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IMPORTANT DATES

PTO MEETING

**Wednesday, April 1
7:00 P.M.
LGI**

MHS PROM

**Saturday, April 25th
6:30 – 10:00 P.M.**

GRAND MARCH

**Saturday, April 25th
4:45 – 6:15 P.M.
MHS Fieldhouse**

SPRING MUSICAL

***Beauty and the Beast*
April 30 @ 7:00
May 1 & 2 @ 7:00pm
May 4th @ 2:00pm**

A MESSAGE FROM PTO

A representative from Excel Edge gave a presentation about high school testing at the March PTO meeting. Among other things he spoke about were the upcoming changes to the PSAT and the SAT.

The next PTO meeting will be April 1st at 7:00pm in the Resource Room. Mrs. Daugherty will be presenting the summer reading requirements. She will provide parents with the summer reading lists and will also answer questions. Please consider attending this meeting to gain a better understanding about the summer reading program. Parents of incoming eighth graders are also invited to attend.

Reality Store is just around the corner (Wednesday, April 8th). Please contact Debby Flahaven at 838-7638 or queendlcf@aol.com if you can help for the day. Freshman parents, this is the perfect opportunity to be involved and witness education in action. Many of you have volunteered for this event before and know what an enjoyable experience it is and how much the students benefit from it. Please spread the word as we need many volunteers to make the day go smoothly. Also, this is the last year Reality Store will take place at MHS. Beginning next year, this event will take place at WWMS with the eighth graders.

If you are interested in being a PTO board member, please let me or another board member know before the April meeting. New members and fresh ideas are always welcome. We will present a slate for the MHS PTO Board at the April meeting, and it will be voted on at the May meeting. It is hard to believe we only have two more meetings left this year.

Debby Flahaven,
PTO President

ATHLETES with "A" AVERAGE

Boys Basketball:

Kevin Schlotman	Drew Hackett
Luke Hackett	Adam Ostoich
Austin Eiland	Luke Pillarella
Antoine Van Dyke	Jake Ingoglia
Milan Obradovic	Tony Daniels
Luciano Medina	Noah Moell
Jimmy Forde	Joe Yoniles
Robert Went	John Hulsey
Andrew Getting	

Boys Swimming:

Collin Sroge	Logan Armagast
Nick Lundin	Clay Arnold
Armani Chavolla	Vincent Niaves
James Svols	Joseph Baeza
Dakota Gronkiewicz	

Cheerleading:

Tessa Bales	Thalia Chioros
Briana Crowe	Jillian Dixon
Katie Dedelow	Dana Levitan
Stephanie Patterson	Rebecca Radtke
Khalehla Strong	Autumn Whaley
Hannah Zarembo	Emily Zellinger

Dance:

Jackie Dye	Melissa Fronczek
Dylan Goodman	Meredith Simmons
Catherine Tavitas	Caia Trykall
Stephanie Vjestica	Sara Wilson
Sofia Balac	Niki Crowe
Anna Dabrowski	Jolie Goldberg
Emma Harvath	Gabie Ingoglia
Emily Mudroncik	Kate Radde
Maggie Van Kleek	Victoria Williams

Girls Basketball:

Jordan Cole	Natalie Vellutini
Miranda Mihalic	Megan Wilkens
Maria Sirounis	Megan Zabrecky
Madelyn Moore	Jaycee Helmer
Meredith Lee	Ella Speckhard
Maeve Riley	Kim Giannini
Jennifer Watterson	

Girls Swimming:

Sydney Kawalec	Allison Cunningham
Audry Mayer	Hannah Dempsey
Nicole Smith	Charlene Cortez
Kaitlyn McHale	Kristin Osborne
Megan Wimmer	Margaret Vaitkus
Isabella Blackford	Aleksandra Manojlovic

WRESTLING:

Jason Crary	Dylan DeYoung
Adam Kulam	Jeremy Sarnowski

Student Athletic Trainers:

Mary Ellen Gilhooly	Meagan Thornburg
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CONGRATULATIONS

Special congratulations to our following teams and athletes on all their achievements during the season:

Boys Basketball – NCC Conference Championship & Sectional Championship

Boys Swimming - NCC Conference Championship & Sectional Championship, 8th Place State,
State Champion Backstroke - Wilson Beckman

Girls Swimming – NCC Conference Championship & Sectional Championship, 11th Place State

NCC ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE WINTER 2014-15

The criteria for the NCC Academic All-Conference Scholar Athlete Award are as follows:

1. The athlete must have a cumulative GPA or 3.2 out of 4.0 or equivalent based on last completed semester.
2. Minimum SAT of 1530 or ACT 22
3. Rank in the top 25% of their senior class

