Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



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

Our students represented themselves well this past week in several exciting events. A big thank you goes out

to the National Honor Society for a successful blood drive where sixty-one pints of blood was collected for the American Red Cross. Thirty-three pints came from first time donors. Great job, guys! Our Speech and Debate team competed in their first tournament of the year at North Mecklenburg High School where six of our students placed as finalists in their events. Student Council members attended their Fall Leadership Conference in Salisbury and the Marching Band traveled to Western Carolina and came home with a top 4 finish. Congratulations to all of our students for their hard work. Please read the Maverick Message newsletter for athletic results and other information.

As a reminder, Monday is a teacher workday. There is no school for students. Also, Patriotism Bowl tickets for the November 8 game against Weddington are on sale online or in the main office through Tuesday, October 15.

The PSAT will be given to all juniors and select sophomores and freshmen on Wednesday. Testing plans will be posted at school; students should check with their second period teachers for testing locations.

Report cards will be issued to students this week. Parent Portal Information for PowerSchool will be available at the school as well, beginning Wednesday, October 16. Letters with logins for each high school student may be picked up in the main office from 3-5 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays through Nov 1. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, we will be open until 7. 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. Information sessions for middle and high school parents are being planned by UCPS Technology Services.

Finally, this week is Homecoming Spirit Week! Beginning Tuesday, there is special dress during each day, and special events planned for each night, all leading up to Orange Crush Spirit and Homecoming Day on Friday. Please check the MRHS website and the newsletter and be sure to show your Maverick Spirit this week!

Have a great evening, and Go Mavericks!



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- Student tardies to first block increased this past week. 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

PowerSchool Parent Portal to be released

Updated information: This feature is <u>planned</u> to go live on October 16.

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Support your Mavericks!! Follow our Event on FB!

Homecoming Spirit Week 2013 October 15-18

Special Dress Each Day! Special Events Each Night!

- ◊ Trapper Tuesday—Be the hunter or the hunted! Wear Camo or Animal Print! Tuesday Night—Powder Puff 6:00—\$5
- Workday Wednesday—Dress for your future, current job, or wannabe career. Wednesday Night—Soccer vs. Piedmont—6:00—\$5
- Throwback Thursday— rock that 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s or Thrift Shop! Thursday Night— CHECK! Show—7:00—\$5

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♦ Orange Crush Friday!

♦ Friday Night—Homecoming Game 7:30—\$6

 Your 2013 Homecoming Court...Queen to be announced at half time: 9th grade- Danielle Maple, Ellie Kimbrough, Samia Usmani, Susannah Grover. 10th- Dara Bower, Miranda Wolno, Leah Kresser, Ursula Hatzinikitas, 11th- Alexa Brown, Vanessa Scobee, India Baldasso, Iman Usmani. 12th- Natalie Barbu, Morgan Vickers, Madeline White, Lindy Shoenborn.

Maverick Athletics...from Athletic Director Kevin

Last Week's Results:

Volleyball defeated Sun Valley and Weddington 3-0, Soccer defeated Weddington 2-0, Tennis defeated Sun Valley and lost to Weddington, Women's Golf won a conference match and defeated Butler. Football lost to Cuthbertson 20-12. No cross country results at time of print.

Coming up this week:

Monday, October 14

Soccer vs Cuthbertson @ 4:30 and 6:00

Tuesday, October 15

Golf at Eagle Chase for Conference Tournament 12:00 pm; Volleyball @ Weddington for Conference Tournament TBD; Tennis vs Crest High School (First Round of Dual Team State Tournament @ 4:000

Wednesday October 16

Soccer vs Piedmont @ 4:30 and 6:00 Volleyball Conference Tournament @ Weddington

Thursday, October 17 JV Football @ Sun Valley

Friday October 18

Individual State Tennis Tournament at Concord HS

Football vs Sun Valley @ 7:30

Saturday, October 19 Volleyball vs TBD @ Home for 1st round of state tournament at MRHS @ TBD





Conference Updates: Congratulations to Women's Golf and Volleyball for their regular season conference championship. Good Luck in the Conference Tournament! Women's Tennis finished 2nd and will go to Dual Team State. Soccer and Women's Cross Country are currently in 1st. Men's Cross Country in a VERY close 2nd in the conference currently.

