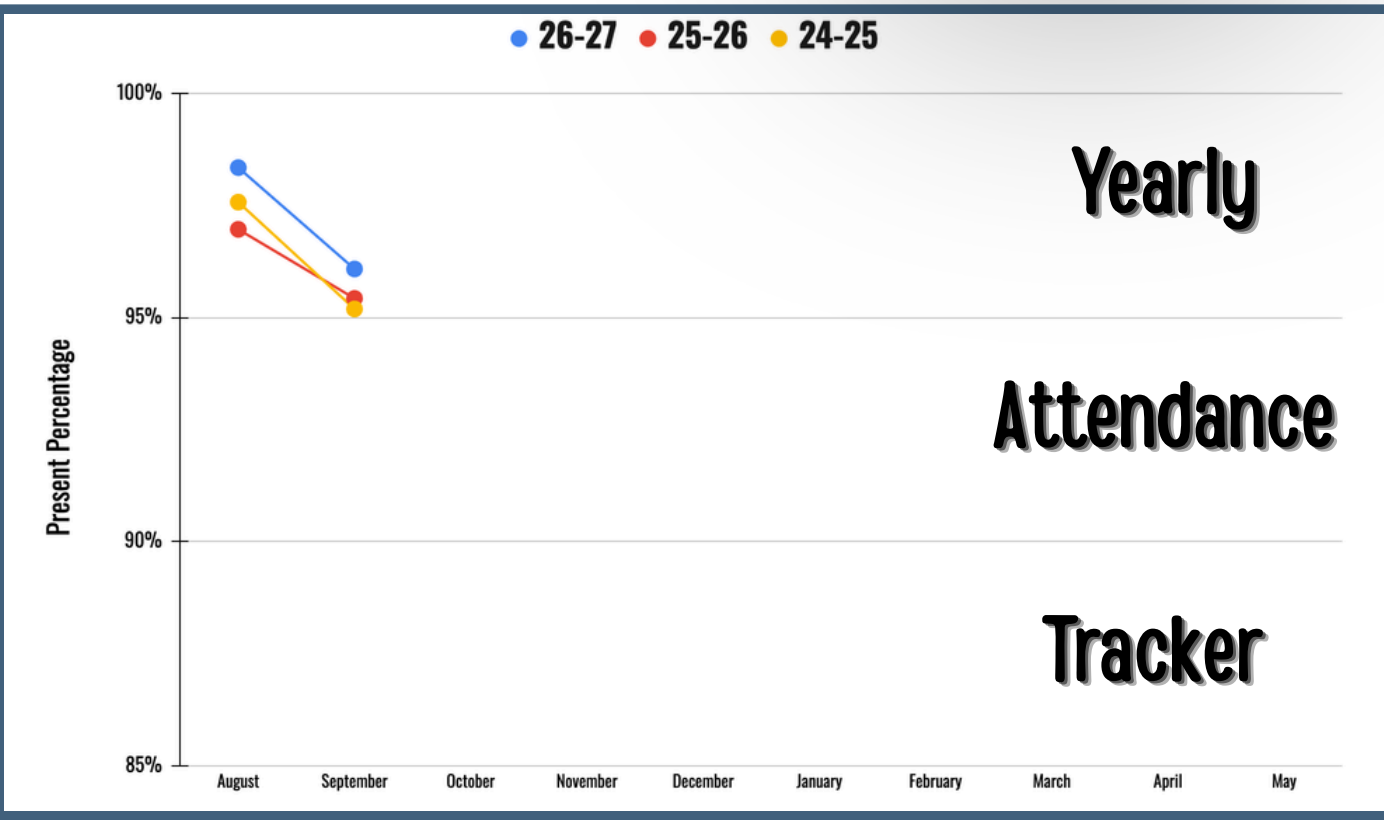
BLUE JAY Conversation Starter

What is something fun happening at school that you're looking forward to?

Monthly Attendance

September

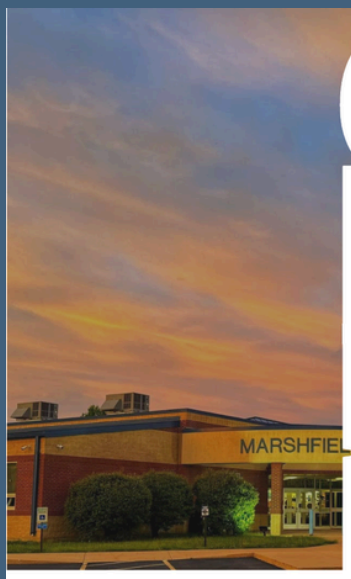
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October Club Meetings

JOIN IN!

Club	Date	Time
Club America	10/2 and 10/16	7:00 AM
Marshfield Conservation Leaders (MCL)	Frist Friday of the month	7:30 AM
TTRPG Club	Every Tuesday	3:30 PM - 4:45 PM
Trading Card Game Club	Every Thursday	3:30 PM - 5:00 PM
Creative Journaling	10/9 and 10/16	3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Writers' Guild	10/8 and 10/15	3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
Speech and debate	Every Tuesday and Thursday	3:30 PM - 6:00 PM



MHS Parent Teacher Conferences

Special Presentations

MHS Library

OCTOBER 20 | 6:00-7:30 PM
NCAA INFORMATION PANEL
Learn more about NCAA eligibility and the college athletics process.

