ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE THROUGH COLLABORATION AND THE ARTS September Newsletter 2017

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Sept. 6, 20, 27 Minimum Day Sept. 7, 13, 14, 21, 30 9th Blocks Sept. 15-16 Star Flight Sept 19-22 Ashland Oct. 4, 5, 11, 12, 19, 28 9th Blocks Oct. 18, 25 District Minimum Days Oct. 9 Teacher Work Day No students October 19-22 Much Ado About Nothing October 25 Strings Performance River Valley HS October 27 Halloween Dance 7-10 MHS Cafeteria



MARYSVILLE CHARTER **ACADEMY FOR THE ARTS**

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

The school year has just begun and once again I am impressed with the students attending MCAA. I feel fortunate to be at a school filled with so many cheerful, excited students who want to be



at a school learning a particular art they love or studying with the purpose of attending college.

This year will be filled with theatrical shows, recitals, art shows, academic trips to colleges and arts schools, and musical performances. Our first performance will be the one act plays known as "Star-Flight", which are written and performed by our students. I am excited about our new teachers this year. These teachers are energetic, passionate about the subjects they teach, and are able to connect students' interests to the curriculum. I have also noticed they are doing a great job of building relationships with their stu-

This year also promises to be exciting in the area of theater art. The Advanced Drama class will be performing "Much Ado About Nothing" and "Nice Work If You Can Get It". One of the Beginning Drama productions will be "James and the Giant Peach". I want to thank all of the parents involved in the PTSA, the site council, and any other volunteer activity at MCAA. These parents give their precious time and energy so that we can buy sound equipment, repair instruments, pay for field trips, provide scholarships, and much more.

As I stated earlier, this school year has had an outstanding beginning and with the help of all involved, will continue to be outstanding. Pin Malone

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

STUDENTS AND **PTSA**

Students who wish to join the PTSA may check with MCAA Senior, Pippa Fuschich. She has the forms and will sign you up! The cost is \$5 for one year.

PTSA

PTSA Meeting Dates

September 11

October 2

November 6

December 4

January 8

Feb 5

March 5

April 16

May 7

June 4

Coming to the PTSA meetings count toward volunteer hours.

6 pm in Room 7

INTERVIEW WITH THE NEW TEACHER

I had the wonderful opportunity to sit down and get to know our newest teacher Mr. Fridrich.

Q: When did you start teach-

A: "This year. It's my first year teaching actually."

Q: Where did you go to school? A: "Chico State, Arizona State, Cuesta College, and Butte Col-

Q: What classes are you teach-

A: "English 8, 9,10 and 12." Q: How are you liking MCAA

A: "It's amazing. You guys are amazing. I couldn't imagine being at a better school."

Q: What do you think is the biggest challenge students face? A: "Those that give up themselves or peer pressure/social struggles."

What do you find

most enjoyable about teach-

A: "I like seeing students understand things, being able to grasp the material being taught. I also like being able to see students enjoy what they're learning."

Q: Any advice to your stu-

A: "Participate! Talk, be a part of the community."

SAT Help

By: Montia Green

Juniors and Seniors! As you all know, it is now time to start taking/preparing for the SAT. However, it can be hard to know where to find the best study guides or websites in order to practice for these tests. Here is a list of recommended books and websites:

- www.collegeboard.org
- www.khanacademy.org
- www.prepscholar.co
- Kallis' Redesigned SAT Pattern Strategy (Amazon price: \$30)
- SAT Black Book, Second Edition (Amazon price: \$26.99)
- McGraw-Hill Education SAT 2017 (Amazon price: \$18)
- Barron's New SAT (Amazon price: \$11)
- Princeton Review's Cracking the New SAT (Amazon price: \$22)

COUNSELING CORNER



Welcome Back MCAA Students and Parents,

It is hard to believe another year is underway! All first semester schedule changes have been made so students will need to keep their current classes until second semester at which time they will have the opportunity to request a change.

The fall is a busy time of year, especially for seniors. I have reviewed senior transcripts to make sure students are on track for high school graduation. I will also be meeting with seniors over the next few months to review their plans for after graduation and offer support as needed.

The application window for seniors who plan to apply to a California State University (CSU) or University of California (UC) school is just around the corner. The CSU window opens October 1st and remains open until November 30th. UC applications are currently available online; however, the submission window is only open November 1st through November 30th. Private universities and out-of-state schools set their own deadlines so students should research the specific schools they are interested in to ensure they meet all deadlines. Students who plan to attend a community college next year will not need to start the application process until the spring semester.

Yuba College will be hosting College Information Day on Wednesday, October 4th. Seniors will have the opportunity to attend this free event where they will be able to meet with college representatives from Yuba College, as well as other universities from around the state and beyond. I will be visiting the Civics classes to give students an opportunity to sign up. If your senior does not have Civics, please have them stop by the Counseling Office as soon as possible if they are interested in attending this event.

Students who are 4-year college bound must take the SAT and/or ACT entrance exams. Seniors who plan to apply to a university this fall must have completed at least one of these tests by no later than December 2017. Juniors who plan to be eligible for a 4-year university should consider taking the SAT and/or ACT in the spring. Upcoming SAT test dates are October 7th, November 4th and December 2nd. Upcoming ACT dates are October 28th and December 9th. Registration deadlines are typically about a month prior to the actual test date, so sign up now. Fee waivers are available based on income. Stop by the Counseling Office for more information about fee waivers, practice tests or how to register. Students who want official SAT practice tests or a tailored practice plan should visit www.khanacademy.org for free resources.

In order to prepare for the SAT, MCAA will be offering juniors the opportunity to take the PSAT on Wednesday, October 11th. The PSAT is an exam geared toward helping students prepare for the SAT. Students who will be taking the test will be given more information and a study guide later this month.

Fall is always a busy time of year, but please don't hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance to you or your student.

Christy Spade Page 3

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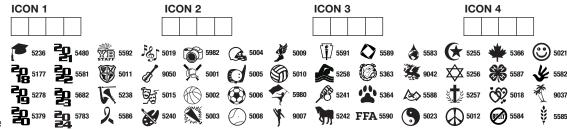
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Welcome Back Dragons! Dear Parents,

I will be mailing home Aeries account information for all new parents and students to create an Aeries account to check grades and missing assignments. Both parents and students can make an account using this information.

First quarter progress report cards will be mailed home on September 22. If your child has a doctor, dentist, or personal appointment, it really helps our school if they can be present part of the day. Our school operates on funds that are based upon your child's attendance. When we have many absences it not only affects your child's success as a student, but also affects the success of our school. When your child is absent for any reason including personal business, or illness we do not receive attendance funding for those days.

Please call me to verify your child's absences at 749-6148.

For absences of 1 day or more please call me to arrange short term independent study.

Perfect Attendance is recognized each school year. Students with perfect attendance for the 2017-2018 school year will receive a \$25.00 gift certificate.

Sincerely, Brenda Brown Counseling Secretary



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