



Principal's Pen

Dear Parents,
 What a pleasure it is to be the principal of Merrol Hyde Magnet. So many times, visitors in our school stop me to tell me that our students have been polite, helpful, insightful, or courteous. I had a retired teacher tell me recently that he had not seen one school he'd come out of retirement for until he came to MHMS. Thank you for supporting us when we ask your students to be good citizens, turn in their best work, be on time, and be respectful of others. We know that's what you've already taught them at home.

If you haven't gotten involved in the October 18th "Fall Fest", please consider helping in some way. There are lots of ways to volunteer without spending any money, and if your student is on a sports team, please contact his/her coach. They would love to hear from you before they have to "draft" helpers for their games and activities. Be sure to mark October 18 from 5 PM to 9 PM on your calendars!

Sincerely,
 Brad Schreiner

P.S. The 6th – 12th car rider line is going smoothly. Don't forget to turn on your indicator when your child is safely in your car and you're ready to merge to the center lane. Your turn signal will let me know you have your student.



Chik-Fil-a Spirit Night!

Tuesday night, October 23rd
 "Eat More Chicken" while a percentage of the proceeds go to MHMS!

If you have NOT had any contact from the new **School Messenger** system, please send a note in to your child's teacher with current phone numbers and email addresses. Please be patient as we work through the bugs that come with new technology!

MHMS Fall Festival!

(Formerly known as MHMS Country Fair & BBQ)

Thursday, October 18th
 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm



★Live and silent auction!
 Live auction begins at 7:00 pm

★Games for the kids!
 Kids Place, Crafts, Video Game Center,
 Pumpkin Painting Contest and more!

★Dinner served by ***Texas Roadhouse!***

Please check the web site for further details and updates on auction items. If you would be interested in helping or volunteering in the Fall Festival please contact Laurie Shannon, Parris Powers, or David LaPointe, contact information is on the MHMS web site.

Join Us October 18th for a great cause – our KIDS!!

HAWK CONSIGNMENT CLOTHING SALE

November 13-14

Tuesday, November 13 Clothing drop off- 7:00 am- 8:00 am
Wednesday, November 14 Consignment Sale – 7:00 am- 8:30 am



Where: MHMS Cafeteria

1. All clothing should be on hangers with the following information safety pinned to each item on a 3 x5 card:

- * Your name & phone # where you can be reached during the sale
- * Item
- * Size
- * Item sale price

2. All items must be MHMS Dress Code approved items (No shoes)
 Pants, tops, sweaters, jumpers, skorts, skirts & sport uniforms only)

3. All items not picked up by 9:00am on Thursday November 15 will be donated to charity.

4. Checks or exact change only

5. This is NOT a MHMS fundraiser! It is for you! The checks are processed through the PTO and will be delivered to your student to be brought home the day of the sale.

Contacts: Leslie Loven 812-1225, Jean Moore 824-4845, Rebecca Gailmard 210-5087, Leslie Heinrich 824-5438 & Cynthia Earls 264-2986

We welcome any other volunteers!

CONGRATULATIONS!

To the following students who were inducted into the National Honor Society on September 25th! Bianca Reid, Will Thompson, Sean Gilbert, Rachel Leonardi, Seth Foley, Megan Sanford, Edgar Sierra, Ian Turner, Sarah Thompson, Rachael Sarrett, Kate Claussen, Cole Welch, Crystal Diep, Katharine Kolp, Emily Korby, Clint Welch, Taylor Wohlfahrt, Josh Escue, Jan Claussen, Justin Ostrander, Jake Jones, Courtney Searcy, Maggi Hume, Kenneth Coca

FAMILY FITNESS FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 6th 7:30 to 9:00 am
Gallatin Civic Center

Come walk with Rylee Addison and Coach Curcio while supporting the Physical Education Department!!! Remember, \$6.00 gets you a t-shirt made by Mary Welch, a Victory Medal and a good time supporting our school competing against other elementary schools in our district.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

There will be a Veterans Day Concert Monday, November 12, beginning at 6:30 pm. The concert will feature the High School Symphonic Band and the MHMS String Ensemble, performing traditional patriotic music to salute those who have worn the uniforms of the armed services in order to protect the freedoms we hold so dear. A visual display of images will also accompany the music played in order to maximize the concert's theme. The public is invited to this free concert, and we especially want to invite veterans and current members of the armed forces to attend and be recognized as our honored guests.