Congratulations to members of the Women's Tennis Team who qualified for the Individual Regional Conference Tournament:

Singles: Rachel Zubrinsky and Meredith Embry Doubles: Carly Landgraf and Shannon Farley All-Conference players for 2013 (pictured right) Meredith Emery Carly Landgraf Rachel Zubrinsky





PATRIOTISM BOWL TICKETS—\$8 Marvin Ridge vs. Weddington November 8, 2013, 7:30



Tickets will be \$8.00 and will be available from <u>September 23rd through October 15th</u> at the school or online at <u>www.gomavericks.org</u>. Tickets not sold by October 15th will be returned to the Patriotism Bowl committee for distribution. There will be no tickets available on game day.

Please use the following link to purchase your tickets today. http://assn.la/UserForm.asp?RegID=108185&org=gomavericks.org

Guidance and School Counseling Updates

Informational Wednesday

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

Scholarship of the Week: Emory Scholarship Program and Goizueta Scholars Program (Emory) are now accepting nominations from high schools for their programs. Please let Ms. Kanna in guidance know if you are interested in being nominated for these scholarship no later than October 30th, 2013. Please visit the school counseling scholarship website for the latest scholarship newsletter or visit these colleges' websites for more information.



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. Brown University (10/18), King's College (10/25 in café), Johnson & Wales (10/25), Elon (10/28), UNC-Charlotte (10/30), Virginia Tech (11/4), UNC-Pembroke (11/6), UNC-Asheville (11/8), Naval Academy (11/26).

PSAT, October 16: A few spots have opened up for 9th and 10th graders to take the test on October 16th. Contact Ms. Kanna ASAP and turn in \$20 test fee to hold your spot. Spots are limited and are on a first come, first serve basis. All test takers (ALL 11th and registered 9th and 10th graders) must provide their own calculator. Please check with your classroom teachers to confirm your testing room.

STUDENTS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A CALCULATOR AND TWO PENCILS with you on OCTOBER 16!

Parent Conference Norms—how to make the most of your meeting:

- It is that time of year, with progress reports out and report cards not far away.
- Talking with your child's teacher is always the first and best avenue for concerns.
- Please utilize our One Team, One Mission process of recognizing norms at each meeting.
- Remember that everyone's time is valuable and all stakeholders have a voice.
- Norms: Be Productive, Be Positive, and Be Problem Solvers!

Governor's School Information

The Governor's School of North Carolina is the oldest statewide summer residential program for gifted and talented high school students in the nation. The program, which is open to rising seniors only, with exceptions made for rising juniors in selected performing/visual arts areas, is located on two campuses: Governor's School West at Salem College in Winston-Salem and Governor's School East at Meredith College in Raleigh.

The academic environment of the Governor's School thrives upon the intellectual curiosity of students and faculty alike. Students take no tests; teachers assign no grades. The campuses are alive with visiting speakers, performances, exhibitions, fieldtrips, demonstrations, optional seminars, and film series. Social and recreational events complement the academic focus.

The North Carolina Governor's School is partially funded by the North Carolina General Assembly. The General Assembly also requires a \$500 tuition per attending student. The Governor's School applications are located in the guidance office and are due to Ms. Lawson by Friday, October 25th.

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Invitation...

A representative from the North Carolina School of Science and Math will be at Marvin Ridge High School in the Auditorium at 6:00 p.m. on the evening of Tuesday, October 15. There will be a presentation and a question and answer period. If you are interested, please contact Ashley Lawson in Guidance.

Congratulations to...

Miss Cara Edwards

Cara was crowned Miss MRHS this week. She will go on to represent Marvin Ridge in the Carrousel Scholars Competition, Alex Kahle Memorial Scholarship and the Union County Christmas Parade Princess Competition. Good luck to Cara as she represents Marvin Ridge!



