

Maricopa High School Newsletter

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Principal's News

Good evening RAM Nation!

The MUSD Governing Board voted to begin the Spring Semester in a Distance Learning Model. Therefore, when we return on January 5, 2021, students will connect virtually. The Learning Lab will still be open and we highly encourage any student who needs reliable connectivity to attend. Transportation will be provided but you must contact Paula Pavlosky, 520-568-8100, to make arrangements. A letter outlining further details for the Learning Lab will be attached to this Newsletter email.

We will be adding a Response to Intervention (RTI) framework to our second semester schedule. We recognize the need for additional student support. The bell schedule will include a 45 minutes ACHIEVE Intervention period for all students. Further information is outlined in this edition of the MHS Newsletter.

Please continue to report positive COVID cases over the break. This will aid us in supporting quarantines and student learning when we return. Please email me, dmcnamee@musd20.org, to notify us of a positive results, as well as direct exposure.

I am extremely proud and honored to be part of the MHS Family. The students, families, staff and community are genuine, supportive and committed. We look forward to strengthening our partnership as we enter the New Year. Stay safe and stay healthy.

Wishing you the best this Holiday season,

Ms. Deana McNamee, Principal
Maricopa High School

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Dec. 19-Jan. 4 - Winter Break
- ◆ Jan. 5 - School Resumes in Distance Learning
- ◆ Jan. 7 - Special Governing Board Meeting
- ◆ Jan. 18 - MLK Jr. Day, No School
- ◆ Jan. 26 - PSAT/NMSQT Administration
- ◆ Feb. 15 - President's Day, No School

ACHIEVE Intervention

What is Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) or Response to Intervention (RTI)?

MTSS or RTI is a systematic process to ensure every student receives the additional time and support needed to learn at high levels through timely, targeted, systematic interventions to all students who demonstrate the need. (Buffum, Mattos, & Weber, 2012 p. xiii)

MHS will continue to monitor and adjust our practice to meet the needs of our students. Based on our Fall semester student achievement and attendance data, as well as student, family, and staff feedback, we have identified the following Concerns and Needs.



Concern	Need
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High number of course failures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reteach of Essentials Concepts & Skills
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High number of students missing assignments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Support and Time to complete assignments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Absenteeism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Follow up and communication
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Social-Emotional Development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Counseling Support and Strategy Development

What will this look like in Semester 2?

ACHIEVE INTERVENTION



ACHIEVE Intervention

What will my student be doing?

The Intervention Plan - Reteach

WHO?

Students who are failing Core Subjects

- ▶ ELA
- ▶ Math
- ▶ Science
- ▶ Social Studies

Classes will be smaller.

WHAT?

Reteach of Essential Standards and Skills in a 4-5 week block.

Earn a D for Semester 1 course.

Any F will be changed to an In Progress (IP)

WHEN?

A 45 minute period on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Scheduled as needed in 4 Blocks throughout Semester 2.

The Intervention Plan - Study Hall/Enrich

WHO?

Students who passed semester one core courses.

Classes will be larger.

WHAT?

Work on classwork with adult support.

Extension/Enrich for students who are academically successful (Not more work).

Build connections and provide encouragement.

WHEN?

A 45 minute period on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.



ACHIEVE Intervention

Semester 2 Schedule and Schedule Changes

Report Cards will be mailed home next week
 Access to view schedules and grades will close on Monday, December 21st and will not be visible to students and families in StudentVue and ParentVue until Tuesday, January 4th.



A Choice that Fits

Changes to Brick and Mortar and Distance Learning Placements will be made as requested by families through the **MHS Change in Placement for Semester 2** Google Form responses.

Periods 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, 6, 7, 8 rotate every other day

SEMESTER 2 WILL BEGIN IN DISTANCE LEARNING

On December 17th, the MUSD Governing Board voted to begin the Spring Semester in Distance Learning January 5th-8th.

All students will connect virtually with teachers. A Learning Lab will be open in the MHS Cafeteria during regular school hours for students who need reliable internet and a place to work. The cafeteria will also have grab-and-go meals available.

Please contact the MHS office, 520-568-8100, and ask for Paula Pavlosky for further information, to register your student for this opportunity and request transportation.

PERIOD	REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE - BLOCK	
0 HOUR	6:30 am - 7:25 am	
Periods 1 / 5	7:30 am - 9:20 am	Class
ACHIEVE 2 / 6	9:30 am - 10:15am	Enrichment/Intervention
Periods 3 / 7	10:25 am - 12:40 pm	CLASS/LUNCH
1ST LUNCH	10:25 am - 10:55 am	LUNCH
	11:00 am - 12:40 pm	CLASS
2ND LUNCH	10:25am - 11:15 am	CLASS
	11:15 am - 11:45 am	LUNCH
3RD LUNCH	11:50 am - 12:40 pm	CLASS
	10:25 am - 12:05pm	CLASS
Periods 4 / 8	12:10 pm - 12:40 pm	LUNCH
	12:50 pm - 2:30 pm	CLASS
Period 9	2:35 pm - 3:30 pm	

