

Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



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Attention
All
Maverick
Ladies!
- It is that
time again for
the biggest
event of the
fall!

Yes, time for you to ask your date to the Sadie Hawkins Dance! Sadie's will take place here at Marvin Ridge on Saturday, December 6, and unlike prom, it is open to students of all grade levels. Ladies, you can make this an awesome GNO!! Tickets on sale now, both [online](#) and live during lunch! Single tickets are \$15 or \$25 for couples. Start asking and/or start buying ASAP!

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Important Upcoming Dates—

- November 23—Union County Christmas Parade
- November 26—Optional Teacher Workday
- November 27 & 28—Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 1—Junior Night with Guidance
- December 4—Chorus Winter Concert
- December 6—Sadie Hawkins Dance
- December 11-13—Much Ado About Nothing Performances
- December 14—Waxhaw Christmas Parade
- December 15—Financial Aid Night for Seniors
- December 16—Band Winter Concert
- December 18—IB Class of 2014 Diploma Ceremony
- December 22—Winter Break Begins

Reminder: ChromeBook Expectations

- Students must bring their laptops with them each day, fully charged.
- Parents are not allowed to drop off laptops in the front office for student pick-up.
- Students must maintain safe-use and be responsible for laptop storage.
- Students who misuse technology will have laptops confiscated and will face disciplinary action.

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.

Mavs Take Action Against Bullying Week, November 17-21!

National statistics show that bullying is the most common form of violence, and over 3.2 million students are victims of bullying each year. Here some are other facts:



- About 58% of students admit that someone has said mean or hurtful things to them online. More than 4 out of 10 say it has happened more than once.
 - About 75% of students have visited a website bashing another student.
 - **83** percent of girls and **79** percent of boys report being bullied either in school or online, and **75** percent of school shootings have been linked to harassment and bullying against the shooter.
 - 43% of teens were victims of a cyberbully in the last year.
- Cyberbullying** is defined as a young person tormenting, threatening, harassing, or embarrassing another young person or a school staff member using the Internet, social media, or other technologies, like cell phones.

To offset these startling statistics, this year, we will be focusing on creating a kinder school through Random Acts of Kindness! We perform Random Acts of Kindness when we go beyond what is expected of us and reach out to help another person. There are hundreds of ways to show someone that you care. This week, Mavs, will take action and look for opportunities to show that you care by performing Random Acts of Kindness for your classmates and school staff. **“No act of kindness, however small, will go unnoticed.” Aesop**

—**All Week:** Pay attention to the Deck the Halls Spread of Kindness. You can also buy a “Thank-A-Mav Card” during lunch through Friday where you can express your gratitude to someone by writing them a note! They will be 25 cents and come with a special treat! “Thank-A-Mav Cards” will be delivered during 4th block on Friday and Monday.

—**Wednesday during lunches:** Your school counselors will have a ***Mavs Take Action Against Bullying*** banner for you to sign. Remember to stop by and add your autograph to show that you are taking action against bullying by being kind!

—**Wear orange and blue** on Friday as we come together as “Mavs Taking Action Against Bullying!”

PTSO Request for Help—

We are so thankful for our staff here at Marvin Ridge High School! If you would like to help us help them celebrate the holiday, please feel free to sign up below for our annual pie give away to our wonderful staff! This event will be held Tuesday, November 25th. We are asking for pies, pies and a few more pies!!! Please read the sign up genius for all the info! We will also need about 5 volunteers to help us wrap up the pies that morning! Please keep in mind that we will need at least 125 pies for the MRHS staff, and we would love to see if we could get an extra 50 pies to donate to the staff at South Providence School located in Waxhaw. Store bought and homemade are all welcomed!!!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0949a4af2a1-november> Thanks so much for all your help! Enjoy the cooler weath-

Maverick Athletics...from Athletic Director Tom Jamerson

Last Week's Results:

Football

Varsity Football loses 38-27 to Asheboro

Week at a Glance:

Tuesday, November 18

Basketball Away @ Ardrey Kell
Swimming @ Pfeiffer University

Thursday, November 20

Basketball @ Home vs. Hickory Ridge

Friday, November 21

Wrestling Tournament—
Rumble @ the Ridge (Home)

Saturday, November 22

Wrestling Continues

NLI Signing

National Letter of Intent Signing Day for student-athletes was celebrated Wednesday, November 12th at 12:30pm in the Media Center. We are honored to have five athletes signing:

Sara Maleski – Diving – UNC-Chapel Hill
Ashley McGowan – Softball – Tennessee Tech
Clare Murphy – Women's Lacrosse – Virginia Commonwealth University
Taylor Sweeney – Women's Lacrosse – University of Tampa



Follow the Mavs on Twitter!
@MavAthletics

The Marvin Ridge Beta Club and Wrestling Team are proud to sponsor



“Mavs Wrestle Hunger”
A Food Drive to Benefit Loaves and Fishes



November 3-25 Extended!**

- Students who donate will receive free admission to an upcoming wrestling event!
 - Club Challenge! Members can donate in honor of their favorite MRHS student organization!
 - The club with the greatest participation will receive a free after-school pizza party for members!
- Items of primary need right now: pasta (not mac); pasta sauce; canned fruits
Other canned and dry goods are also needed!

It's November – Share Your Thankfulness!

Announcing the 2014 Mini Mav Dancer Clinic and Performance with the Marvin Ridge Varsity Dance Team!