More Mavericks...

Student Council: Super Leaders, Everyday Heroes!

Student Council represented Marvin Ridge at the Fall Leadership Conference in Salisbury. Students attended workshop sessions on doing the right thing and how to step up and lead their peers. Great time and great information

for all!



- At the Western Carolina Invitational this weekend, your Marching Mavericks finished fourth among bands in their division. They will next compete at Band Beat in Rock Hill, SC on October 26.
- Speech and Debate competed in their first tournament this year at North Mecklenburg High School on Saturday, October 12. Six students finished in the finals of their events: Andrew Lam, Radio Announcing

Annabel Linford, Radio Announcing Molly Mueller, Novice Student Congress Kayla Thompson, Oral Interpretation Cary Hall Titus, Impromptu Speaking Jordan Yakowenko, Impromptu Speaking

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Community Read Day September 27, 2013

In her speech to the UN, Malala, a Pakistani girl who survived being shot in the head for attempting to get an education, stated, "One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world." If that's true, imagine what we can do with 1500+ students, 100+ staff, and 5 books. Friday, September 27, was the 6th annual Community Read Day in which we invite everyone in our school community to participate in activities that encourage critical thinking about important global issues.

Community Read is in no way a traditional summer reading program. It is and always has been an inclusive program so that all students and teachers can engage in meaningful discussion. This year, lessons were created for the each class period, including videos, interactive maps, and higher-level questions. Students maintained a journal throughout the day. When compiled together, we will use the journal responses (anonymously) to keep the conversation alive throughout the school year. Artistic displays, literary connections, and technology venues are all planned as outlets, and there will be other opportunities throughout the year to continue this socially relevant conversation.

Below are some examples of student responses and to the side are pictures of German, Health, and English classes participating in lessons.



"I learned a lot about the customs in the Middle East...what stuck out to me the most was how many misconceptions I had and how wrong I was." -9^{th} grade student

"I do think it is important to know what is happening in the world because it could affect the US...the US should definitely try and care for other countries." - 10^{th} grade student

"The thing that stood out (to me) is there are a lot of horrible things going on around the world that we never knew were going on." - 9th grade student

"Innocent people are being affected. Every country deserves their own rights and freedoms." - 11th grade student

ABC News will air a series of interviews with Malala this week, beginning on October 7 on GMA and throughout the week on the evening news with Diane Sawyer. An hour long 20/20 special, Who Will Have the Courage, will air Friday, October 11 at 10pm. Go to this link for more information: <u>http://abcnews.go.com/WNT/video/diane-sawyers-exclusiveinterview-malala-yousafzai-airs-starting-20469479</u>

Important Yearbook and Picture Information

There was a technological glitch at Lifetouch recently resulting in the wrong information given to parents and students regarding their portrait choices for the Yearbook. This has been corrected and students and parents should be able to choose from more than two proofs. The deadline to choose the portraits will be November 8th, 2013. This includes students who will have portraits taken here at the school on October 21st. Students who have portraits taken should receive an appointment slip for Lifetouch in the mail.

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 of for books ordered between February 1 and April 20 is \$80.00. Personalization is not available for books ordered during this time. Any books purchased during the Yearbook distribution in May will cost 85.00. Last year, any extra books sold out quickly. So, don't wait! Purchase your book now!

The deadline to purchase a senior ad is January 17th. However, if you purchase an ad before November 29th the price is discounted.

Senior quotes for the yearbook are due to Mrs. Titus, room E229, by October 15th. Forms will be available during lunch at a table by the cafeteria.

If you are interested in purchasing a business ad in the yearbook, please see the yearbook page on the website <u>http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/links/YearbookInformation.php</u> or contact <u>Nancy Titus</u>.

There will be a photographer here on October 21st to take senior portraits for any seniors who have not had their pictures taken. Lifetouch will contact all seniors and provide an appointment time that day. <u>Underclass make-ups will also be taken on this day!</u>

Mavs Crush Cancer—2013

