

# Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



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## Attention Parents and Student Drivers:

**Morning tardies are improving but consequences, such as afterschool detention and Saturday School are still in place. 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.**

Good evening Mavericks, this is Matt Lasher Assistant Principal with your weekly announcements.

Congratulations to our Science Olympiad team, who competed at UNCC this weekend. The JV team placed third overall and many varsity members placed in their individual events. Our Winterguard participated in regionals in Atlanta this weekend and made the finals in their category among 40 other schools. Way to go, Mavericks!

As announced by Rob Jackson on Friday, all Union County Public schools will return to normal bell schedules and dismissal times on Monday, March 10. Please see the Maverick Message newsletter or our website for the bell schedule we will use for the remainder of the school year.

Course registration for the 2014-2015 school year will begin in full swing this week. Students will report to homeroom on Monday morning to receive registration cards and information related to their specific grade level. Monday night at 6:00 PM, our Guidance Department will host an important meeting for all rising 10th, 11th, and 12th grade parents and students. Representatives from content area departments will be present to review course recommendations and pathways for students. Students will begin meeting with guidance counselors to register for next year on March 17.

Winston Sims and the MRHS Theatre Department invite you to their spring musical, *Barnum*, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings at 7:30 in the auditorium. Come see how they have transformed our stage into a real circus!

Spring sports will get back on track this week after many postponements last week due to weather. Please check the calendar and the Athletic Booster Club website for the most up to date schedules and times. A special thank you to our Athletic Booster Club for their support of the Kasza family and our Lady Maverick Softball team during a very difficult time.

As always, remember we are *One Team on One Mission to educate all students in a safe, inspiring, and globally aware environment that promotes respect for diversity, lifelong learning, challenging athletics, and extra-curricular experiences that foster successful living.* Good night Mavericks and have a great week.

## Special Announcement: Bell Schedule Revised

<b>MRHS BELL SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> PERIOD</b>	<b>8:00 - 9:35 am (90 Minutes of Instruction + 5 Minutes for Announcements)</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> PERIOD</b>	<b>9:40 - 11:10 am (90 Minutes of Instruction)</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> PERIOD</b>	<b>11:15 - 1:15 pm (90 Minutes of Instruction + Lunch/Transition)</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> lunch – G Wing</b>	<b>11:15 - 11:40</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> lunch – F Wing</b>	<b>11:45 - 12:10</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> lunch – E Wing</b>	<b>12:20 - 12:45</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> lunch – A,B,C,D Wings</b>	<b>12:50 - 1:15</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> PERIOD</b>	<b>1:20 - 2:55 pm/Senior Bell 2:50 (90 Minutes of Instruction + 5 Minutes for Announcements)</b>

On Thursday, the North Carolina State Board of Education suspended State Board Policy GCS-M-001 for the 2013-2014 School Year. The policy sets the seat hour requirements for courses taught on the semester block schedule. With the State Board decision to suspend this policy, our Superintendent Dr. Ellis has been granted the flexibility to waive the missed student days that required schools to add 11 extra minutes to their daily schedule.

Starting on Monday, March 10th, schools will re-adjust their dismissal and release times to their normal schedules.

Again, based on the action taken yesterday by the North Carolina State Board of Education, Dr. Ellis has waived the additional missed days and students will no longer have to attend school for an extra eleven minutes.

~From UCPS Communications Director Rob Jackson

- Based on feedback from our site-base team, MRHS decided to eliminate an extra five minutes that had previously been a part of first period. This will more evenly distribute instructional time for all class periods, especially those affected by the split class for lunch.
- SENIORS WITH FLEX SCHEDULES THIS SEMESTER MUST KNOW AND ABIDE BY THE NEW BELL SCHEDULE.

### Other UCPS News—Redistricting/Grandfathering FAQ:

An information page has been added to the district website to answer parent questions. Individual schools are not provided with more detail.

[http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/news/jump.php?news\\_id=377053](http://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/news/jump.php?news_id=377053)

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

### Last Week's Results:

Baseball loses to Ardrey Kell and Women's Lacrosse over Lake Norman Charter. Tennis defeats Catholic and Providence. Men's Lacrosse defeated Cape Henry Collegiate.

