

Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



Good Evening Mavericks! This is Lisa Justice, Assistant Principal of Marvin Ridge High School, with your weekly announcements.

Many kudos go out this week to our Athletic and Fine

Arts departments. Tuesday and Thursday night presented us with opportunities to host events in both areas, and all groups performed exceptionally. Thursday night was made even more special by Ms. Lutz and the Men's and Women's Ensembles, with their dedicated performance to former choral student and recent MRHS grad, Kayla Ploughman. Kayla has faced some tough challenges this year, and we continue to think of her family during her recovery. Congratulations to Coach Brook Hammers and our Lady Maverick Volleyball team, who made it to the 4th round of the state playoffs this weekend, after dismissing both North and West Iredell in home contests. The Lady Mavs played at Carson High School in Rowan County on Saturday in "the best volleyball match he has ever seen", says Coach Allran, but fell 3-2 in the final game. Great job Mavericks!

Parents and students, please read carefully through the revised student check-in and check-out procedures included in the attached Maverick Message newsletter. We will review this process at school this week as well. Also included in the newsletter is important information about PowerSchool's Parent Portal Login and an upcoming evening session for parents by UCPS Technology Services.

Coming up this week, there is a required Winter Sports Parent meeting on Monday night at 6:30 in the auditorium. We will continue course benchmarks Tuesday-Friday with the schedule outlined on our school calendar on the website. Remember the media center will have extended hours beginning this week, and College Café will begin on Tuesday. Mavs to Mavs tutoring has also started on Tuesday mornings and Thursday afternoons in the media center.

Fall athletics roll on this week, with soccer hosting a playoff match here at home on Wednesday, and Friday night will be Senior Night at the varsity home game against Anson. All seniors who wear their Class of 2014 t-shirts will get in free to the game and the first 100 will receive a free gift from the senior parent committee.

Information about Patriotism Bowl tickets is in the newsletter and on our website! Please get your tickets for the November 8 game against Weddington ASAP as no tickets will be on sale game day. Students, if you would like to order a "Black Out" Shirt for the game, please see Ms. Every, a senior class council member, or the link on the website and newsletter to get yours today! Support your Mavs and the Patriotism Bowl with your awesome Orange Crush Spirit!

Thank you for your continued support of Marvin Ridge High School, where we are One Team on One Mission. Have a great night!



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- Student tardies to first block decreased this week...thank you to parents and students for the extra effort! Remember, consequences can include after school detention and Saturday School. Please make the effort to arrive to school by 7:50.
- Afternoon pick-up is also in the front of the school only! Parents, you will be asked to move if you are parked in the back of the school.
- Please remember that no outside vendors may be brought in for student lunches.

Revised Student Check-In and Check-Out Procedures

In the interest of student safety, front office staff has collaborated with administration on the following process. Please read carefully and review with your student.

Check In/Check Outs:

1. There have been issues with students leaving based on notes and emails from parents that are not legitimate. To avoid this problem, we will call parents to confirm notes received after 8 am and any email must be confirmed with a phone call before the student can leave. Early dismissal notes should be brought to Ms. King-Pierce's office before 8 am.
2. We will continue having students check in with Ms. King-Pierce (or Mr. Honeycutt in her absence). However, students will check out in the Front Office only. This is to make sure there is a parent to pick the student up. Students who are driving themselves should have that indicated on the note they turn in before school, or we will follow up with a call.

Calling Parents for Permission to Leave Campus :

1. When students become ill at school, they must come to the nurse or front office with a note from a teacher to call a parent for permission to drive home.
2. THE FRONT OFFICE will then make the call on behalf of the student. If the parent wants to speak with the student, the student will call using the guest phone.
3. We must still request notes via email or fax from parents with permission for students to leave campus, in addition to the phone call for verification purposes.

We will review these procedures with students during school this week. Students who violate school policies will face disciplinary consequences. As always, student safety is our primary concern!

UCPS Tech Services Parent Night: Digital Citizenship

The first UCPS Tech Services Parent Night will be here at MRHS in the auditorium on Monday, November 4 at 6:30. The topic will be Digital Citizenship, to include: UCPS responsibilities, Student Responsibility, and Parental/Guardian Responsibility. An administrative team member will also be present to discuss new Cyberbullying Policy and Legislation. **Parent Portal information/handouts will be available and reviewed briefly.** This is a team effort and open to both middle and high school parents. We ask that you RSVP using the following link for planning purposes:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1mvnzQtQTCDN6Pds8958GN0_aFE-REbjLEyDwDLJvkZU/viewform

PowerSchool Parent Portal Information

Letters with logins for each high school student may be picked up in the main office from 3-5 Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays through Nov 1. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, we will be open until 7. Please adhere to pick-up times posted as office will not be able to accommodate special requests. If you need an alternate time, please contact your student's grade level administrator. Parents must present a photo ID to receive the letter. If you have students in younger grades, those logins must be picked up at their respective schools.

