

Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



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Policy Reminders:

- **Attendance is required at school every day through June 11, including review sessions.**
- **Students with early dismissal notes during exam dates MUST submit the note to the front office by 8 AM. No students will be dismissed via an email note.**
- **Wednesday, June 11 is make-up exam day! All other students will follow a normal schedule.**

Good Evening this is Mr. Conner with your final message for the 2013-2014 school year. Here are a few reminders for this coming week.

The final two exams are this Monday and Tuesday with Wednesday being a regular school day and make- up exam day.

Students will turn in Chromebooks on Tuesday, June 10 at the end of the 4th block testing period. Students need to have their Chromebooks and chargers with them on Tuesday. Replacement cost is \$350.14.

Student and parents are reminded that report cards will not be issued to anyone owing a fee or having a fine. Seniors must have fines paid and attend graduation practice if you plan to walk at graduation.

Graduation information is on the website. Please make sure you know the dress code and commencement guidelines. Seniors are reminded of rehearsal at school on Thursday at 12:30 pm and to be at the Winthrop University Coliseum by 8:45 am on Friday, June 13. Winthrop is a great host but runs a tight ship so remember to be respectful of all of the graduates. This is your last event at Marvin Ridge High School, let's make it your best.

I want to thank the seniors for their leadership making us one of the top academic schools in the state, leading us to 5 state championships, guiding us to our seventh straight Wells Fargo Cup, entertaining us with your art, music and drama performances, and connecting Marvin Ridge globally. Earning over 19 million in scholarships, the most ever in the history of the school, is incredible!

The parent volunteers, PTSO, Athletic Booster, Band Boosters and Academic Booster Clubs are simply the best and definitely are One Team on One Mission.

Dr. Ellis announced a number of administrative changes for next year, and I have been assigned to a Early College and will not be at Marvin Ridge next year. The students are terrific, and I am going to miss them, the community atmosphere and the staff. You have been blessed with a great staff take care of them; they are the key to success at Marvin Ridge.

The faculty, staff, and students wish to thank Mr. Conner for his service and Maverick Pride shown over the last two and half years. He is a man of character, integrity, and great strength. His laughter and spirit will be missed! Best of luck in your new role, Mr. Conner!

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 extra-curricular experiences that foster successful living.

Important Spring Final Exam Information from Marvin Ridge High School

Dates:

Tuesday, June 3—Junior IB Exams* During 3rd and 4th Blocks

Wednesday, June 4—Junior IB Exams* During 1st and 2nd Blocks

Thursday, June 5—First Block Exam/Second Block Review Session

Friday, June 6—Second Block Exam/Third Block Review Session

Monday, June 9—Third Block Exam/Fourth Block Review Session

Tuesday, June 10—Fourth Block Exam/Return to Fourth Block after lunch

Wednesday, June 11—Make-up Exams for Absent Students/Normal Schedule for all other students/Last Day of School for Students

Thursday, June 12 – Graduation Rehearsal for Seniors and Junior Marshals

Friday, June 13 – Graduation @ Winthrop Coliseum – 10:00 AM

Exam Day Schedule:

7:50 1st bell

8:00 Tardy bell

8:00 – 12:00 exam period

12:00 – 12:05 Students report to Review Period Classes or to lunch.

12:00 – 12:40 First Lunch for classes - TBA

12:50 – 1:30 Second Lunch for classes - TBA

2:50/2:55 Senior Bell/Student Dismissal

Type of Exams: We have four types – EOC, NC Common Exams, IMS, and Teacher-Made (including IB). Your student's teacher can address which type your student will take next month. [A list of EOC courses and NC Final Exams are listed below.](#) IMS tests are for all CTE courses. All other exams are teacher-made. *The full Junior IB Exam Schedule is on our website.

