

Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



Men's Soccer prepares for their second round playoff match against North Forsyth. The Mavericks defeated the Vikings in a 7-0 shutout Saturday night at home. Their next match will also be at home, Wednesday night at 6pm against East Henderson.

Photo by Schelly Conneely

Good Evening, Mavericks! This is Jim Zorn, Assistant Principal at Marvin Ridge High School with your weekly announcements.

This was a busy weekend for many of our students beginning with football on Friday night. Those that braved the weather got to see the team beat Anson 15-7 to pick up their first win in the conference. Saturday our Cross Country teams were in action at the state competition where the girls finished 2nd and the boys finished 7th. The men's soccer team beat West Forsyth 7-0 to win the second round of the state playoffs and will host the third round of playoffs early this week. The band took 6th overall at Band Beat in Rock Hill while also bringing home a 1st place award in music and marching and 2nd place awards in overall effect and class. The cheerleading team also performed well at a competition held Saturday morning at MRHS. Congratulations to everyone who competed hard this weekend, you make us all proud to be Mavericks.

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 District, Parent, and Student Responsibilities. 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. The session is open to both middle and high school parents. Please pre-register using the link in the newsletter or on our website.

Progress Reports will be sent home on Wednesday, which means we are half way through the first semester. Please communicate with your child's teacher about their progress.

On Friday, the Walk 4 Water club will be hosting a Krispy Kreme donut sale in front of the school at 7:30 am. \$6.00 will get you a dozen hot fresh donuts, or you can buy just one for \$1.00 All proceeds will go towards building a well for a school in Uganda. Please have your cash ready.

Finally, Patriotism Bowl tickets will be on sale for one more day on Monday. Please get your tickets for the biggest football event of the season and don't miss your opportunity to see the Mavericks upset Weddington in their final game of the regular season. You won't want to miss it.

Please read the Maverick Message newsletter for other important information. Have a great evening, and Go Mavericks!



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- **Morning routine:** The first bell rings at 7:50; students are cleared from the cafeteria as well as the student and bus lots at this time. Students are not allowed to linger in these areas in the interest of their safety. The tardy bell rings at 8:00.
- **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 continue to review these procedures with students during school this week. Students who violate school policies will face disciplinary consequences. As always, student safety is our

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. You may have to copy and paste it in your browser.

<http://goo.gl/TV0N>

PowerSchool Parent Portal Information

Letters with logins for each high school student may be picked up in the main office now during regular office hours. However, please be patient if staff members are involved with assigned duties. Logins will be available for a final evening time on Monday, November 4 at the Parent Information Session above.

Maverick Athletics...*from Athletic Director Kevin*

Last Week's Results:

Soccer over Kings Mountain and North Iredell 9-0 and 7-0. JV football over Anson 28-8. Varsity Football over Anson 15-7.

Congratulations to our Men's and Women's Cross Country Team. Men finished 7th and Women finished 4th. Lexi King finished 4th in the State!

Coming up this week:

Monday, November 4
No events

Tuesday, November 5
No events

Wednesday, November 6
Soccer Playoffs @ Home v. East Henderson 6:00

Thursday, November 7
JV Football @ Weddington—6:30

Friday, November 8
Patriotism Bowl—@ Home vs. Weddington

Saturday, November 9
Soccer Playoffs TBD

Reminder, going into our rivalry game this week...

As always we want to project a POSITIVE image of Marvin Ridge and poor fan behavior is not a core value that the coaches and or administration support.

Always represent Marvin Ridge High School in a POSITIVE light!

Never call out another player's name or number and be critical of his/her play.

Never call out an opposing teams name or number in a critical manner.

We are all role models and people are watching. Make sure that we are role models for everyone including other team's fans.

GO
Mavericks!!

Thank you for supporting your Mavericks—athletes, coaches, parents, and fans—One Team on One Mission!



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



PATRIOTISM BOWL TICKET INFORMATION:
Tickets ordered online may be picked up at the MRMABC meeting Wednesday night, Nov 6 at 6:30

STUDENT TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AT LUNCH ON NOVEMBER 4—FINAL DAY!!

