



MHS Smoke Signals

August 2018
Vol. 1

A NOTE FROM MR. WOODROME

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! We wrapped up the 2017-18 school year with recognition as one of the country's best high schools according to US News and World Report and I am confident we will continue right where we left off. With the start of the new school year, we are excited to introduce the Project Lead the Way STEM curriculum to students enrolled in Intro to Engineering and Intro to Computer Science. We will also begin a new era athletically with the new turf on Alumni Field. I hope you are able to join us on August 16 from 6:30-8:35 pm for MHS Open House.

2018-19 is setting up to be another great year at MHS and the administrative team looks forward to working with you along the way!

Please take a few minutes each month to read through *Smoke Signals* to stay informed. It is used by the administration and counseling offices to share important information with you. If you ever have any questions, do not hesitate reaching out to one of the administrators or school counselors.

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, August 16, 2018
6:30pm – 8:35pm

Meet in the Auditorium.

Please bring your student's
schedule with you.

*Wishing the students of MHS a
successful school year!!!*

Mr. Brandon Woodrome, Principal
Mr. Jeff Junker, Asst. Principal
Ms. Amy Wysocki, Asst. Principal
Mr. Scott Battas, Athletic/Activities Director

School Telephone: 618-566-8523
Office Hours: 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

School Physicals

A school physical, including proof of immunizations, is required for all students entering Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 6th and 9th grades. Students in grades 6 and 12 must show proof of immunization against meningococcal disease.

Previously enrolled students entering Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, 6th, 9th and 12th grades must meet the above requirements *on the first day of school*. This includes any students that enrolled for the 2018-2019 school year prior to June 1, 2018. Failure to provide a school physical with proof of immunizations will result in exclusion from school until the appropriate health records are provided.

PLAN AHEAD

- **Fall Finals** will be December 18, 19, 20 and 21.
- **Spring Finals** will be the last 4 days of the semester - May 17, 20, 21, and 22 assuming no snow days are used **OR** May 28, 29, 30, and 31 if all snow days are used.

Students not present for final exams will receive a zero (F) for 20% of their grade.

Summer School- Fri., May 31 - Fri., June 28

NEW FACULTY AT MHS

We are excited to have the following teachers join the Mascoutah Indian Tribe for the 2018-19 school year.

- **Ms. Jamie Corbier: Social Science** - Ms. Corbier is a native of O'Fallon and has spent her career teaching a variety of Social Science courses at Red Bud High School. There, she also served as a softball coach.
- **Mr. Jarrod Klier: Math** - Mr. Klier comes to us from Civic Memorial in Bethalto where he served in the Math Department for 11 years and holds a Masters in Mathematics Education from SIU-Edwardsville.
- **Ms. Mary Neisler: Special Education** - Ms. Neisler is making a return to the MHS Special Education Department after serving several years as a kindergarten teacher at Scott Elementary School.
- **Mr. Freddie Rice: Vocal Music** - A Belleville native, Mr. Rice recently graduated from Webster University as a Presidential Scholar! He has performed at The Muny, as the conductor for Union Station's *Polar Express*, and has shared the stage with Josh Groban
- **Ms. Jamilah Whiteside: Social Science** - Ms. Whiteside has had the opportunity to teach in several locations throughout the country, most recently in California where she also served on the school board of her daughter's school. She holds a Masters in History from University of Texas-Dallas.

DID YOU KNOW?

Mascoutah High School was once again recognized by US News and World Report as one of the nation's best high schools?
Click on the logo to learn more!



