## Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message





Good Evening, Mavericks. This is Mr. Zorn with your weekly message. Congratulations to HOSA and Red Cross for a successful Spring Blood Drive. 96 pints were collected, and 40 of those were from first time donors. Thank you to all staff, students, and community members who participated. Also, congratulations to junior Julian Gaines for being elected as **North Carolina DECA Dixie Pines Vice President** at the state convention in Greensboro and our Speech and Debate team for placing two finalists and two semi-finalists at their state tournament this past weekend in Pinecrest.

This week we will begin the new bell schedule, adding 11 minutes to our day to make-up time for school missed due to inclement weather. Please see the newsletter or the website for exact times, and be aware that our new dismissal time will be 3:06. Students with a Flex Schedule this semester need to be sure they have checked new class start and end times.

Final reminder that all juniors will take the ACT on Tuesday, March 4. Students need to bring a photo ID, pencils, and a calculator on test day. You may also bring a snack for break as the testing session will last more than four hours. Nice job to the 111 juniors who attended ACT Super Saturday to help you prepare for the test. Best of luck on Tuesday. (See pictures of above...Super Saturday Science Class and ACT Pre-Registration).

Tuesday night, Band Boosters will have a Spirit Night Fundraiser at Chic-Fil-A at Blakeney. Come out and support your Marching Mavericks and be sure to say that, "You are with Marvin Ridge" when you go.

The rest of the week is full of Spring Athletic Events so please check the calendar to support your Mavs in Action. The course registration process for the 2014-2015 school year will begin on Thursday, and Guidance will host a parent night for all rising 10th, 11th, and 12th graders on Monday, March 10 at 6:00 PM. We will observe Severe Weather Awareness week with the state-wide tornado drill on Wednesday morning. Finally, this is also National School Breakfast Week, and Ms. Thompson and the cafeteria staff will be celebrating each morning. All students who eat breakfast this week will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift card, and we will have breakfast for lunch on Thursday.

Thanks for your continued support of Marvin Ridge and our mission! Have a nice evening!

The mission of Marvin Ridge High School is to educate all students in a safe, inspiring, and globally aware environment that promotes respect for diversity, lifelong learning, challenging athletics, and extracurricular experiences that foster successful living.



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#### <u>Attention Parents</u> and Student Drivers:

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Morning tardies are increasing! Consequences can include afterschool detention and Saturday School. Please be sure that you allow enough travel time to school in your morning routine! We have no control over weather and traffic issues, and often these tardies are not excused for your student. Arrival time is 7:50 and the late bell is at 8:00. Please make the extra effort to arrive on time this week and in the future.

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## Special Announcement: New Bell Schedule

MRHS NEW BELL SCHEDULE				
1st PERIOD	8:00 - 9:35 am (95 Minutes of Instruction)			
2 <sup>nd</sup> PERIOD	9:40 - 11:15 am (95 Minutes of Instruction)			
3rd PERIOD	11:20 - 1:25 pm (95 Minutes of Instruction/Lunch)			
$1^{st}$ lunch – G Wing	11:15 - 11:45			
2 <sup>nd</sup> lunch – F Wing	11:50 - 12:15			
3 <sup>rd</sup> lunch – E Wing	12:25 - 12:50			
4 <sup>th</sup> lunch – A,B,C,D Wings	12:55 - 1:25			
4th PERIOD	1:30 - 3:06 pm/Senior Bell 3:01 (95 Minutes of Instruction)			

To make up missed days, the traditional calendar had three days still available. Each of the make up days previously identified in our calendar will be used. February 17th, March 7th, and April 21st are all now regular days of school.

In order to make up the missed instructional time on the remaining day(s), additional time will be added to the regular school day.

Beginning March 3rd, 11 minutes will be added to the school day. This will occur for 60 school days for schools on the traditional calendar schools. Because of the availability of a fourth make up day for schools on the Year Round Calendar and Early College, the day will be extended at those schools for 30 school days.

