Mifflin County High School Monthly Newsletter





MCHS News

MCSD Home of the Huskies April 2024

MCHS News is a newsletter from the Principal's office at Mifflin County High School. It is designed to keep parents of high school students informed about events and activities coming up at the high school each month. Teachers submit information that they would like to highlight and make parents aware of and that information will then be included in this monthly publication. For further information, please make sure to visit our website at http://www.mcsdk12.org/mchs/ or contact the high school office at:

717-242-0240 = Main Office 717-447-2600 = Fax

2023-2024 Cafeteria Meal Prices at MCHS

High School Lunch	\$3.00
Reduced Price Lunch	\$0.40
Secondary Breakfast	\$1.40
Reduced Price Breakfast	\$0.30
Milk-Skim, 1%, Flavored	\$0.70

Upcoming Events:

• The full list of upcoming events has been moved to the last page of the newsletter.

A Message From Mr. Campagna

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

We are about to enter into a very busy time of the year. Not only are spring sports in full swing, but we are about to begin Keystone and Advanced Placement testing as well as end-of-the-year activities including prom, National Honor Society Induction, band and choral concerts, and, of course, graduation. In order to help you keep track of the end of the year activities, I am going to list a number of them below. Please also refer to the full list of Upcoming Events at the end of this newsletter.

Keystone Exam - Please review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and Electronic Device Letter for Keystone testing. These documents are attached. Below is the Keystone Exams testing window.

- May 13 Keystone Exam: Literature
- May 14 Keystone Exam: Literature
- May 15 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session
- May 16 Keystone Exam: Biology
- May 17 Keystone Exam: Biology
- May 20 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session

- May 21 Keystone Exam: Algebra
- May 22 Keystone Exam: Algebra
- May 23 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session
- May 24 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session

Upcoming events in April and May:

- April 10 = Report Cards Issued
- April 27 = Promenade / Prom
- May 5 = Choral Concert
- May 12 = Band Concert
- May 14 = Thespian Induction
- May 15 = NHS Induction
- May 24 = Laptop Collection Period 7
- May 30 = Awards Assembly

Here are the Dates for Graduation Events:

- May 31= Seniors' Last Day (caps and gowns distributed to seniors) Period 6
- June 3 = Indoor Graduation Practice (8:00 a.m. in the Main Gym)
- June 3 = Baccalaureate 7:00 p.m.
- June 4 = Outdoor Graduation Practice (9:00 a.m. at Mitchell Field)
- June 5 = Outdoor Graduation Practice (9:00 a.m. at Mitchell Field)
- June 5 = Graduation Ceremony (6:00 p.m. at Mitchell Field)
- June 5 = Last Day of School For Students
- June 6 = Graduation (rain date)

A few procedural items to keep in mind.

- 1. Attendance Students will either scan their ID cards or enter their ID number in the morning at one of the attendance stations at the front of the school.
- 2. Students must submit a note to the main office prior to leaving the building for all early dismissals. Notes may be submitted during their homeroom/first period class. Failure to provide a note prior to leaving the building for an early dismissal will result in disciplinary action from the office. Excuses must be written and signed by the pupil's parent, guardian or person in parental standing. Pupils (Regardless Of Age) may not write and sign their own excuses.
- 3. When writing excuses for absences, please make sure you put your child's full name and grade on the excuse. In addition, I want to remind you that you can email either assistant principal or me with your excuses. Our email addresses are as follows:
 - a. Mr. Campagna ktc17@mcsdk12.org
 - b. Mrs. Ruble jmg26@mcsdk12.org
 - c. Mr. Durn amd05@mcsdk12.org

Please don't hesitate to call (717-242-0240) or email (ktc17@mcsdk12.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

Kelly T. Campagna Principal

Athletic News

- Our Husky Club Awards Night will take place May 22nd at 6:00 pm in the MCHS Auditorium. All are welcome to attend.
- Get the most up-to-date athletic information on our athletic website and by following ArbiterLive!
- Check out our MC Athletics Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/MiffcoAthletics, and follow us on Twitter @MCHuskySports for the most up-to-date information regarding MC Athletics.
- Many sponsorship opportunities are available to support your MC Huskies! Please contact the athletic office for more information.
- Geisinger is the official sports medicine and orthopedics provider of the Mifflin County Huskies.
 Geisinger supports the big dreams of Mifflin County athletics, and whether your dreams include playing in the pros, hiking, or just getting back on your feet, our doctors and healthcare professionals are here for you every step of the way. Learn more at Geisinger.org/bigdreams.