There will be no tickets available on game day!

SPECIAL DELIVERY OF THE GAME BALL PLANNED... YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!!

Help us to honor our military and service personnel. The game will benefit the Carolinas Freedom Foundation, Purple Heart Homes, and Operation Homefront.

Guidance and School Counseling Updates

Scholarship of the Week: Boston University Trustee Scholarship: For over three decades, the Boston University Trustee Scholars Program has attracted students with outstanding academic ability and the potential to inspire fellow students to excel. Trustee Scholars are selected by a faculty committee from a pool of applicants who have been nominated by principals and headmasters of high schools around the world. Each Scholar receives a renewable scholarship covering full undergraduate tuition plus orientation and undergraduate student fees for four years. Trustee Scholars are typically in the top ten percent of their class and are also very active leaders in their schools and communities. **Nominations, essays, and applications must be submitted by December 1st, 2013.** All applications and nomination materials are available online at <http://www.bu.edu/admissions/apply/costs-aid-scholarships/scholarships/trustee/>

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

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Campbell University will be offering on-site admissions during their visit on November 7th. When each student comes to meet with the representative, they can ask any questions, review their information then and there and hopefully be provided with an acceptance decision on the spot. Students can fill out the online application through Campbell's website or see Ms. Kanna for a paper application. Both are free.

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 school: Core 44 College Transfer Pathways leading to a minimum of 30 hours of college credit OR Career Technical Education Pathways (CTE) leading to certificates, diplomas or degrees. Sign up in guidance to speak to a SPCC representative on November 14th about the opportunity to earn college credit now!

Planning ahead...Preliminary First Semester Exam Schedule

(A more detailed schedule with times and review sessions will be published and available on our website in the coming weeks).

Monday, January 13—First Block Exam
Tuesday, January 14—Second Block Exam
Wednesday, January 15—Third Block Exam
Thursday, January 16—Fourth Block Exam
Friday, January 17—Make-up Exams

**Exams include all EOC, IMS, NC Common, and Teacher-Made tests. Per new NCDPI regulations, all exams must be taken by Friday, January 17 and no exams can be given early.

**Please be aware of the UCPS calendar for the week after exams. We have a holiday on Monday, January 20, and two teacher workdays on Tuesday, January 21 and Wednesday, January 22. Second semester will begin for students on Thursday, January 23.

**Schedule change forms for second semester courses will be available in the guidance office beginning Monday, January 13, 2014. No schedule changes will be considered or before that time. Approved reasons for schedule changes will be published on our website and in a future newsletter.

Risky Teen Behaviors...E-Cigarettes

****We are happy to continue this service series, sponsored and written by our school nurse, Ms. Lucinda Ourant**

A growing trend among teens is the use of electronic cigarettes and hookahs. An electronic cigarette (or e-cigarette) is an electronic inhaler meant to simulate and substitute for tobacco smoking. Other names associated with this concept include electronic vaping device, personal vaporizer (PV), and electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS). These devices generally use a heating element that vaporizes a liquid solution. Some release nicotine, while some merely release flavored vapor. They are often designed to mimic traditional smoking implements, such as cigarettes or cigars, in their use and/or appearance.

The e-cigarette is a Chinese invention. The first ones came from the Ruyan company in 2004. According to media reports, Ruyan says it sold 300,000 e-cigarettes in 2008, and it's far from the only company making the devices. Some estimate millions are using these devices worldwide.

The e-cigarette comes in many shapes and sizes. Many look more or less like long cigarettes; others look like cigars or pipes. They all work the same basic way:

- The user inhales through a mouthpiece.
 - Air flow triggers a sensor that switches on a small, battery-powered heater.
 - The heater vaporizes liquid nicotine in a small cartridge (it also activates a light at the "lit" end of the e-cigarette). Users can opt for a cartridge without nicotine.
 - The heater also vaporizes propylene glycol (PEG) in the cartridge. PEG is the chemical of which theatrical smoke is made.
 - The user gets a puff of hot gas that feels a lot like tobacco smoke.
 - When the user exhales, there's a cloud of PEG vapor that looks like smoke. The vapor quickly dissipates.
- E-cigarettes contain no tobacco products; even the nicotine is synthetic.