The last day with this extended time will be June 2, 2014 for schools on the Traditional Calendar. Individual schools will announce any resulting changes to their daily bell schedules within the school day. Buses will run their afternoon routes eleven minutes later than normal and dismissal will occur eleven minutes later than it has.

Superintendent Dr. Ellis said that this will allow students to receive the instructional time missed while preserving Saturdays and Spring Break for families.

~From UCPS Communications Director Rob Jackson

Based on feedback from our site-base team, MRHS decided to distribute the extra time as
evenly as possible to each class period. By combining the eleven minutes with other additional time in our school day, each class period will now have 95 minutes of instructional time.
Lunch times for first and fourth lunches were extended to accommodate for larger numbers of
students.

SENIORS WITH FLEX SCHEDULES THIS SEMESTER MUST KNOW AND ABIDE BY THE NEW BELL SCHEDULE.

## Maverick Athletics...from Athletic Director Kevin Allran

#### Last Week's Results:

Varsity Boys Basketball beat Crest in the 1<sup>st</sup> round of the playoffs then lost to Weddington by 2 points on Wednesday night. Soccer beat Cox Mill and Hickory Ridge this week. Baseball lost to South Meck and Softball beat Olympic. Women's Lacrosse beat Clover HS and Men's Lacrosse beat Laney.

### **Coming Up This Week:**

Monday, March 3
JV and Varsity Soccer vs CATA

#### Tuesday, March 4

JV Men's Lacrosse vs Ardrey Kell on practice field and Varsity Men's Lacrosse vs Sun Valley after Soccer

Wednesday, March 5 Softball vs Butler

**Thursday, March 6**JV and Varsity Baseball vs Ardrey
Kell

#### Friday, March 7

Varsity Men's Lacrosse vs Woodlands @ Duke University

#### Saturday, March 8

Varsity Men's Lacrosse vs Cape Henry Collegiate @ UNC-Chapel Hill JV and Varsity Baseball vs Lake Norman @ 1 and 4pm

Gooo Mavericks!!

## Band Boosters and your Marching Mavericks—

Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 8pm at the Blakeney Chick Fil A location: It's Marvin Ridge night!!

Chick Fil A night this coming Tuesday, March 4th at the Blakeney location. All you have to do is go there and *tell them you're with Marvin Ridge* and the band program will get 20% of the sales. Remember you MUST say you're with Marvin Ridge for the credit to be given. Just go between 5 pm and 8 pm and tell them you're with Marvin Ridge and we'll get 20% of the sale to support Marvin Ridge Bands!

Great News!! Marvin Ridge High School Winter Color-guard finished in 1ST place in the CWEA White Knoll Finals Scholastic "A" Class this weekend!



Our Third Annual Run for the Ridge will be held on Saturday, March 22, 2014 at 8am. The event will feature a certified 5K course and a 1-Mile Fun Run. We will have many vendors and prizes for runners. Even if you are not a runner, you will want to come out and be a part of the excitement. This is the only joint fundraising effort of all the schools in the Marvin Cluster. For more information or to volunteer, please visit the event website at