OCTOBER 22 | 5:00 PM
SENIOR & FAFSA WORKSHOP
Information and assistance for seniors and families navigating the FAFSA process, presented by OTC officials.

OCTOBER 22 | 6:00 PM
SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION & WORKSHOP
Learn about scholarship opportunities and tips for the application process.

Connect with Your Student's Teachers

Ask questions, see their progress, and learn how you can support their success.

OCTOBER 20 | 4:30 - 7:30 PM
&
OCTOBER 22 | 4:30 - 7:30 PM

Stop by the Welcome Table at the front entrance for maps, schedules, and more!

Mark YOUR Calendars



COUNSELORS' CORNER

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES!



October 2: Pre-ACT
October 2: Voter Registration
October 5: State Fair Community College campus visit
October 6-9:Teen Safety Matters- Lesson 1
October 13-16: Teen Safety Matters- Lesson 2
October 15: Explore OTC
October 17: ACT hosted at MHS
October 21: College Fair 1:00-2:30
October 20 & 22: Parent/teacher conf. 4:30-7:30 & (10/22)FAFSA/scholarship night

ACT INFORMATION

- **What is the ACT?**
  - The American College Test (ACT) is a standardized test used for college admissions. It assesses a student's general educational development and their readiness for college-level work. The ACT includes multiple-choice tests in English, math, and reading. Students may also opt to add on the science and/or writing subtests. We recommend that students who plan to study a STEM field in college take the science subtest. However, very few colleges require the writing subtest so we recommend students DO NOT the writing subtest.
- **When should students register for the ACT?**
  - There is no set time to take the ACT. Students usually take the exam in February of 11th grade because the exam content covers class material up to that time. Most students find it helpful to have their ACT scores in hand when they begin the college application process. In addition, taking the exam during 11th grade leaves ample time for preparation and retakes if the first score is unsatisfactory.
- **How much does it cost to take the ACT?**
  - The ACT costs $70 (no science and no writing). Science can be added for an additional $5.00 while writing can be added for an additional $25.00. There is a $42.00 fee if registering late. Other fees may apply depending upon situation. Students who qualify for the Federal Free/Reduced Lunch program receive up to 2 ACT fee waivers, which can be obtained in the counseling office.
- **How many times can the ACT be taken?**
  - Students may take the ACT up to 12 times in total. Most students take thee ACT 2-3 times.
- **What is a good score on the ACT?**
  - A good score is one that will get you into the college of your choice, so the answer depends on where you want to go to college. The national average score is 19. While class rank, extracurricular activities, major, recommendations, essays, and other factors also come into play in college admissions. The maximum score for each of the three tests is 36. The composite score is the average of the three scores. Students who take the ACT Test with Science will receive a composite score and a STEM score, which is composed of math and science reasoning scores. Students who take the ACT Test with Writing will receive a composite score and an ELA score, which is composed of English, reading, and writing scores. And finally, students who take the ACT Test with Science and Writing will receive a composite score, a STEM score, and an ELA score.
  - An ACT Superscore is the average of the student's best score from each section from multiple test attempts.
- **When is the ACT at MHS?**
  - Marshfield is National ACT Test Center on the following days:
    - Saturday, October 17- deadline to register is 09/11
    - Saturday, December 12- deadline to register is 11/06
    - Saturday, February 27- deadline to register is 01/22
    - Sturday April 10- deadline to register is 03/05
      - If you want to test at MHS, you MUST select PAPER testing, not online, as we do not offer online testing.
- **How do students register for the ACT?**
  - Visit www.my.act.org to create an account
  - Students, not parents, should create accounts.
  - Save login information!
  - Fee waivers for free/reduced lunch eligible students are available in the counseling office.





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.

The mission statement of the Marshfield R-1 School District is:

To prepare each student for a successful future.

Every decision we make is centered around our commitment to students, families, and excellence in education. We look forward to another year of learning, growth, and success together.



ACTIVITIES OFFICE UPDATE

OCTOBER IS PINK OUT MONTH

You can catch any or all of the Pink Out Games

Oct. 1 Softball Game

Oct. 8 Volleyball Game

Oct. 13 Boys Soccer Game

Oct. 16 Football Game

Donations accepted in exchange for a t-shirt.



Pink Out funds are used to help local families that are dealing with cancer.



Congrats to Alayna Barkley

#1 in SWMO for most kills





Alex Street placed 12 at the Buffalo Invitational with a PR
Grace Lowder PR'd at the event.



Macie Kisner placed 8th and gained a PR at the Willard Tournament. Kaylee Replogle PR for the second time this season.



Sophie Hall and Kendyl Dolan with their celebration banners.