LIBRARIES CAN USE YOUR UNWANTED BOOKS!

Here is an easy way to help our two libraries get more books into our collections! Gather up all those unneeded and unwanted books that are cluttering up your bookshelves and donate them to the libraries. Those items that cannot be added to our collection can be traded for credit at the new bookstore called McKay's Used Books located at the corner of White Bridge and Charlotte Avenues. The credit we receive can then be used to purchase critically needed titles for both libraries! This will cost us nothing and Mrs. Weedman will look for any reason to go to a bookstore to buy books!! She has already built up about \$930 worth of credit that will go a long, long way to buy wonderful books for our students. We DO NOT want textbooks, Reader's Digests, books in poor condition, or ex-library copies. We DO want both paperbacks and hardbacks and both children's and adult titles. Just box up the stuff you don't want anymore and bring it to the library and we'll take it from there! We appreciate your continuing support!

ADVANCED THEATRE PRESENTS



Flowers For Algernon
Friday, October 5th @ 7:00 pm

The play is about a mentally retarded man who gains genius intelligence through science, only to find challenges exist on both ends of the spectrum. Tickets will be \$5.00. This is a show you don't want to miss!

MOUSE-PADS

Our mouse pads in our computer labs are now five years old and most of them are looking tattered and worn. These mouse pads are the very thin type that come with new Dell computers. If any of you have mouse pads that you would like to donate, we would appreciate them greatly. Thank you, Karen MacKendree

CALLING ALL ATTORNEYS

The first ever Merrol Hyde Magnet School Mock Trial team will be competing this year. If you are an attorney and would like to help coach our team please contact Regan Cothron. She can be reached at cothronr1@k12tn.net.

PARENTS/FRIENDS OF 2007 GRADUATES

The following graduates have not picked up their 06-07 yearbooks: Collin Gundry, Brandon Ouellette & Zach Templeton. If you can pick up these completely paid for yearbooks and take them to these gentlemen, please call the office and let us know. I am sure they would appreciate having the annual from their senior year.

WANT A LITTLE EXTRA SPENDING MONEY?

There are two part time cafeteria positions available for 3 hours per day. For more information, contact Theresa Martin @ 264-6547.

Counselor's Corner

Oct. 2nd - 6:30 p.m. – PTO Meeting: counselors will talk about planning for college

Oct. 4th - 6 to 8 p.m. – College Night at Vol. State gym – 11th and 12th graders and parents

Oct. 11th -6:00p.m. – 11th and 12th grade parent meeting with Jason Seay from TSAC to discuss Hope Scholarship (lottery) and other important college financial aid information

Oct. Test Information: Oct. 17th PSAT for all 10th and 11th graders, cost \$13 send money or check to MHMS by Oct. 16

Oct. 23rd EXPLORE for all 8th graders – no cost

Oct 25th PLAN for all 10th graders – no cost

All tests will begin immediately after morning announcements. Please have your child here on time with pencils.

Watch for information about future Jr. Class College trips.

Thanks, Sue

DECA

If you are a current or past marketing student and you want to take marketing to the next level then come join DECA! DECA is a club that will help you further your studies in marketing. DECA is selling candy such as Snickers, Starburst, Reeses and Skittles for a \$1 a piece. If you're not able to join DECA, but still want to support it, then see a DECA member to purchase some candy. All monies raised will help pay for travel expenses and entry fees for competition. Competitions this year will be held in the following areas: Regionals- Murfreesboro, State-Franklin, Nationals- Atlanta, GA.

HS CHORAL NEWS

The High School Choral Department will present, BRIGADOON, a musical play by Lerner and Loewe on October 27th(a 3:00 matinee and a 7:00 evening performance). Tickets are \$5.00 and will go on sale October 19th. Come enjoy this classic tale of a mysterious village in the Highlands of Scotland.