BOYS BASKETBALL:

Kevin Schlotman	Nikola Mandic
Austin Eiland	Adam Ostoich

BOYS SWIMMING:

Jeremy Gonzalez	Seth Weston
Colin Sroge	

Wrestling:

Adam Kulam	Dylan DeYoung
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CHEERLEADING:

Briana Crowe

DANCE:

Meredith Simmons	Catherine Tavitas
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GIRLS BASKETBALL:

Jordan Cole	Natalie Velluntini
Miranda Mihalic	Megan Wilkens

GIRLS SWIMMING:

Sydney Kawalec	Allison Cunningham
Audrey Mayer	Hannah Dempsey
Nicole Smith	



MHS PROM NEWS

Theme: Masquerade Ball
 Date: April 25, 2015
 Time: 6:30-10:00 p.m.
 Place: Serbian Social Center, Lansing, Illinois



SPRING MUSICAL



The Munster Theatre Company is pleased to present its spring musical, **Disney's BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**, running **Thursday, April 30; Friday, May 1; Saturday, May 2 at 7pm, and Sunday, May 3 at 2pm** in Munster Auditorium. The production is a stage adaptation of the 1991 animated motion picture, and will feature a cast of sixty. Tickets are \$7 at the door (senior and student tickets \$5). Tickets are available at the Auditorium Box Office on performance nights.

MHS GRAND MARCH

Date: April 25th
Time: 4:45 – 6:15 p.m.
Place: MHS Field house



BAND NEWS

Congratulations to the MHS Jazz Band for earning a Gold Rating at ISSMA contest.

Congratulations to Jake Yalowitz for being named to the Indiana All State Band on alto saxophone, and to Arlo Detmer on flute and Elliot Fus on Horn for being named as alternates.

The following band members earned gold ratings at ISSMA State Solo and Ensemble:

Large Flute Ensemble:

Arlo Detmer, Prahneet Girm, Genisis Tienstra, Mei Brasel, , Ryanna Pastrana, Jenna Cappo,

Saxophone Quartet:

Emma Stevens, Daniel Kapitan, Matthew Levin, Riley McKeever

Saxophone Quartet:

Jake Yalowitz, Isaac Brody, John Karamichos, Catherine Oesterle

Drum Set - Jonathan Lemke

Trombone - Joshua Morris

Alto Saxophone - Jake Yalowitz

Alto Saxophone - Isaac Brody -

Baritone Saxophone - Catherine Oesterle

Trumpet - Jeremy Murphy

Flute and Piccolo - Arlo Detmer



ORCHESTRA NEWS

The MHS Orchestra has some big events coming up to round out the end of the school year! Wednesday, April 8th MHS Symphony Orchestra will showcase their ISSMA State Qualifiers program. Two senior soloists will also perform some very difficult repertoire for the audience.

The Symphony Orchestra will be competing at ISSMA State Qualifiers on Friday, May 2nd after a 3 year hiatus. The students have been working very hard on their program and hope to come away with a Gold rating.

All Orchestras will end the season on Monday, May 11th with a thematic concert portraying songs of "War and Peace".



FOOD COURT NEWS

Spring Menu:

The Spring Mustang Cafe Menu will begin on March 30th. Menus can be found on the Food Service website at www.MunsterCafe.com. The Spring Mustang Cafe Menu will continue through May 22nd. The last week of school will be announced just prior to this serving week.

Breakfast Offered Daily

Breakfast is offered daily at MHS. Student breakfast is \$ 1.30 and includes an entrée, fruit, juice and milk. Start your day the right way!

Meal Account Reminder:

Parents are reminded that students can go through money on their lunch accounts very quickly if they are purchasing extra items or lunch for a friend. Lunch account spending is between you and your student(s). A regular lunch is \$2.35 and a second lunch is \$2.50. It is the student's responsibility to monitor their account as charging is not permitted at the high school level. For account balance information parents may visit the Parent Portal and click the green "\$". The balances on Parent Portal are always a day behind.

- MySchoolBucks.com is an online payment option for parents to deposit money in your students meal account from the comfort of your home. A credit card or debit card may be used. There is a small fee for this service and it can take up to 24 hours to reach your students meal account.

Meal Account Refunds:

Refunds can be requested for student meal accounts. Please call the Food Service Office to obtain the refund claim form. Refunds are not given in cash. A check will be mailed to you after school board approval. Positive or negative funds do stay on your students account for the following school year.

Meal Assistance Applications

Meal Assistance Applications for the 2015-16 school year will not be available until July 1, 2015. Applications cannot be accepted until after July 1st. Please make sure you have the 2015-16 meal assistance application – we cannot accept the previous year application. Meal Assistance Applications will be available on the school website beginning on July 1, 2015.