Testing Schedule

PSAT/NMSQT - 10th grade October 10, 2018
PSAT 9th and 10th Grades - April 9, 2019
SAT - 11th Grade April 9, 2019
ISA - Course-Based: Biology March 1 - April 30, 2019
ACT - October 28, 2018 and April 14, 2019 (not offered during the school day)
ASVAB - Interested Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors October 25, 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 9	Freshman Orientation -FMP Day 7:55-12:00 pm
August 9	New Student Orientation 1:30 - 3:00
August 15	Classes Begin- Dismissal @ 10:55
August 16	Picture Day
August 16	Open House 6:30 - 8:35
August 17	Purple/White Football Game
Sept. 3	Labor Day - No School
Oct. 1-4	Homecoming Week
Oct. 3	Homecoming Parade & Bonfire
Oct. 5	Teacher In-Service-No School
Oct. 6	Homecoming Dance
Oct. 8	Columbus Day - No School
Oct. 12	End of 1st Quarter
Oct. 24	Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-8pm (Students are in attendance)
Oct. 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences 12-8pm (No School)
Oct. 26	No School

MHS PICTURE DAY

Picture Day will be held Thursday, August 16. All students will have their photograph taken regardless of purchasing a picture pack. Order forms were mailed to returning students and additional order forms are located in the Main and Guidance Offices.

All Students will have their ID cards printed at this photo session.

PARENTS MAY VIEW THE SMOKE SIGNALS AND DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE MASCOUTAH HIGH SCHOOL WEBSITE:

mhs.msd19.org

FOR INFORMATION CALL: 618-566-8523

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VISIT MASCOUTAH SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLINE AT:

www.mhs.ms19.org

FOLLOW MASCOUTAH HIGH SCHOOL ON TWITTER:

MHS Principal: @M19_MHS
MHS Athletics: @MHS19_Athletics

ONE TEAM, ONE TRIBE, ONE FAMILY

Ways to HELP Your Teen Enter High School:

- Point out the positives about high school, such as choosing your own courses, meeting new people, and having more challenging classes.
- Keep communication lines open so your teen knows he or she has your love and understanding.
- Ask questions about the school day, the friends your child is making, the things they are interested in.
- If academic or social problems arise that you can't help with, suggest your teen talk to school counselors, social workers, or teachers.
- Set and enforce limits. Involve your teen in coming up with family rules and assigning consequences if rules are broken.
- Balance discipline and structure with a sensitivity to your teen's need for privacy and independence.
- Keep alert to distractions so that new activities, relationships, and experiences don't interfere with your teen's academic record.
- Help your student get involved in school activities. This is a commitment for both parent and student.
- Work with your teen to find his or her strengths. This can lead your teen to joining appropriate clubs and sports that will bring new friends, confidence, and skills.
- BE FAIR-----BE FIRM-----BE CONSISTENT.
- DO NOT defend your student when they are wrong.

Mascoutah High School Counseling Office

Andrea Barriger -- Last Names A-Hi & 504 Coordinator
Nancy Frey -- Last Names Ho-R & Running Start Coordinator
Christine Renth -- Last Names S-Z & Students with IEP
Monica Lynch -- School Social Worker
Brandi Garlich -- School Social Worker

Information from Your School Counselors

Schedule Changes:

Schedule changes can still be made for the 2018-2019 school year. Students have **up to five days** after registration/schedule pick-up in July to make changes. A "Request for Schedule Change" form must be filled out and signed by a parent/guardian in order to honor the change.

ACT:

If you missed registering for the June test, you have until **August 10th** to register for the **September 8th test date**. Please visit ACT.org for more information.

SAT:

The next national SAT Test Date is August 25th. You must register for the test by July 27th. The next available testing date is October 6th. Visit <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/dates-deadlines> to register or for more information.

FMP Preview Day:

Attention Incoming Freshman! Please join us on **Thursday, August 9th for FMP Preview Day** from 7:55-noon. Parents may drop their student(s) off at the front of the school. Be sure to wear your purple shirt that you received at registration. This day is totally dedicated to the freshman! Students will meet staff, navigate the school, visit classrooms, try their locker, and explore all things high school related! Lunch is served and parents will need to provide transportation to and from this event. Email Mrs. Barriger at barrigera@msd19.org with any questions.

New Student Orientation (10th-12th graders):

New to MHS? Please join us on Thursday, August 9th from 1:30-3:00 for New Student Orientation! Students should meet in the high school cafeteria and bring their schedule. Students will have a chance to ask questions, meet current students, take a tour of the school, go through their current schedule, and make some new friends! Email Mrs. Renth at renthc@msd19.org with any questions.

