



Hello MNHS Families,

Thursday PHL 17 news came to complete an athletic spotlight on the captain of our Central League Championship Girl Cross Country Team. Lindsey Moppert and her camera man spent time interviewing coaches and athletes about the contribution our athlete has had to the school and to the cross-country program. It is an exciting moment when a Marple Newtown athlete gets recognized for being a wonderful student, athlete and person. The feature will be shown on Monday 10/12/26 at 5:45pm, 6:45pm, 7:30pm and 8:45pm. Please tune it for the opportunity to see one of Marple's best young women be recognized for so many positive accomplishments. This is a well-deserved experience, and we are very proud of everything she has and will accomplish.

On Friday, we had our 8th graders from Paxon Hollow Middle School hear a presentation and participate in a tour around the building led by our Tiger Guides. During the tour, students were able to visit the mini-college fair. This was an exciting time for staff and students. Students were able to see and hear all we have to offer and staff were able to see many new faces they will see next year.

PSATs will take place on October 14th. Students should report directly to their testing rooms when they arrive to school. 12th grade students will have an asynchronous day so they will **not** attend school in person. They received information pertaining to a Senior Project assignment that must be completed and submitted from home.

Join us for our second PTO meeting. The date was changed to Wednesday, October 14th at 6:00 p.m. in the library. This is a great opportunity to help plan events and collaborate with the high school team. This is a reminder to any family who has not paid the PTO dues as of yet. The cost is \$50 per family. Dues can be sent into school via check made payable to MNHS PTO in an envelope marked PTO DUES or via Venmo @mn-support. Please include your family name with your payment. Your generous support helps ensure that our students have access to these valuable experiences and opportunities throughout the year:

- Sunshine Fund is an outstanding way to make sure every Tiger can participate in school activities
- Staff appreciation luncheons and breakfasts
- Reading Olympics
- Spring/Fall LINK sponsorships - where students connect
- Senior Awards at Tiger Recognition Night
- Renaissance events and trips and funding for those who need it most!
- POP events - Positive on People Award Breakfast

An exciting time for all students is always Homecoming! The Homecoming Game will take place on Friday, October 23rd. Our Homecoming Dance will take place on Saturday, October 24th from 6:30 – 9:00 P.M. Tickets will cost \$20 and will be on sale from October 12th through October 23rd during advisory in the classrooms of Ms. McSorley, Mrs. Tull, Mr. Baker, and Mr. Hannan. No outside guests are allowed.

Marple Newtown High School students have many fundraising opportunities throughout the school year. Ongoing fundraisers have been moved to "Fundraisers" under "Reminders".

New Fundraisers:

- Best Buddies will sell Blow-Pops that look like ghosts during lunch until Oct. 27th. They will be delivered right before Halloween.

Reminders:

- **Student Drop-off:** Student drop-off is located at the back entrance of the building. Doors open at 6:55 a.m. and all students will then report to the cafeteria. At 7:25 a.m. the rest of the building will open, and students can report directly to Block 1. Please be mindful of your speed and the direction you are driving when driving through the lot.
- **School Start/End Time/Attendance:** Block 1 begins at 7:40 a.m. and Block 5 concludes at 2:35 p.m. Report absences via email or phone: hsattendance@mnsd.org or 610.359.4219.
- **Transportation Information:** All information, including your bus number, pick-up and drop-off times, and routes can be found on your Infinite Campus portal. Parents are able to track the bus through the "Here Comes the Bus" app. The district code is 87587.
- **School Breakfast/Lunch:** Click [here](#) for an important message on the district website regarding school lunches for the 2026-2027 school year.
 - o Breakfast is free for all students
 - o The National School Lunch Program application must be completed online every year. This application is how families qualify for free lunch. During the 2026-2027 school year, any student who qualified for reduced lunch will receive free lunch. To complete the application online use the link for the school café. If you need a paper application, click [here](#). Menus can also be found on the MNSD website under food service when the school year begins. Click [here](#) for the school café.
- **Visitors:** All visitors must report to the main entrance and scan their ID through Raptor to obtain access to the building.
- **Technology/Laptops:** Marple Newtown School District has a One-to-One Laptop Program. Click [here](#) for detailed information on the One-to-One Damage Waiver Program including registration.
 - o All students participating in the one-to-one program should have registered and paid the insurance.
- **Sports:** Click [here](#) to access sports schedules.