BEST BUDDIES

The Best Buddies Chapter at Munster High School will host the 5th Annual Northwest Indiana Best Buddies Friendship Walk on Saturday, May 9th at the Munster High School Track. Best Buddies Chapters from Wilbur Wright Middle School, Crown Point High School and Lake Central High School, will be raising money to help support the Best Buddies program. Registration will be at the Munster HS track from 9:30 to 10:30 am. In case of inclement weather, the Walk will be held in the Fieldhouse at Munster High School. The walk, approximately 2 miles, and it will begin shortly after registration. There will be snacks and refreshments.

Although there is no cost to participate, each participant is encouraged to fund-raise a minimum of \$50 to receive an event day t-shirt. To register, go online to www.bestbuddiesindiana.org/lakecowalk and sign up. You can either sign-up as an individual, start your own team or, sign-up to be a part of Best Buddies Munster's team: Munster Mustang Buddies.

Best Buddies is a student-run friendship club. It fosters friendships between students with and without intellectual disabilities. Its goal is to provide meaningful and long lasting friendships for all students. There are Best Buddies Chapters in high schools and colleges throughout Indiana, the United States and the world. This walk is being held to spread the word and help raise funds so that Best Buddies Indiana can continue to help promote these ideals all over the state.

Currently, the Munster Chapter has twenty-one Peer Buddy Pairs and many Associate Members, all of whom participate in activities throughout the year.

If you are interested or want more information, please contact Brent Barton (babarton@munster.us) or Peter Fatouros (pwfatouros@munster.us), or call us at Munster High School (836-3200).



HEALTH SERVICE NOTES

PICK-UP OF MEDICATIONS AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

If you or your student has brought in over-the-counter or prescription medication, please review the following: "Medication that is possessed by a school for administration during school hours or at school functions, for students in grades K-8 may be released only to the student's parent or to an individual who is eighteen (18) years of age or older and who has been designated, in writing, by the student's parent to receive the medication. A school may send home medication that is possessed by the school for administration during school hours or at school functions with a student in grades 9-12, if the student's parent provides written permission for the student to receive the medication" per School Board Policy 5330 <http://www.neola.com/munster-in/> Simply put – I need either a parent to come pick up any medication at the school or I need a signed parent note designating either the student or another responsible adult to pick up the medication.

All medication must be picked up by 3pm on the last day students are in school. Any medication still on the premises after the last day of school will be disposed of properly.

PLEASE NOTE: Effective for the 2015/2016 school year the health office will no longer provide acetaminophen and ibuprofen to the students. Parents can bring in a small bottle of an over the counter medication to keep in the nurses office.

HEARING TESTS FOR SOPHOMORES COMPLETED

All sophomores as well as juniors and seniors that are new to MHS are in the process of completing the required hearing tests this year. Your student will be informed if they passed or failed. If you have not been contacted by me by the middle of April, then your student passed the hearing test. If your student failed the first time, I will re-test him/her two weeks later in order to allow any colds/congestion to clear up. If your student failed a second time, then I will send a letter to the address we have on file to alert the parent of a possible hearing problem and to recommend follow up with a physician. Please take this recommendation seriously and have your student undergo a professional hearing exam. "Children with hearing loss have difficulty with all areas of academic achievement, especially reading and mathematical concepts....The gap in academic achievement between children with normal hearing and those with hearing loss usually widens as they progress through school. The level of achievement is related to parental involvement and the quantity, quality, and timing of the support services children receive."

American Speech-Learning-Hearing Association at <http://www.asha.org/public/hearing/disorders/effects.htm> Please ask your student about their hearing test experience. Please feel free to contact the nurse about any of the above topics or other issues at 836-3200 x 3219.

SCHOOL PHYSICAL

If you have a student who will be attending 9th grade at Munster High School next fall, the following information may be of interest to you as you plan for summer break and the fall 2015 school semester. A physical examination is required for all freshmen students. The Physical Examination form was given to the students at the guidance information session in early February. The form is also available on our web site. **NOW IS THE TIME TO SCHEDULE A PHYSICAL EXAM DATE FOR YOUR STUDENT!**

ATHLETIC PHYSICAL

Please note that the "Physical Examination and Health Information Form" is the School Physical. If your student plans to participate in a school sport they must also have the "IHSA Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation Form" filled out. This form is also available on the web site and in most of the school offices. So if your student is a 9th grader who plans to try out for a sport you must get both of the above forms filled out when they go for their physical. The Indiana State Department of Health requires that students be up to date with current immunization requirements to attend school. Please check with your doctor to be sure your child is up to date.