MCHS 2024 Junior/Senior Prom

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW UNTIL APRIL 19TH: Tickets are \$30/person and can only be paid for with cash or check. Class dues MUST be paid in order to purchase tickets. Tickets will be sold in the mornings before 8 a.m. and during all lunches at the high school. Please see Mrs. Clancy-Burns in Room B214 with any questions!

<u>WIN FREE PROM TICKETS!</u>: Students can enter the PBIS raffle to win a pair of prom tickets. The raffle will be pulled for 3 winners on April 18th. If a student enters and wins the raffle but had already paid for prom tickets, he or she will receive a full refund.

<u>IMPORTANT INFO</u>: Guests: Students bringing a guest from outside Mifflin County High School MUST fill out a guest form for their guest. The guest form needs to include a copy of a photo ID for the guest. Guest forms are due back by April 19th.

VEHICLE PROMENADE: The promenade will be from 5-6 p.m. It will end PROMPTLY at 6 p.m. This event may be viewed by the public.

 Vehicles will enter the front of the high school from the Sentinel side and drive through to the Student Parking Lot. Vehicles will then park in the Student Parking Lot. Students will gather there and wait for the beginning of the Promenade.

PROMENADE: The promenade will be from 6-7 p.m. This event may be viewed by the public.

• Promenade will begin once the Vehicle Promenade has ended. Students will walk in front of the high school, starting from the Student Parking Lot and they will enter the school through the area next to the gym.

PROM: The prom will be from 7-11 p.m. This event is NOT open to the public.

 Prom begins at 7 p.m. There will be a photo booth, DJ, food trucks, coffee bar, desserts, dancing, yard games, raffles, formal portraits, and crowning of Senior King & Queen and Junior Prince & Princess!

AFTER-PROM PARTY AT YMCA: 10:30 p.m. - 5 a.m. This event is NOT open to the public.

• There is an After-Prom Party sponsored by multiple community groups. It will be held at the Juniata Valley YMCA in Burnham from 10:30 p.m. - 5:00 a.m. There will be swimming, rock climbing, bumperball, board games, food, volleyball, Twin Kiss milkshakes, and more. Permission slips to attend the After-Prom Party will be available during prom ticket sales and can be handed in to Mrs. Clancy-Burns. Any juniors or seniors that do not attend prom but would like to attend the After-Prom Party are more than welcome but will need a permission slip signed. Any non-MCHS guests that were brought to prom (and had approved guest forms) are also welcome to attend the After-Prom Party but will ALSO need their own permission slip signed.



English Classes Visit Washington, D.C.

On Friday, March 22, students from AP Literature, AP Language, Survival Stories, and War Lit visited Washington, D.C. The students had the morning to explore the Smithsonian museums, visit the national monuments, and enjoy the Cherry Blossom Festival. In the afternoon, AP students toured the African American History and Culture Museum to enrich their experience reading Lorraine Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun*. Survival Stories and War Lit visited the Holocaust Museum in connection to their coursework and reading of Elie Wiesel's *Night*. For some students, this was their second time participating in the spring excursion; for others, it was their first time in D.C. or even their first time in another state!

Yearbook Ordering Information

Order online at <u>balfour.com</u> or at school using the order form. Please make sure the order form you are using is valid - expiration date is printed in the bottom right hand corner of the form. **NOTE: Personalization and Senior Ads are no longer available.** A current form can be found on the school website or picked up in the main office, Alpha office, guidance office, or room A322.

Note: Students who have fundraiser credit should NOT order online, but rather through the school. See the school web page for a link to the order form. Email Mrs. Riden at sdc49@mcsdk12.org with questions. Pre-order deadline is May 3rd. We will order a limited quantity of extras, available on a first come first serve basis.