Attendance: Attendance during exam days is required for all students, for both exam sessions and review sessions. Our normal school hours apply, but the schedule and lunch times will be adjusted. June 11 is an important day for any students who have missed an exam earlier in the week due to illness. Please note: Family vacation plans are not excused absences, and students cannot take exams early. We apologize that any requests for exceptions cannot be honored.

Testing Window: Rules from NCDPI (North Carolina Department of Public Instruction) require that (state) testing is completed by June 11. Make-up sessions for EOC, NC Final, and IMS tests will be held on Wednesday, June 11. Make-up sessions for teacher-made exams will be handled on a case by case basis.

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Percentage: All high school exams count 25% of a student's grade for the semester. Please emphasize this point to students and help them to recognize the opportunity of a positive outcome and the consequence of a negative one.

Exam review: All teachers are expected to help students with review during class time and to distribute a review guide to students prior to testing. Study guides will also be available on teacher Moodle pages. Please look for these after Memorial Day, but it is never too early for your student to begin organizing and reviewing material.

Academic Integrity: Please remind students of our Academic Core Values as posted in previous editions of the Maverick Message and on our website. **The penalty for cheating of any kind is a "0" on a final exam.** Students will be required to turn in cell phones during testing sessions, and it is our strong recommendation that they are not brought to school on these days.

Your student's success is always our primary concern. Please contact the school (your child's teachers, grade level counselor, or grade level administrator) if you have any questions or concerns.

Final Exam Updates:

Based on a waiver applied for by UCPS and a district-wide teacher vote, the following is a summary of changes in final exams for the school year 2013-2014.

- EOC Course information has not changed. Students in Math I, Biology, and English II will take an (online) End of Course Exam that is passing is required for graduation. IMS Exams for CTE (Career and Technical Education) courses have also not changed. This includes courses in Business, Computers, Interior Design, Marketing, Biomedical, and Family Science.

These courses will **not** administer a NC Final Exam. Instead, a teacher-made exam would be administered.

- World History
- Civics and Economics
- US History/ American History 1 and II

- English 1
- English IV

These courses will administer a NC Final Exam at the end of the school year.

- Earth/Environmental Science
- Physical Science
- Chemistry
- Physics
- English III
- "Second Math" (Common Core Geometry, Math II, and Geometry aligned to 2003 Standard Course of Study)
- "Third Math" Teachers (Common Core Algebra II, Math III, Common Core Integrated Math III, and Algebra II aligned with 2003 Standard Course of Study).
- "Fourth Math" Teacher (Advanced Functions and Modeling, Discrete Mathematics, and Pre-Calculus)

If you have any questions about what type of final your student will take, please contact subject area teachers.

Seniors! It's time for Graduation!

Friday, June 13, 10:00 AM at Winthrop Coliseum

Graduation Date:

Friday, June 13, 2014 at 10:00 AM.

Graduation Ceremony will be held at Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC.

We suggest to all guests that they arrive prior to 9:00 AM to avoid traffic. Doors to the graduation will be closed by 10:00 AM, and guests will not be able to enter after that point.

There is seating for guests with special needs.

Graduation Tickets:

Graduation tickets will be available beginning June 9 in the front office. No tickets will be available at the ceremony.

Graduation Dress Code:

Ladies:

Dress should be solid white or pastel color
No collar because of the design of the graduation robe

White or light cream dress shoes or sandals with straps

Flats are recommended– no flip flop styles

Gentlemen:

Dark blue or black dress pants – fitting at the waist

White collared shirt

Dark tie and a belt

Dark dress shoes - no sneakers or flip-flops

Note:

You will need hair pins to keep your hat stable and in the correct position on your head.

No purses or bags are allowed backstage.

Senior Fees:

All fees for materials, media center, textbooks, Chromebooks, clubs, field trips, etc...MUST be

paid by June 12, 2014 or the senior will not be able to participate in the ceremony.

Graduation Rehearsal:

Mandatory Graduation practice is at MRHS on Thursday, June 12 at 12:30. All seniors are required to attend. Students will be served lunch first by the PTSO parents and practice will follow. It should be finished by 2:30. Students must follow school dress code and school rules. All seniors are required to stay for the entire practice. Parents and students should reserve this date as there are NO exceptions to attendance at Graduation Rehearsal.

