



MHS Smoke Signals

September 2018
Vol. II

A NOTE FROM MR. WOODROME

As expected, the 2018-2019 school year is off to a great start! With athletics and other co-curriculars are now in full swing and homecoming week just around the corner, it is an exciting time to be a Mascoutah Indian.

Homecoming will be celebrated from Monday, October 1 - Saturday, October 6.

- The annual parade and bonfire will be held on Wednesday, October 3
- The parade begins at 6:00 pm starting at MMS and proceeds down Harnett to MHS.
- The bonfire begins at the conclusion of the parade and ends at 8:30 pm.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

SAVE THE DATE

October 24 (school in session) - 5-8 pm

October 25 (no school) – 12 pm-8 pm

Information on scheduling your student's conference will be shared soon.

VISIT OUR WEB PAGE:
www.mhs.msdsd19.org

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

FOLLOW ON TWITTER: @M19_MHS

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

MHS HOMECOMING INFO.....

Student Council will once again be hosting the Mascoutah High School Homecoming Dance. This year's dance will be held on Saturday, October 6 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. in the MHS gym. Our theme this year is "Hollywood." Tickets are \$10 and will be on sale outside of the auditorium from Wednesday, September 26-Thursday, October 4.

Wednesday, September 26 - 7:25 - 7:50 am
Thursday, September 27 - 7:25 - 7:50 am
Friday, September 28 - 7:25 - 7:50 am
Monday, October 1 - 2:35 - 3:15 pm
Tuesday, October 2 - 7:25 - 7:50 am
Wednesday, October 3 - 2:35 - 3:15 pm
Thursday, October 4 - 2:35 - 3:30 pm

Any student wishing to bring an out of school date must have the out of school date form completed **before** purchasing a ticket. Students must be in attendance five (5) full periods on Thursday, October 4 (No School on Friday, October 5). All students must arrive to the dance by 8:00 pm. Homecoming court coronation will begin at 9:00 pm. Parents wishing to watch coronation may come at 8:45 pm. Please remember this is a formal dance, so jeans and casual hats are **not allowed**.

*"A winner is a dreamer who never gives up."
Nelson Mandela*

PBIS Word of the Month: Respect

Definition: Esteem for or a sense of the worth or excellence of a person, a personal quality or ability, or something considered as a manifestation of a personal quality or ability.

Quote: "If once you forfeit the confidence of your fellow-citizens, you can never regain their respect and esteem." -Abraham Lincoln

IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Student IDs are issued once yearly at no cost to the student. The purpose of the student ID is to provide a safe, secure, and educationally sound learning environment. The ID will act as the student's identification, library card, and cafeteria card. **All students MUST display their ID around his/her neck and on the outside of his/her clothing at ALL times during the day while on school property.** If you have misplaced/forgotten, lost, or defaced your ID, there will be \$5 charge for a new ID. Students will not be able to 'borrow' a school ID.

Patriotism Day: On September 17, MHS is hosting our third annual "Patriotism Day." We will be hosting a voter registration drive for all eligible students, everyone will be encouraged to wear red, white and blue themed clothing, and we will pay special recognition to Constitution Day (September 17) and the Air Force Birthday (September 18). More information will be shared with students at school.



Testing Schedule

PSAT 10/NMSQT - 10th grade October 10, 2018
(Interested students should sign up in the Counseling Office.)

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

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| September 3 | Labor Day - No School |
| September 7 | Junior Class Ring Assembly With Juniors during Advisory |
| September 13 | Jr Class Ring Orders are due |
| September 19 | Financial Aid Night |
| October 1-4 | Homecoming Week |
| October 3 | Homecoming Parade & Bonfire |
| October 5 | No School/Teacher In-Service |
| October 6 | Homecoming Dance |
| October 8 | Columbus Day |
| October 9 | College Week |
| October 10 | PSAT/NMSQT |
| October 10 | FAFSA Completion Night |
| October 12 | Senior Graduation Announcement Assembly |
| October 12 | End of the 1st Quarter |
| October 16 | Chorus Concert 7:00pm |
| October 17 | Seniors Announcement Orders |
| October 24 | Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-8pm (Students are in attendance) |
| Oct. 25 | Parent/Teacher Conferences 12-8pm (No School) |
| Oct. 26 | No School |
| November 2 | Jazz Concert 7:00 pm |
| November 12 | No School - Veteran's Day |
| November 21-23 | No School-Thanksgiving Break |
| November 30 | Blood Drive |
| December 18-21 | Final Exams |

Save The Date

October 20: Boy's Basketball Trivia Night

-- Ag Building

-- Doors open at 6:00

-- More Information Soon

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 -- Social Worker
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Information from Your School Counselors

Senior Meetings:

All counselors will be meeting individually with seniors during the month of September and October. It will be at this time that we will discuss their responses to their senior survey, along with graduation credits, the ACT & SAT, college applications, scholarships, college representative visits, college fairs, financial aid, and letters of recommendation. Please expect a letter home in October that lists your student's current classes needed to fulfill graduation requirements, as well as an updated number of current graduation credits.