The devices retail for \$100 to \$200. Refill cartridge packs vary in price depending on nicotine content, and liquid for do-it-yourself refills are sold, too. Each cartridge is good for several uses. Unfortunately teens have access to purchase these devices.

Public health officials are concerned about the message behind the marketing of these devices. The long term effects of these vapor inhaling devices are not known, whether they contain nicotine or not. The messaging could falsely be reassuring our youth and encouraging them to get into the nicotine habit. FDA spokeswoman, Rita Chapelle, voiced an overall concern in her statement, "We are concerned about the potential for addiction and abuse of these products. We don't want the public to perceive them as a safer alternative to cigarettes."

Our students and parents need to understand that UCPS Board of Education Policy prohibits the possession and use of these devices on school property. Violation of this policy places the student at risk for disciplinary action as well as the health risks associated with these devices.

If you have further questions or would like additional information on this or other teen health issues, please contact Mrs. Ourant, MRHS School Nurse.

Additional Resources:

<http://www.theindychannel.com/lifestyle/health/doctors-caution-use-of-e-cigarettes-saying-vaping-is-worse-than-smoking-the-real-thing>

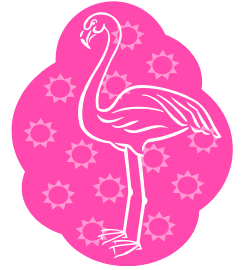
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The Flamingos Are Coming Back!

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!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Support MRHS DECA!!

Order your custom color Marvin Ridge Tom's and get walking in style.

Email Ms. JoEllen Plyler or Ms. Hillary Steere for more information or fill out the form found on the link below:

https://docs.google.com/a/ucps.k12.nc.us/forms/d/1Yb3FZYfWIDctO1-r0_VyvYrpQ6yWGV7IRnoX8JWTPUw/viewform

The Catalyst Conference at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

If you are a freshman, sophomore, or junior and a student leader interested in working at the forefront of social issues in North Carolina then this conference is something you should look into. Each year, Catalyst brings a select group of 100 high school students to campus to engage in 3-days of exploration of the social justice issues affecting North Carolina youth. Students will participate in workshops related to Gender, Racial, and Socioeconomic Equality; Educational Disparity; Immigration status; Sexual Orientation; and other issues. These workshops will focus on the way these issues affect students in both Urban and Rural North Carolina.

The 2014 conference will take place from Friday, February 21st to Sunday, February 23rd. To apply to the conference, students must email unccatalyst@gmail.com by Friday, November 15th, 2013 with an attached copy of their application. The applications are located in the guidance office. The registration fee for the 2014 conference is \$50 dollars, which will be required once you are accepted to the conference. If you have questions, please see your school counselor.



Spanish Classes Go Dancing, Celebrate Day of the Dead!

Dia de Los Muertos 2013

Mrs. Baumgarten's Art classes and the Spanish classes celebrated the Mexican holiday, the Day of the Dead. The holiday takes place on November 1 and 2. It is a day to remember and honor the souls of people who have passed away. The classes brought in pictures of family members and famous people and wrote descriptions of their lives. They also made Mexican style flowers, traditional bread of the dead, skulls and other decorations for an altar that was displayed in the hallway. We hope that their spirits are happy with us! Happy Day of the Dead!



Spanish and Latin Dance Show

Ms. Eisner's and Mrs. Shrader's IB and AP Spanish classes went on a field trip to CPCC campus, to see a dance troupe perform famous Latin and Spanish dances. The dancers dressed in traditional clothing, played instruments, explained the history behind these dances and represented numerous countries. The singing was great, the dresses were beautiful and some of us even danced on stage with the performers! It was a great show, very educational and it was a lovely day of culture and appreciation. We also enjoyed exploring the CPCC campus.