Maverick Athletics...from Athletic Director Kevin

Last Week's Results:

Volleyball defeated North Iredell and West Iredell 3-0 and lost to Carson High School 3-2, Soccer defeated Sun Valley 8-0 and Weddington 4-0. Cross Country women finished first in the Regionals at McAlpine Park and the Men finished 3rd. Varsity Football lost to Piedmont. Tennis loses to Hickory HS 6-3.

Coming up this week:

Monday, October 28

Required Winter Sports Parent Meeting @ 6:30

Tuesday, October 29

No events

Wednesday, October 30

Soccer Playoffs @ Home vs. TBD

Winter Sports Tryouts for Wrestling and Basketball

Thursday, October 31

JV Football @ Anson—6:30

Friday, November 1

Football vs. Anson @ Home 7:30—Senior Night

Saturday, November 2

Cross Country States

Maverick Classic Cheer Competition
Soccer Playoffs TBD

Reminder of the MANDATORY Winter Sports Parent Night on Monday Night @ 6:30 in the MRHS Auditorium

If you have bought your tickets online for the Patriotism Bowl you can pick them up Friday night at the game at the Pass Gate or at the Booster Club Meeting on November 6th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm



Carly Landgraf and Shannon Farley with Coach Julie van Olden—represented Marvin Ridge at the DIVISION 3A State Tournament this weekend in doubles..

**GO
Mavericks!!**



PATRIOTISM BOWL TICKETS—\$8
Marvin Ridge vs. Weddington
November 8, 2013, 7:30 PM
Gates open and events begin at 5:30



DEADLINE EXTENDED!! PATRIOTISM BOWL TICKET INFORMATION - Tickets will be \$8.00 and will be available online until October 29. STUDENT TICKETS ON SALE FOR THE LAST TIME ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1 DURING LUNCH.

There will be no tickets available on game day!

Please use the following link to purchase your tickets today.

[On Line School Payment: Click here](#)

****Black Out/Patriotism Bowl Shirts for Students Available for Pre-order through the link below or using order forms from Ms. Every. Buy now/pay later! Monday, :**

<http://goo.gl/eJZ4cs>

Guidance and School Counseling Updates

****Informational Wednesday—Last Wednesday of Each Month****

Need to talk to your counselor for any reason? Counselors will have lunch in the cafeteria Wednesday, October 30 if you have questions or need information!!

Scholarship of the Week: Emory Scholars Program & Goizueta Scholars Program (Emory University): To be considered for the Emory University Scholars Program (including the Woodruff, Oxford, and Goizueta Scholarships), students must select one of Emory's three admission decision plans (Early Decision I, Early Decision II, or Regular Decision). Students must submit all required application materials, including the additional Scholars Essay, by the November 15 Emory University Scholars Program deadline—if your selected admission plan is ED II or RD. Students applying ED I may apply for the Scholars program, but need to meet the November 1 deadline for all materials. Full instructions can be found via the "Questions" section of the Emory University supplemental "My College" page on the Common Application. Please note for the 2013-2014 application cycle, applicants no longer need to be nominated by a high school guidance / college counselor to be considered for the Emory University Scholars Program, and no additional nomination forms are required. Students can nominate themselves via their Common Application, and the only additional requirement is answering one of two Scholar essays as part of the Common Application Writing Supplement on the Emory "My College" page.

College Visits: The following colleges are coming to visit in October and November! Please check in guidance to sign up to attend a short information session during the school day: Elon (10/28), Clemson (10/29), UNC-Charlotte (10/30), Virginia Tech (11/4), NC State College of Education (11/5, in café), UNC-Pembroke (11/6), Campbell (11/7, info & onsite admissions), UNC-Asheville (11/8), Pfeiffer University (11/12), SPCC (11/14, Career & College Promise), Naval Academy (11/26).