http://www.marvinrunfortheridge.com/

## **Guidance and School Counseling Updates**

#### **AP Testing Information**

- Students will receive a copy of AP Bulletin for Students and Parents for 2013-14 in school. Please read the entire booklet carefully as it contains important information regarding AP Exams. The bulletin is also available online at: http://professionals.collegeboard.com/profdownload/2013\_14\_ap\_bulletin.pdf
- Students enrolled in AP classes are expected to take the AP exam in order to receive full AP credit for the course, in accordance with Union County policy. Students in AP courses who opt not to take the exam will have their final grade reduced by one letter grade (e.g. a 96/A will be changed to 89/B).
- Marvin Ridge High School is providing online registration for exams! All AP students must register for their exams by using this online registration site at: <a href="www.TotalRegistration.net/">www.TotalRegistration.net/</a>
   AP/342528. Registration is now open and ends March 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:59PM. A late registration fee of \$10 per exam will be charged for any registration that takes place between March 21<sup>st</sup> and March 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:59PM.
- The AP exam fee is \$90. A one-time administrative fee of \$4 will be added to each registration.
- All payments must be made online through Total Registration you may pay with credit or debit card, or mail your check to Total Registration per the instructions you will receive with your registration confirmation.
- For students taking multiple exams, Union County will again provide supplemental funding. Students will be responsible for paying in full for one exam, and for one-half of a second exam. For students taking two or more exams, Union County will pay for one-half of the second exam, and the full cost of the third and fourth exam. The total fee for one exam will be \$94 (\$90 + \$4 admin fee), for two exams \$139 (\$90 + \$45 + \$4 admin fee).



## Scholarship Total:

The Class of 2014 has reported over \$ 4,073,704.00 in scholarship money so far! Continue to send in your scholarship offers to Ms. Kanna to be included in the graduation program and to be recognized at the Award Day Ceremony in May.



Other scholarships and opportunities are often listed by Ms. Kanna on the TV Scroll...be sure you follow the TV announcements!

**Attention all Senior Girls!** The Waxhaw Woman's Club will be offering a \$500 scholarship to a MRHS Senior Girl! Application deadline is March 20, 2014. Come to guidance or click <a href="here">here</a> to find an application on our school counseling web page.



All Juniors will take the ACT, free of charge, at Marvin Ridge High School on March 4, 2014. The ACT is accepted by a large majority of colleges for entrance and scholarship opportunities. Every fall, sophomores, take a practice ACT exam referred to as the PLAN. The ACT is a national college admissions exam that assesses student knowledge in English, Math, Reading, and Science. The four subject-specific tests take approximately 3 hours and 30 minutes. Students also take the additional Writing portion of the ACT, which last 30 minutes. STUDENTS MUST BRING TWO PENCILS, A CALCULATOR, AND A PHOTO ID ON THE DAY OF TESTING!

How can your student prepare for the all-important ACT exam? You and your student can visit <a href="http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/">http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/</a> to learn more about the test and explore sample questions for the ACT exam. Additionally, there are numerous resources available on our Media Center Webpage at <a href="http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/links/media.php">http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/links/media.php</a>

# Current Composite ACT Ranges for Some NC Universities...

Appalachian State	22-24	Queens University	19–25
Davidson College	29-32	UNC Asheville	24-28
Duke University	30-34	UNC Chapel Hill	26-29
East Carolina Univ.	20-24	UNC Charlotte	20-25
Elon University	25-29	UNC Greensboro	21-25
Gardner Webb Univ.	18-24	UNC Pembroke	17-20
NC A&T University	17-21	UNC Wilmington	22-27
NC Central Univ.	1 <i>7</i> –19	Western Carolina Univ.	19-24
NC State University	24-28	Wake Forest Univ.	29-32*
Pfeiffer University	20-24	Wingate University	19-24

These are middle 50% ranges based on the entering freshmen classes of 2012. These ranges change from year to year!

## Save the Dates:

## Course Registration for the 2014-2015 School Year—Timeline

- -March 6 and 7: Students will complete course survey through first period classes -March 7 through 14: Teachers will complete course recommendations
- -March 10: Students will receive materials in a special morning homeroom session -March 10: Parent Meeting for rising 10th, 11th, and 12th Graders
  - -March 17 through March 28: Students/Counselor Meetings
- -March 31-April 3: High School Counselors will visit 8th Grade classes at MRMS
  - -April 3: Parent Night for Rising 9th Graders at MRHS
    - -April 7-11: Rising 9th Grade Registration at MRMS

# COLLEGE 411

Attention 9-11 Grade Students and Parents: You are invited to College 411 Night on April 10, 2014 At Marvin Ridge High School—