Scholarships:

Please explore all tabs for scholarship opportunities including 'Scholarship Resources on the Web' link. This link will take you to many scholarship search engines that will allow you to search for nationwide scholarships.

WELCOME BACK, INDIANS!



Adopted 2/20/18 (Revised 6/6/18)

2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR

MASCOUTAH COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 19

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2018

August 13-14.....	In-service Days
August 15.....	Classes Begin (1/2 Day Student Attendance)
September 3.....	Labor Day
October 5.....	Teacher In-service Day (No Student Attendance)
October 8.....	Columbus Day
October 25-26.....	No Student Attendance
November 12.....	Veterans Day
November 21-23 (Inclusive).....	Thanksgiving Break
December 21.....	SIP Day (1/2 Day Student Attendance)
December 24-January 4 (Inclusive).....	Winter Break

2019

January 7.....	Classes Resume
January 21.....	Martin Luther King Day
February 18.....	President's Day
March 1.....	SIP Day (1/2 Day Student Attendance)
March 4.....	Teacher In-service Day (No Student Attendance)
April 18-22 (Inclusive).....	Spring Break
May 19.....	Mascoutah High School Graduation at 2:00 pm
May 22.....	School Ends (1/2 Day Student Attendance/No Snow Days Used)
May 27.....	Memorial Day
May 23 - 31.....	Make-up Days**

MONTH	ATTENDANCE DAYS	WORKSHOP IN-SERVICE
August	13	2
September	19	
October	19	1
November	18	
December	15	
January	18	
February	19	
March	20	1
April	19	
May	16	

**Five inclement weather days are included in the calendar. School will end May 22 if inclement weather days are not used. For each day used, school will be extended as follows:

1. May 23
2. May 24
3. May 28
4. May 29
5. May 30
6. May 31

GRADING PERIODS

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
October 12	40 days	3 rd	March 15	47 days	
December 21	44 days	4 th	May 22	45 days	

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

October 24, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
 October 25, 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 February 28, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm



MASCOUTAH HIGH SCHOOL




EXPECTATIONS	Halway	Bath room	Perimeter	Cafeteria	Assemblies	Classroom
M odel Positive Behavior	Respect other people's space	Use good personal hygiene	Follow all traffic and safety rules	Clear your area of trash and tray	Show school spirit while respecting peers and presenters	Make academically successful choices
H onor Yourself & Others	Use appropriate language	Keep area clean	Respect others' space and property	Respect other students' place in line	Stand for National Anthem and school song	Respect those speaking in class
S upport School Rules	Leave personal items in locker	Use in a timely manner	Arrive on time	Use your own I.D.	Sit in designated area	Be responsible for knowing all rules

At MHS we have PBIS. Positive Behavior Interventions & Support. We call it Mascoutah Pride. Information can be found on the website by clicking on the tab on the left labeled Mascoutah Pride/PBIS. Highlighted for August is the student tardy challenge. Students must get to class on time to help their advisory team. The flyer is below.


Mascoutah PRIDE 1st Quarter Reward:


NO TARDIES PARTY



Encourage your Advisory classmates to be on time to all of their classes!

Top Advisory Rewards

1st Place: PIZZA!!! 

2nd Place: DONUTS!! 

3rd Place: Double Lunch!

4th Place: ??????????

MHS Word of the Month



GOAL SETTING

S SPECIFIC

M MEASURABLE

A ATTAINABLE

R RELEVANT

T TIME-BOUND

PBIS Mascoutah PRIDE Fun Facts

PBIS FMP Day highlights 9th graders chance to meet other students prior to school. August 9th, 7:55am - 12pm

All 9th graders receive a purple FMP shirt at Schedule pick-up

Tuesday, July 31st (A--J) or Wednesday, August 1st (K-Z)

PBIS survived 4th quarter carnival last year with many activities. Students enjoyed the day of fun.

WAY TO GO MASCOUTAH INDIANS