From the Guidance Office

Cap and Gown Orders: If you have a senior planning to participate in the commencement ceremony, he or she needs to order a cap and gown ASAP. Seniors who do not have a cap and gown will not be allowed to participate in commencement. You can order online at https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/2121457/Mifflin-County-High-School/ or by calling

Please contact your student's school counselor if you have questions:

- Miss Stefanie Gilbert: srg09@mcsdk12.org; last names A-G
- Mrs. Bridget Kennington: blk28@mcsdk12.org; last names H-P

717-249-8218. Please check with your child's school counselor if you have any questions.

Mrs. Elizabeth Girts: eme25@mcsdk12.org; last names Q-Z

Scholarship Information: The MCHS Local Scholarship Guide is now posted on the MCSD and MCHS websites. Local scholarship applications are available in the Guidance Office at this time. There are scholarships available for students going on to a 4 year college/university, a 2 year college, or a trade/technical program. The majority of our local scholarships are due in April. Please encourage your seniors to stop by the Guidance office to pick up those applications and check the MCHS Local Scholarship list at https://www.mcsdk12.org/mchs-guidance-scholarships/ for updated deadlines.

SAT: The SAT will be offered at Mifflin County High School May 4. If your student is registered to take the SAT on this date, he or she will need to arrive at MCHS on May 4 by 7:45 a.m. to make sure he or she gets into the right room to be ready to start the test. The exam is now digital, so they will need to make sure they bring their charged device to the testing site—the device should be the one they indicated they would use when they registered. Furthermore, they will need to make sure they have the Bluebook app downloaded on it. Please reach out to your child's school counselor with any questions.

From the Music Department

The following six students have qualified for All-State Choir which will be held April 17-20 at the Bayfront Convention Center in Erie, PA. Students will give a public concert on Saturday, April 20 at 4:00 p.m. at the Warner Theater with guest conductor, Chris Jackson.

<u>Alto II</u>	<u>Tenor II</u>	Bass I
Brenna Forshey Rachael Saldubere	Isaac Curry	Alexander Garner Giovanni Zannino
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In other news, Cantare will be singing at the Lewistown Presbyterian Church on Sunday, April 7, and for the Rotary Club on Tuesday, April 9. They will be traveling to Mansfield University on Wednesday, April 10. They will be singing for Dr. Peggy Dettwiler, Director of Choral Activities as well as Dr. Todd Ranney, Voice Professor and Director of Opera. Our students will be observing several choral rehearsals throughout the day as well as taking a tour of the campus.

The annual spring concert will be held on Sunday, May 5 at 3:00 p.m. in the MCHS Auditorium. Groups featured will include 8th Grade Choir, Concert Choir and Cantare. The concert is free and open to the public.

From the Nurse's Office

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As your student prepares for the final years of high school, please note the following PA Department of Health school health requirements:

11th Grade Physical Examination: The school nurse will accept a private physical examination completed during the student's sophomore year, a sports pre-participation physical, driver's license physical (DL-180 Form), or a private physical examination completed by the student's healthcare provider. Private Physician Physical forms can be picked up in the nurse's office or obtained on the MCSD website (Student/Parents > Nurses > Forms & Policies > Private Physician Physical Form). Submitted physicals should not be dated prior to September 1, 2022.

12th Grade Meningococcal Vaccination (MCV): Prior to the 2024-2025 school year, every student entering 12th grade must have one dose of the MCV (meningococcal vaccination) by the first day of 12th grade. This dose is in addition to the one required for 7th grade. If one dose was given after 16 years of age or older, that shall count as the 12th grade dose. If the student is not compliant with or appropriately exempted prior to AUGUST 29, 2024, the student will be excluded from school until either compliance is documented or an appropriate exemption is submitted.

Please submit physical exam forms and immunization documentation to the school nurse.

Thanks!

Brittney Grabill MSN RN

Certified School Nurse Mifflin County High School Phone: 717-242-0240 Ext. 8509 Email: brg27@mcsdk12.org

Student Assistance Program (SAP)

The MCHS Student Assistance Program (SAP) Team is a group of professionals dedicated to helping to identify and assist students who may be struggling with life issues that are interfering with school performance. The SAP team consists of teachers, administrators, school counselors, social workers, nurses, and representatives from community agencies who have been specially trained to work with students and make appropriate referrals. This help is provided in a completely non-disciplinary way.