Fundraisers:

- o Attention parents who also have elementary aged children in the school district. Mini-THON is hosting a Special Person's Dance. All proceeds go directly to the Four Diamonds organization to fight childhood cancer. Click [here](#) to register.
- o Attention parents - The Golf Team is having a fundraiser to win Titleist Vokey Wedge or a Turtlebox Speaker. 1 chance = \$10, 2 chances = \$15, and 3 chances = \$25. Venmo: [@valerie-daly-224](#) - comment your name and cell#.
- o Class of 2027! You will find information pertaining to commencement, senior portraits, the yearbook, and Lawn Signs by clicking [here](#).
- o The Baseball Team is selling 12in. x 18in. Tiger Pride Garden Flags. Click [here](#) to complete the Google Form to order.
- o The STEM Academy is hosting an online apparel fundraiser beginning Oct. 5th. Click [here](#) to order. This sale will end on 10-16-26.
- o Click [here](#) for the football team's spirit wear sale.
- o Best Buddies is having a Plastic Pumpkin Decorating Fundraiser for students, and the winner can win a prize.
- o In November, FBLA will host a Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser and Stuff a Tiger Fundraiser.
- o In November, Module UN will host a Cornhole Tournament after school to raise funds to lower costs for their upcoming trip.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events. If you are interested in volunteering in our school, click [here](#) for more information about necessary forms and clearances. We are looking forward to a great year!

Important Dates:

10/12 – Senior Night Volleyball
10/14 – PSAT – during the school day
10/14 – PTO Meeting – Library 6:00 p.m.
10/21 – Wellness Day
10/22 – Junior Initiative Speakers Conference
10/23 – Homecoming Football Game
10/24 – Homecoming Dance

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District:

The Marple Newtown Board of School Directors will meet on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, for Committee Meetings held in the Board Room of the Administration Building. The public is encouraged to attend.

- Budget and Finance - 6:30pm
- Facilities and Transportation - Immediately following Budget and Finance
- Curriculum and Instruction - Immediately following Facilities and Transportation

Marple Newtown School District is hiring Special Education Assistants. The salary for this tenth-month, 184-day, position is \$22,216.00 and includes a premium full benefits package and retirement plan. To learn more about the position, qualification requirements, and how to apply, visit the district web page, <https://www.mnsd.org/>, click on the “Employment” tab, <https://www.mnsd.org/our-district/employment>, or visit <https://marplenewtown.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>.

Marple Newtown School District is hiring bus drivers. The pay rate for a fully qualified CDL bus driver is \$32.06/hour. Paid training is provided for candidates who do not yet have a CDL. The pay rate during training is \$20.69/hour, increasing to \$32.06/hour once CDL credentials are completed. Benefits include personal days, sick days, holidays, and participation in PSERS retirement.

PHMS:

Paxon Hollow Middle School is looking forward to another exciting week! We will host our first PTO meeting of the school year on Monday, October 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the PHMS Library. Immediately following the meeting, our 8th grade families are invited to begin planning end-of-year activities, including the 8th grade trip, celebration, and promotion ceremony.

Our student clubs are also in full swing, with Yearbook Club, Dungeons & Dragons, and Movie Club providing opportunities for students to connect with peers and explore their interests. Looking ahead, our Student Council is preparing for Bingo Night on Friday, October 23, from 5:30–7:30 p.m. We appreciate the continued involvement and support of our PHMS families as we work together to make this a wonderful year for our Tigers!

All Elementary Schools:

Fall is here, be sure to read your school's weekly newsletter carefully to ensure you don't miss any fun activities. Enjoy pumpkin spice everything!

Marple Newtown High School's Mini-Thon Club is already hard at work raising funds to combat childhood cancer. They are holding a Special Persons Dance fundraiser on November 13, please click [here](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sM7DAnB4iN1vJpaashZXPTOq-CqADrNg/view) to view the flyer: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sM7DAnB4iN1vJpaashZXPTOq-CqADrNg/view>