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SATURDAY, MAY 9TH

**AT THE MUNSTER
HIGH SCHOOL TRACK**

Registration begins
at 9:30 am.

The Walk will begin
at 10:30 am.

In case of inclement
weather, the Walk
will be held in the
Munster Fieldhouse.

Register for the
Walk online at
[www.bestbuddiesin
diana.org/lakecowal](http://www.bestbuddiesindiana.org/lakecowalk)

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great event and
help us raise
money for Best
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MUNSTER HIGH SCHOOL

SUMMER SCHOOL 2015

GENERAL INFORMATION

❖ DATES

All Classes will be held Monday-Thursday. NO FRIDAY CLASSES

- *Condensed classes* begin Monday, June 8, 2015, and end Thursday, July 2, 2015.
- *Regular classes* begin Monday, June 8, 2015, and end Friday, July 16, 2015.

❖ **TIMES: Please note the start time and end time for 2015**

- Condensed – 7:15 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.
- Regular – Session #1 7:15 a.m. - 10:20 a.m.
Session #2 10:50 a.m. – 1:55 p.m.

❖ **REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

Enrollment for Summer School classes will occur only at Munster High School from March 31 through April 20, 2015, in Student Services. Enter through door A; hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. In order to complete the enrollment process, you will need to pay in full.

If a student fails a second semester course, he or she will be allowed to register for make-up classes through June 2, 2015.

❖ **CURRENT COURSES**

Regular Class Offerings

Speech
Ancient World History
Modern World History
Physical Education (Semester 1)
Health Education (Grades 10-12)
Economics (Grade 12)
U.S. Government (Grade 12)
Personal Finance (Grade 10-12)

Make-up Classes for Failed Subjects

Biology	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
English 9	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
English 10	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
English 11	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
U.S. History	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
Algebra I	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
Algebra II	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
Geometry	Sem. 1	Sem. 2
U.S. Government		World Literature
Economics		Composition
Ancient World History		Modern World History

Condensed Summer School:

Speech Health Education (Grades10-12)

❖ **ATTENDANCE:** Absences and Tardies

CONDENSED CLASSES – To receive credit during summer school, a student may not have more than three **(3) attendance infractions**. An absence from class and/or a tardy to class is considered an infraction. Of these three infractions, **only one (1) can be an absence**. At the second absence, the student will be dropped from the class. If a student reaches **four (4) infractions**, he or she will also be dropped from the class. A student is absent if he/she misses more than thirty (30) minutes of the class; less than thirty minutes will be considered a tardy.

REGULAR CLASSES – To receive credit during summer school, a student may not have more than **four (4) attendance infractions**. An absence from class and/or a tardy to class is considered an infraction. Of these four infractions, **only two (2) can be absences**. At the third absence, the student will be dropped from the class. If a student reaches **five (5) infractions**, he or she will also be dropped from the class. A student is absent if he/she misses more than twenty (20) minutes of class; less than twenty minutes will be considered a tardy.

NOTE:

1. There is no need to call off your son/daughter when absent or tardy. There are no differences between unexcused, excused absence and/or tardies during summer school.
2. A student who is removed or withdraws from a summer school class will not receive credit for the course.

❖ **REPORT CARDS:**

Condensed Classes – Students will receive one report card, available for pick up in Student Services, starting July 13, 2015. If not picked up during this time, they will be available at the 2015-2016 registration. **REPORT CARDS WILL NOT BE MAILED.**

Regular Classes – Students will receive one report card, available for pick up in Student Services from July 20 – July 31, 2015. If not picked up during this time, they will be available at the 2015-2016 registration. **REPORT CARDS WILL NOT BE MAILED.**

- ❖ **REFUNDS:** Money for summer school courses is **NOT** refundable if a student drops a class or is removed from a class on or after June 8, 2015.

❖ **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

All rules and regulations for the regular school year are also in effect for summer school; however discipline for summer school will consist of warnings and/or removal from summer school. The following rules apply specifically to summer school:

SMOKING: Automatic drop from summer school

SHOES: Students are not to go without foot apparel in the building for obvious health and safety reasons. Those who persist in violating this rule will be warned and then dropped from the class.

DRESS: Students who are inappropriately dressed for school will be sent home to change clothes. **The time missed will count as an absence.**

BREAKS: During breaks and before classes begin, students may only be in the Food Court or Commons. **STUDENTS MAY NOT TAKE food or drinks into the classrooms or carpeted areas.**

PARKING: Students are not allowed to park in teacher parking lots.

INSUBORDINATION: Automatic drop from summer school