Senior Banquet Video –

You can purchase a copy of the senior memories video from Ms. VanOlden in room E201 for only \$10! Copies will be ready for pickup on June 12, 2014 during Graduation practice.

This information and more is available on our website. A copy of the [Letter to Parents of the Class](#) and [Commencement Guidelines from Winthrop](#) are also available. See [Graduation Information](#).

Class of
2014!
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Scholarship Total:

BIG NEWS!! The Class of 2014 has reported over **\$19,816,671.00** in scholarship money! YOU HAVE PASSED THE CLASS OF 2013— WOOHOO!!

Remember, attendance at Graduation Practice on June 12 is required for you to participate in the Graduation Ceremony on June 13!

Chromebook Collection Dates: June 2 and June 10

Marvin Ridge High School Student Laptop Collection Verification Form	
Student Name: _____	
Grade: _____ Fixed Asset Number Returned: _____	
CONDITION OF RETURNED LAPTOP	
<input type="checkbox"/> Laptop was NOT returned	
<input type="checkbox"/> Laptop was returned with NO damage	
<input type="checkbox"/> Laptop was returned WITH damage	
(check all applicable areas)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cracked Screen (unit must be on to check)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Missing Keys	
<input type="checkbox"/> Damaged Case	
<input type="checkbox"/> Missing Battery	
<input type="checkbox"/> Damaged Hinge	
<input type="checkbox"/> Charger WAS returned (two pieces)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Charger was NOT returned	
<small>Students may be assessed fees for the repair of their laptop or for any missing parts. Parents will be notified of repair costs. Laptop chargers were scanned out to each student by serial number, if the serial number on the charger that was returned does not match, students will be charged for a replacement charger.</small>	
_____ Staff Signature	_____ Date
_____ Student Signature	_____ Date
<small>* Additional charges may be assessed after the unit is inspected by the Desktop Support Engineer.</small>	

Chromebook Collection Dates are Set! Attention Students: you will turn in your Chromebook and charger to your 4th block teacher on June 10 at the end of your exam period. Any fees for damages will be assessed on a duplicate form (see left). If you are an AP or IB student and do not need your Chromebook for testing, you will turn it into your 4th block teacher on Monday, June 2. Flex students need to turn in their Chromebooks directly to Mr. Alcantara beginning Monday, June 2. All Chromebooks **MUST** be returned by Wednesday, June 11 or the student will be charged the full replacement amount (\$350.14).

All students are required to pay the \$25 UCPS Technology Fee, assessed at the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year. Thank you to all parents who have submitted payment previously. These fees will stay with the student until graduation or full payment is received. **SENIORS MUST PAY THESE FEES PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES.** [Online payments](#) are still being accepted here or you may pay by check in the front office.

Planning Ahead...

MRHS Summer Office Hours:

We will operate on a 4-Day Work Week beginning Monday, June 16.

Monday and Tuesday 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Wednesday and Thursday 7:30 am - 11:30 am

One other week will be chosen for a Tues-Friday schedule...Monday, July 28 we are closed.

We will be closed on Thursday, July 3 for the July 4th Holiday.

First day of school for 2014-2015 School Year is Monday, August 25!