### Sports This Week:

#### **Monday, March 10**

Women's JV and Varsity Lacrosse vs Catholic @ 5:30 and 7pm

#### **Tuesday, March 11**

##### **Home Track Meet**

JV and Varsity Baseball @ Charlotte Country Day @ 4:30 and varsity to follow

#### **Wednesday, March 12**

Varsity Softball vs Hough @ 6pm

JV and Varsity Soccer vs Ashbrook @ 4:30 and 6pm

#### **Thursday, March 13**

JV Mens Lacrosse @ Charlotte Latin @ 4:30

**Varsity Softball vs Butler @ 5:30**

JV Baseball @ Parkwood @ 4:30

**Varsity Baseball vs Nation Ford @ 4:30**

JV and Varsity Lacrosse @ Fort Mill @ 5pm

JV and Varsity Women's Lacrosse vs Hopewell @ 4:30

#### **Friday, March 14th**

Soccer @ Fort Mill TBD

#### **Saturday March 15th**

##### **Track Invitational All Day**

Varsity Soccer @ Fort Mill TBD  
JV and Varsity Men's Lacrosse @ Lake Norman

We will be celebrating our athletes that are signing their Winter National Letter of Intent with their parents on Wednesday March 12th in the Media Center at 2:15pm

**Winter Sports Banquet on March 24th @ 6:30 pm in the auditorium.**



**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/>

### ***Did you remember to Spring Forward?***

Daylight Savings Time began at 2:00 AM on March 9



### **Congratulations to:**

Madison Rubottom, a Finalist in Photographer's Forum Best of College and High School Photography, 2014. Madison competed with over 16,600 entries, to earn a top spot in the competition. As an Art 1 student in Mr. Roncones class, Madison exemplified true Maverick Pride! View her entry at [www.serbin.com](http://www.serbin.com)

Some people paint. Others draw. If your artwork leaves people in awe, then donate a work of art, big or small! The Art for Good, charity art show, will be held on Saturday, March 22nd from 1-3pm. Come by the main office to pick up a form if you are interested in donating a piece!

# Guidance and School Counseling Updates

## AP Students and Parents—Please Read!! 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](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: [www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/342528](http://www.TotalRegistration.net/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).

Class of  
2014!

ZingerBug.com

### Scholarship Total:

The Class of 2014 has reported over **\$ 4,307,388.00** 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!

### State Employees' Credit Union People Helping People Scholarship

SECU Foundation and State Employees' Credit Union members are committed to the Credit Union philosophy of "people helping people." Originating in 2004, the *People Helping People* Scholarship Program has provided over \$20 million in educational funding. Each traditional public high school in North Carolina will receive one scholarship valued at \$10,000 (payable @ \$1,250 per semester) to attend one of the 16 constituent campuses of the UNC system. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who has demonstrated leadership, excellence, character, integrity, and community involvement. If you are interested in applying please come to the guidance office and pick an application. **Applications are due to Ms. Kanna by April 11th, 2014.**

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

- 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

### **Parents—What do you need to know and do?**

- Attend the Registration Meeting on March 10 at 6:00 PM.
- Read the course registration card and review the UCPS Program of Study available online.
- Discuss course selections and pathways with your student to make sure you create the greatest opportunity for success.
- Make sure your student registers for the courses he/she wants, 8 core classes and 3 alternates.
- Teacher recommendations for student placement are extremely important. Please be aware that if teacher recommendations are disregarded, a waiver with your signature is required.
- AP students must sign a commitment form, agreeing to the year-long course structure of most of our AP courses.
- Our master schedule is based on this registration process. The number of sections of a course is based on how many students sign-up and teacher

allotments. We cannot guarantee any student schedule until the first day of school in August.

### **Students—What do you need to know and do?**

- Read the information provided for you in homeroom.
- Sign up for the courses you really want/need and be prepared that you may end up with your alternates.
- Don't count on changing your schedule in August. We will have a new schedule change process in place and changing classes will be much more difficult if even possible.

### **Registration Information and Videos Available Online:**

<http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/links/CourseRegistrationInformation.php>



# 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	High Point University	UNC Wilmington
Auburn University	Johnson & Wales	University of Notre Dame
Catawba College	Lenoir-Rhyne	University of
Central Piedmont Com-	Naval Academy	South Carolina
munity College	Newberry College	University of Alabama
Clemson University	North Carolina	University of Georgia
Coastal Carolina	A & T State	University of Tennessee
College Foundation	NCSU College of Natural	University of Virginia
North Carolina	Resources	Wake Forest University
College of Charleston	Sewanee: The University	West Virginia Tech
Davidson College	of the South	Western Carolina
Duke	Southern Piedmont Com-	University
East Carolina University	munity College	Wingate
Elon University	UNC Asheville	Winthrop
Furman University	UNC Chapel Hill	
Gardner-Webb	UNC Charlotte	

*Make your plans  
 now to attend!!*

# 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 placed 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:**

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**Positive Contribution:**

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