PERIOD	EARLY RELEASE BELL SCHEDULE - BLOCK	
0 HOUR	6:30 am - 7:25 am	
Periods 1 / 5	7:30 am - 9:05 am	Class
Periods 3 / 7	9:15 am - 11:15 am	Class
1ST LUNCH	9:15 am - 9:45 am	LUNCH
	9:50 am - 11:15 am	CLASS
2ND LUNCH	9:15 am - 10:00 am	CLASS
	10:00 am - 10:30am	LUNCH
3RD LUNCH	10:35 am - 11:15 am	CLASS
	9:15 am - 10:40 am	CLASS
Periods 4 / 8	10:45 am - 11:15 am	LUNCH
	11:25 am - 12:30 pm	CLASS
Period 9	12:35 pm - 1:30 pm	

Counseling News



THERE ARE 16 SEATS LEFT FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT ENGLISH 101 FOR NEXT SEMESTER. INTERESTED 11TH OR 12TH GRADE STUDENTS NEED TO CONTACT BRUSSONIELLO@MUSD20.ORG

\$50 yearbooks through Dec only! Order at www.yearbookforever.com. Price will raise to \$60 on Jan 1.

Senior Ads due Jan 22! Order at www.yearbookforever.com

Senior Photo Sessions Jan 11-16 - Seniors will be pre-scheduled for a yearbook headshot the week of Jan 11-16, and families can choose to book an optional longer session with outfit changes etc.. Lifetouch is mailing and emailing detailed information including appointment codes and \$10 coupon codes to cover the Yearbook photo. Please watch your parent and student emails for info from Lifetouch and Ms. Martin
Contact tmartin@mUSD20.org with questions

Sneak Peek
of your 20-21 yearbook cover!



Only \$50 through Dec!
Will be \$60 in Jan.
www.yearbookforever.com

Yearbook Cover Reveal!

2020 has been like no other, and your yearbook team is working to capture it all for a great book! Welcome to our 2020-2021 yearbook cover and theme -

Facing Reality

The reality of Covid, of world & national events, of on-again/off-again campus activity, and the reality of **all of US** - still learning, growing, & becoming!

SENIOR SHOUT OUT!

Thank you SENIORS for setting a masterful example for our Ram Family.

The Class of 2021 is leading the way and shining with their accomplishments, even through these trying times.

Maricopa's most distinguished class to date, we have the following achievements to recognize

- ✓ 180 seniors with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher
- ✓ Over 130 applicants to NAU; \$3.5 million in scholarships awarded
- ✓ More than 60 ASU applicants; \$1.5 million in scholarships awarded
- ✓ Double the number of students applying to competitive and out-of-state schools through the Common and Coalition applications
- ✓ Over 400 seniors GPA-eligible for Promise for the Future, more than \$2 million in scholarships
- ✓ 32% FAFSA completion rate - one of the top 10 LARGE high schools in the state

Scholarship totals at \$7 million in December... we cannot wait to see what our seniors accomplish!

Senior News

Graduation Orders: Josten's is encouraging seniors to place their orders by November 20 to ensure timely delivery. To order just the cap and gown (comes with tassel), [click here](#). Cap and gowns are \$27.95 and will be delivered to MHS in the spring. Order early! All graduation order questions need to be directed to Joe and Jan Grossi, our Josten's representatives. Office: 520-344-8777 Email: joe.grossi@jostens.com Web: www.jostens.com

FAFSA: Over 50% of MHS seniors are eligible for Pell Grant awards, up to \$6,345 to assist them with post-secondary plans. Grants can be used at community colleges, trade schools and universities. Apply for the 2021-2022 FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov. MHS counselors are available every Friday in the live meet for student support, 8:00 am - 2:30 pm. <https://meet.google.com/sjf-fitn-nwg>

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT:

Seniors, complete the following Google Form to submit a photo and bio to be shared on our website. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSealTGo2e21adLM19Wn7w3lf8et6rtnDmX-DRkuH1FGPAZNgA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&gxids=7628>

Junior News

FREE ACT School-Day for Juniors, April 6 MHS participates in the ACT for state-testing. All juniors will take the ACT this April in place of AZM2.

SAT May 8, MHS will be a national test center for the SAT. Seats fill fast. Register online at www.sat.org

Sophomore News

PSAT 10 Freshmen and Sophomores planning on university can sign up to take the PSAT 10 in the bookstore for just \$17. This assessment provides students support for college admissions and personalized test prep. The test will be February 24 and **students can register through January 30.**



Freshmen News

PSAT 10 Freshmen and Sophomores planning on university can sign up to take the PSAT 10 in the bookstore for just \$17. This assessment provides students support for college admissions and personalized test prep. The test will be February 24 and **students can register through January 30**

Athletics



Winter Sports Update:

The winter sports competition start date has been pushed back to January 18th. Practices will continue as scheduled

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ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

FALL SPORTS

Cross Country:

Annabelle Dayley
Filimon Kednmary
Maverick Miller
Lauren Grist
Harmony Vargas
Jovanni Fontes
Ailed Cota Montoya
Slade Miller

Ebony Griffin (honorable mention)
Stephanie Vasquez Rocha (honorable mention)

Cheerleading:

Emily Hadder
Macy Anglin (honorable mention)