FAFSA:

The FAFSA filing date is **October 1st**. The Counseling Office at MHS is having a Financial Aid night for senior parents in the high school auditorium on **September 19th at 6:00 pm**. Additionally, FAFSA Completion Night will be held at MHS in the Library on **October 10th at 6:00 pm**.

ACT:

If you missed registering for the September test, you have until **September 22nd** to register for the **October 28th test date**. Please remember, Mascoutah High School is a testing center for the October test date. Please visit ACT.org for more information.

SAT + The Khan Academy:

This year all juniors will take the SAT test free of charge. In preparation for the test, students are strongly urged to visit the **Khan Academy** {www.khanacademy.org} website to prepare for the test. Through the Khan Academy, students are able to create their own personal account, answer questions that will in turn generate a unique educational roadmap specific to their needs, and begin working in the areas of English, writing and math to help improve their skill sets before starting practice tests. All students who are planning to take the SAT are encouraged to utilize this free test prep site to help prepare for the test.

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. Keep checking for scholarships! More will be added as the year continues.

College and Career Planning:

If your student needs help choosing the right career path or college, then ACT Profile {www.actprofile.org} can help! ACT Profile is an interactive site where students are able to take three inventories (*interest, ability, and values*) that lead them to college and career clusters that they are able to further explore and gain relevant information from. The counselors encourage students to utilize their accounts and remember their logins and passwords, as this is the tool that will be used to help all grade-levels plan for their futures. Another great source for exploration of college and career planning is www.collegeboard.org. College Board association is made up of over 6,000 of the world's leading educational institutions and is dedicated to promoting excellence and equity in education. Juniors will need to register for the ACT or the SAT on their own this year. Information was given to them at their registration meeting on January 28 including testing dates, timelines, and prices. Juniors will want to take a college entrance exam at least once before their senior year.

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PSAT Test:

During the month of September, the counselors will be visiting all tenth grade honors English classes, as well all junior English classes, to handout information regarding the PSAT. **The deadline to sign-up for the PSAT is Friday, September 28th.** The cost of the test is \$30. The PSAT will be given to those students who sign up on **Wednesday, October 10th during 1st through 4th hours (7:45 am-11:35 am).** More information to come. For Juniors, this test is the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarships. Other grades are welcome to take the test for practice, but the National Merit Scholarships are reserved for **juniors only.**

AP Dual Credit (1818):

Ms. Frey will visit AP classrooms on Wednesday, Sept. 12 and Thursday, Sept. 13th to speak to students about dual credit offered through the 1818 program at St. Louis University. **Students enrolled in AP US History, AP European History, AP Calculus, AP Literature/Comp, or AP Chemistry and have a 2.5 GPA or higher are eligible to enroll in dual credit through the 1818 SLU program. Next semester, SLU will also offer dual credit for the PreCalculus and Hon PreCalculus class.** Ms. Frey will be back in the AP classrooms to register students for dual credit on September 19th and 20th. Please contact Ms. Frey with any questions regarding the program or the enrollment process.

The counselors and Social Workers at MHS want to say WELCOME to the 2018-2019 school year! Please be sure to contact your student's counselor if you have any questions or concerns regarding your student. Here's to a wonderful start of another exciting new school year! We wish all of our students much success! Follow us on Twitter: @MHS19Counselors

*Mrs. Barriger
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MASCOUTAH HIGH SCHOOL




| EXPECTATIONS | Halway | Bath room | Perimeter | Cafeteria | Assemblies | Classroom |
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| 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 September 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: ??????????

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Respect My Authoritah!



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- PBIS recognizes student birthdays weekly. Announced in the cafeteria during lunch and receive coupon.
- Students continue to receive arrowheads for doing the right thing. Weekly drawings are then held for prizes.

WAY TO GO MASCOUTAH INDIANS