One of the only special, personal college fair events in our area! 35 Colleges and Universities will be present—our largest ever! Sponsored by Academic Booster Club and MRHS Guidance

Program of Events:

6:00-6:20 Guidance Presentation 6:20-7:00 Q & A with College Admission Representatives 7:00-9:00 College Fair

The following will be represented:

Appalachian State Catawba College Central Piedmont Community College Clemson University Coastal Carolina College Foundation North Carolina College of Charleston Duke East Carolina University Elon University Gardner-Webb High Point University Johnson & Wales Lenoir-Rhyne

Naval Academy Newberry College North Carolina A & T State North Carolina State: University College of Natural Resources Sewanee: The University of the South Southern Piedmont Community College **UNC** Chapel Hill **UNC** Charlotte University of Notre Dame University of South Carolina

University of Alabama
University of Georgia
University of Tennessee
University of Virginia
Wake Forest University
West Virginia University
Western Carolina
University
Wingate
Winthrop

Make your plans now to attend!!

## Congratulations to...

• Junior Julian Gaines for being elected as North Carolina DECA Dixie Pines Vice President at the state convention in Greensboro this past weekend.

• **Speech and Debate Team Members** for their performances at TFL States this weekend at Pinecrest High School:

Kayla Thompson, 4th place-Original Oratory
Molly Mueller, 4th place-Novice Congress
Aathmika Krishna, Semi-Finalist--Humorous Interpretation
Annabel Linford, Semi-Finalist--Radio Announcing
Neil Palkar & Rahi Patel, Octa-Finalist--Novice Public Forum
Prakash Mishra & Leila Terzic, Octa-Finalist--Public Forum

Resolution Photo Contest Winners:

First Place went to Julia Morgan, current senior Third place went to Madison Davis, 2013 graduate Link to winner page <a href="http://www.resolutionstudio.org/winners/">http://www.resolutionstudio.org/winners/</a>

• **Notable Artist Designation** was awarded to Cara Edwards and Ugonna Nwauche both current seniors Link to Notable artist page <a href="http://www.resolutionstudio.org/notable-artists/">http://www.resolutionstudio.org/notable-artists/</a>

#### • Scholastic Arts and Writing Awards:

Silver award winner was earned by Meredith Emery, current Junior. Her work was on view at the Mint Museum.



Together, we can save a life

Congratulations to HOSA and Red Cross Clubs!

96 Pints Collected! 40 First Time Donors!



## MRHS Going Global...

#### Travel Opportunity:

Marvin Ridge High School will be hosting a group of students and two teachers from Krefeld, Germany from March 28th to April 13th. The students will be attending school and taking part in field trips during the day. They will shadow their host students for 2 days. Also, we will be taking a group of students to Germany in June for 2 1/2 weeks to stay with the students that we host and attend their school, culminating with a 2 day stay in Munich.

If you would like to be a part of this exciting opportunity, please contact Herr Braun at harry.braun@ucps.k12.nc.us

#### <u>International Bazaar:</u>

The World Language Department of MRHS will partner with our PTSO and our cluster schools for our 7th Annual International Bazaar on Monday, April 28 and International Week, April 28-May 1!

At this time, we are seeking heritage speakers for cultural booths. If you are interested in sharing your language and culture with the Marvin Ridge community, please contact Alice Shrader, World Language Department Chair, at alice.shrader@ucps.k12.nc.us

## **MAVERICK PRIDE**

Maverick Pride is awarded to a staff member whom you would like to recognize for their positive contributions to our school/staff. Each Maverick Pride awarded will be announced during a staff meeting, and their name will be place in a monthly drawing for a designated parking space. If you would like to recognize a colleague, teacher, or child's teacher for an exceptional contribution, please complete this form and return it to the office.



## I would like to recognize:

<b>Positive Contribution:</b>			
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