[Link to the UCPS 2014-2015 School Calendar](#)

Class Orientation Dates for the 2014-2015 School Year:

Seniors—Wednesday, August 13 (8-11 AM)

Juniors—Thursday, August 14 (8-11 AM)

Sophomores—Monday, August 18 (8-11 AM)

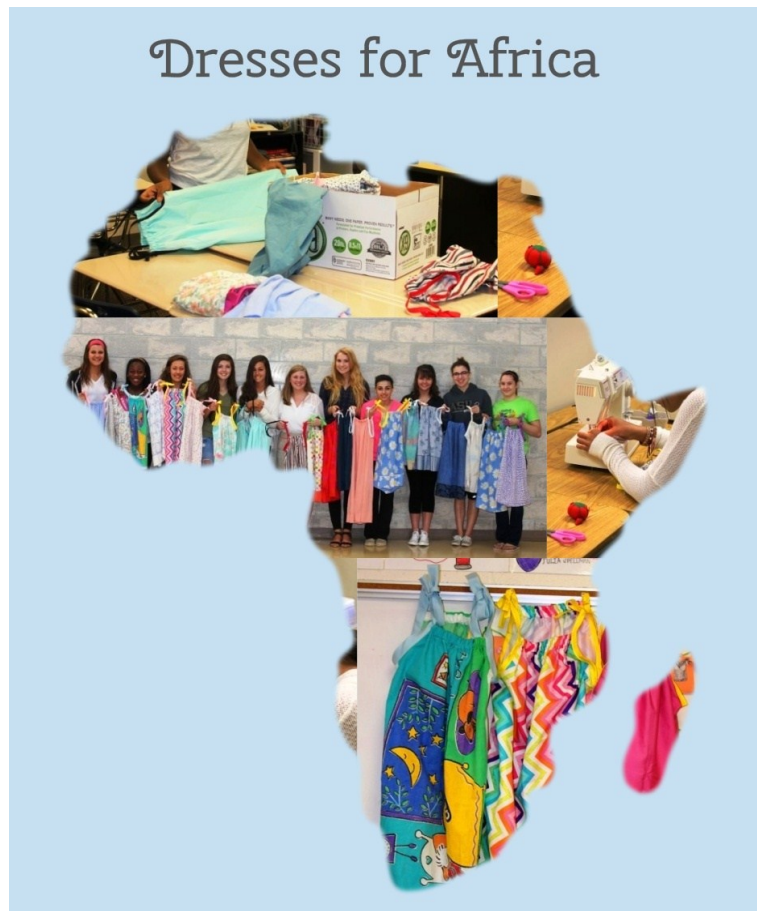
Freshman—Tuesday, August 19 (8-10 A/L or 10-12 M/Z)

Mrs. Megan Sellers' Apparel I Students at Marvin Ridge High School Have Sewn for a Cause!

The students decided to participate in an organization called Little Dresses for Africa. Little Dresses for Africa is a non-profit organization, founded by Rachel O'Neil in 2008, that collects dresses sewn from pillow cases. Little Dresses for Africa also accepts homemade britches for boys, allowing the boys to have newly made pants.

All CTE classes donated pillow cases to the Apparel class in order to contribute their own time and effort to the cause. The Apparel I curriculum includes basic sewing skills – hems, standard seams, and casings.

Students were able to practice a variety of skills while making these dresses. Each of the pillowcases were cut with precision and sewn with greatest of accuracy as each of the students tried their hardest in order to make the dresses special for the little girls.



"This project really excited the girls! Working on something for other little girls was really encouraging to the students," said Mrs. Sellers.

Sophomore Jasmine Kromah said, "I love being able to make dresses for little girls. It feels fantastic to submerge ourselves in helping the community because there are a lot of things we take for granted. These little girls and boys don't have much to wear and don't have the luxury of having what we have. It always feels good to give back and it never hurts to help."

Each of the students made three dresses for a total of 36 dresses over a few weeks' time. These dresses, along with dresses that are donated from all over the U.S, Australia, Canada, the UK, and Singapore will be donated and delivered to the little girls in Africa as well as other countries that are in need. The mission of The Little Dresses for Africa organization is to provide relief to the young children that have been affected by the AIDS pandemic who are left in the care of their older siblings as well as to help children from other oppressed countries.

As the organization states, "Together we can make a difference, We're not just sending dresses, we're sending HOPE," Marvin Ridge sends our dresses and ultimately our hope.

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:

Positive Contribution:

From : _____
(Optional)