Based on the diverse needs of our students, this process may include an interview with a member of the SAP team, a counseling group, or individual counseling with the school-based therapist or social worker. Services may include academic support; behavior management; drug and alcohol education, prevention, assessment and treatment through Clear Concepts; anger management; mental health assessment through the Youth Advocate Program; conflict resolution, or involvement in community agencies. All SAP-related services are free and confidential. A parent or guardian must sign a permission for SAP services. Any student, parent, or teacher may make a referral. If you have concerns for a MCSD student in grades K-12, please contact an administrator, school counselor, or school nurse.

Upcoming Dates 2023-24 School Year

- April 6 MCHS MiniTHON 12:00 p.m.
- April 13 ACT Exam 8:00 a.m.
- April 23 Primary Presidential Election Day No School for Students
- April 27 MCHS Promenade/Prom Promenade starts at 6:00 p.m.
- May 1 Interim Progress Reports Issued
- May 4 SAT Exam
- May 5 MCHS Choir Spring Concert 3:00 p.m.
- May 6 AP Exam: United States Government and Politics 8:00 a.m.
- May 6 AP Exam: Chemistry 12:00 p.m.
- May 7 AP Exam: Statistics 12:00 p.m.
- May 8 AP Exam: English Literature and Composition 8:00 a.m.
- May 8 AP Exam: Computer Science A 12:00 p.m.
- May 9 AP Exam: Psychology 12:00 p.m.
- May 10 AP Exam: United States History 8:00 a.m.
- May 10 AP Exam: Studio Art 8:00 p.m.
- May 10 MCSD Jazz Festival 7:00 p.m.
- May 12 MCHS Band Spring Concert 3:00 p.m.
- May 13 AP Exam: Calculus AB and Calculus BC 8:00 a.m.
- May 13 Keystone Exam: Literature
- May 14 Keystone Exam: Literature
- May 14 AP Exam: English Language and Composition 8:00 a.m.

- May 14 AP Exam: Physics C: Mechanics 12:00 p.m.
- May 14 Thespian Society Induction 6:00 p.m.
- May 15 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session
- May 15 AP Exam: Computer Science Principles 12:00 p.m.
- May 15 NHS Induction 7:00 p.m.
- May 16 Keystone Exam: Biology
- May 16 AP Exam: Biology 12:00 p.m.
- May 16 Art Show 6:00 p.m.
- May 17 Keystone Exam: Biology
- May 20 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session
- May 21 Keystone Exam: Algebra
- May 21 Academy Awards Night at MCHS 7:00 p.m.
- May 22 Keystone Exam: Algebra
- May 23 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session
- May 24 Keystone Exam: Makeup Session
- May 24 Laptop Collection in Homerooms 2:30 p.m. to 3:10 p.m.
- May 27 Memorial Day No School for Students
- May 30 MCHS Awards Assembly 8:00-11:00 a.m.
- May 31 Locker Cleanout in Morning Homerooms
- May 31 Seniors Last Day/Senior Class Meeting (caps and gowns distributed to seniors) 1:30 p.m.
- June 3 Indoor Graduation Practice (8:00 a.m. in the Main Gym)
- June 3 Baccalaureate 7:00 p.m.
- June 4 Outdoor Graduation Practice (9:00 a.m. at Mitchell Field)
- June 5 Outdoor Graduation Practice (9:00 a.m. at Mitchell Field)
- June 5 Last Day of School for Students Early Dismissal Grades K-7 Dismiss at 12:15 p.m. and Grades 8-12 Dismiss at 12:30 p.m.
- June 5 Graduation Ceremony (6:00 p.m. at Mitchell Field)
- June 5 Designated Make-Up Day #4
- June 6 Graduation Ceremony (rain date)













NEED EXTRA HELP WITH YOUR CLASS ASSIGNMENTS?

HUSKIES HELPING HUSKIES

This is a FREE after-school resource available to ALL students.

TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, & THURSDAYS
3:30PM - 4:30PM
LAB E IN THE LIBRARY

TEACHERS WILL BE THERE TO ASSIST YOU WITH YOUR WORK.