Career & College Promise: Career and College Promise is a new initiative recently authorized by the State of North Carolina. It provides seamless dual enrollment opportunities for eligible North Carolina high school students. Career and College Promise provides the following options for students while they are still in high

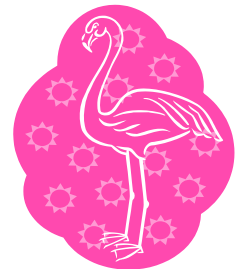
Class of
2014!
ZingerBug.com

The football game Friday, November 1st will be a "Senior" night. All seniors who wear their Senior T-shirt will get in for FREE. Please be sure to check in at the table that will be set up for Seniors and the first 100 Seniors will also receive a gift.

The Flamingos Are Coming Back!

Are you ready to get flocked?

Are you looking for a fun and creative way to celebrate a holiday, birthday, anniversary, birth, graduation, first tooth, first date, first car, first home, etc? The Marvin Ridge High School Women's Ensemble will flock your celebrant's yard with 2 dozen pink flamingos for a \$30 donation to the MRHS Choral Guild. The lovely birds visit your celebrant's yard for 24 hours and are delivered under a cloak of darkness. Please call the lovely and talented Kathryn Lavallo: 704-288-7470, Jamie Fleischman: 704-787-4826, Ariana Martinez: 586-623-7649, or Deborah Lutz, 704-290-1520 to schedule a flocking.



Let the flockings begin!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Congratulations to...

Ms. Lindsey Arant, MRHS Teacher of the Year 2013-2014



In her own words: This is my 9th year of teaching. I've been an English teacher and the Freshmen Class Advisor at MRHS since it opened 7 years ago. Before that I was at Parkwood High School. I am a graduate of Monroe High School. I am a NC Teaching Fellow and graduated with collegiate and departmental honors from UNCW where I defended an undergraduate thesis on using graphic novels and comic books in the classroom. I'm a NBCT and the 1:1 Model Teacher. I'm IB trained. I'm the founder and organizer of the MRHS Community Read program. I collaborated with the county curriculum coordinator and other English teachers from the county to create county-wide benchmarks, pilot the Common Core Curriculum, and create resources for all teachers. I created and maintain a professional Google Site and collaborated with another teacher to create the county Google Site for English teachers.

I love teaching and learning and always wanted to be a teacher. I enjoy working with other stakeholders to help students be best prepared for whatever they face and accomplish in life. Working at MRHS has been a blessing because it has allowed me to work with freshmen to help them make the important transition to high school and junior and senior IB students as they transition to college. Our students, parents, and staff value education and support teachers.

I live with my husband David and my four year old daughter Abby in Fort Mill, SC. I have to thank my husband, David Arant, who does more than his share at home so that I can put my energy into helping as many students as I can.

Yearbook Information

****SENIORS!** Lifetouch has corrected a GLITCH, so students and parents should be able to choose from more than two proofs now! The deadline to choose the portraits for the yearbook is November 8, 2013.

****Yearbooks** can be purchased online at jostensyearbook.com. The cost of the book with personalization is \$75.00 if purchased before February 1, 2014. The cost will rise and extra books sell out quickly! Order yours today to guarantee your copy!!



International Club Canned Food Drive Continues —

Help replenish the food at the Second Harvest Food Bank of Charlotte. They are low this time of year! Bins are located near the front office and in front of the lower E F and G Halls. The drive runs from Oct 15-30. Thank you to everyone who has given so far...we would love to see overflow in every bin!! See Ms. Eisner with any questions.

Chorus dedicates show to special friend

On Thursday evening October 24 the MRHS auditorium was alive with song. Parkwood, Weddington, and MRHS presented the first collaborative choral concert in Union County - Tri High Concert. There were four choirs with each choir presenting 4 songs. Students enjoyed having the opportunity to hear other area choirs.

The MRHS Men's Ensemble looked great in their new blue shirts and ties and their singing was exciting. Jason Phillips and D'Mitiri Emmanuel did a great job as soloists and the men had fun singing about Jonah, touched out hearts in their lovely rendering of "Tell My Father" and wowed the girls with "My Girl."

The Women's Ensemble shimmered in their outfits and sang wonderfully Korean and Scottish folksongs plus a fun medley from the 50's and 60's. Both ensembles performed "We Go Together" from Grease and rocked the house.

The MRHS singers dedicated their portion of the program to former choral student and recent graduate, Kayla Ploughman. She attended the performance and received get-well wishes and flowers from her friends. Earlier this school year, Kayla's family learned of her serious illness and began rigorous treatment. We continue to keep Kayla and her family in our thoughts and thank choral students for thoughtfulness and dedication to Kayla.



**Don't Forget....Daylight Savings Time
ENDS on Sunday, November 3 @ 2:00 AM!
Please set your clocks back one hour!!**

ITS celebrates Trunk or Treat