A fundraiser for the Isabella Santos Foundation, the clinic will be Saturday, November 22nd from 9-12 at MRHS; the performance is Friday, December 5th at the Girls Varsity Basketball Game Half Time. Open to all K-5th grade students from our cluster schools at a cost of \$35 (includes a t-shirt). Go to www.gomavericks.org to sign up between November 5th and November 21st.



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Maverick Senior and Guidance News

**Class of
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College Acceptances and Scholarships should be reported to Guidance. Your counselor is excited to hear your great news. The previous graduating class earned over \$19 million in scholarship dollars. Please turn in copies of your scholarships as we are sure you can surpass that total!!

We have more colleges signed up to visit in the Fall:
Living Arts College – Wednesday, Nov 19th at 1:30pm, a representative for Military Service Academies (i.e. West Point) – Monday, Nov 24th at 9:30am, Wesleyan College – Tuesday, Dec 2nd at 10:30am.

Senior Breakfasts occur each month in the media center. The next breakfast is this week, Friday, November 21.

Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines of Note:

December 1 – Do Something.org
December 1 – Self nomination deadline for NCSU's Centennial Scholars Program
December 1 – Boston University Trustee Scholarship
December 1 – Villanova Presidential Scholarship
December 1 – Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)
December 1 – W.H. Plemmons Leader Fellows – Appalachian State University
December 1 – T. Johnson Honor Scholarship – Washington and Lee University
December 1 – Presidential Scholars – Randolph College
December 1 – Ingram Scholarship – Vanderbilt University
December 5 – Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship
December 8 – Lyceum Scholars Program – Clemson University

Attention Juniors and Junior Parents: Are you wondering what steps you should be taking right now to prepare your student for senior year, college plans, and applications? Are you curious about senior year expectations and pitfalls and want to plan ahead? If the Join your MRHS School Counseling team for a Junior Information Night on Monday, December 1 at 6:30 PM in our Auditorium.

Reminder: Schedule Changes for next semester are NOT available until January. Counselors will NOT meet with parents or students about schedule changes at this time. Please follow the process that will be outlined for January.

Planning ahead...Preliminary First Semester Exam Schedule

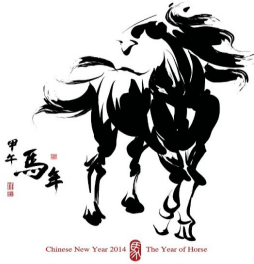
(A more detailed schedule with times and review sessions will be published and available on our website in the coming weeks).

Monday, January 12—First Block Exam
Tuesday, January 13—Second Block Exam
Wednesday, January 14—Third Block Exam
Thursday, January 15—Fourth Block Exam
Friday, January 16—Make-up Exams

**Exams include all EOC, IMS, NC Common, and Teacher-Made tests. All exams must be taken by Friday, January 16 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 19, and two teacher workdays on Tuesday, January 20 and Wednesday, January 21. Second semester will begin for students on Thursday, January 22.

Community Read and China Festival Plans—



As part of our school's mission, our community comes together to discuss a global topic in the fall* during an event called Community Read Day. The aim of this program is to empower our students with global knowledge and a respect for diversity that will help them be successful citizens in a changing global community. This year we will be using the following five books to explore Chinese culture. Please select one of the following books to read over the summer.

**** Community Read Day and Activities will take place in February, during Chinese New Year and the student visit from our sister school in Nanjing, China.**

- 1) *Iron and Silk* by Mark Salzman
- 2) *Asian American Dreams: The Emergence of an American People* by Helen Zia
- 3) *American Born Chinese* by Gene Luen Yang
- 4) *Driven Out: The Forgotten War Against Chinese Americans* by Jean Pfaelzer
- 5) *The Hundred Secret Senses: A Novel* by Amy Tan

Students, what should you do?

- 1) *Select at least one book from the list to explore.*
- 2) *As you read, keep an open mind and consider what you are learning from the book. Practice all the great reading strategies you have learned in school like questioning, summarizing, annotating, predicting, inferring, visualizing, connecting, and evaluating.*
- 3) *Use the website above to learn more.*
- 4) *Be prepared to participate in the Community Read Day events in the fall including class discussions and writing assignments in all of your classes.*

Parents, how can you get involved?

- 1) *Using the list of options, help your child choose a book that you think best meets his or her needs intellectually and emotionally.*
- 2) *Help your child find a copy of the book by purchasing a copy or checking one out from a library.*
- 3) *Feel free to join the community read by reading one or more of the books on the list. You will even have the opportunity to participate in book club discussions with other parents and staff on Community Read Day.*
- 4) *Talk with your child about the book. See the suggestions below.*
- 5) *Encourage your child to pick up other books that interest him or her.*

We are very excited to announce the first ever MRHS Chinese Festival, sponsored by our PTSO, World Language Department, and the Administration! We will celebrate our Community Read topic, the visit our Sister School Delegation, and Chinese New Year in one day and evening! Mark your calendar now:

Monday, February 16, 2015

FBLA goes Disney!

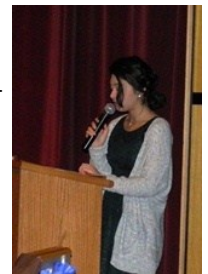
From November 7 to 11, over 40 students and chaperones attended the 2014 Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Fall Trip to Orlando, FL. Students participated in the Disney Youth Education Series Y.E.S. program. On the first day, students spent the morning at EPCOT learning about Disney management skills and business strategies for becoming effective leaders. On day two, students spent the day at Disney's Hollywood Studios to learn about the innovative animation processes Walt Disney developed that changed the motion picture industry. Day three led students back to EPCOT, where students participated in activities to help them understand the broader scope of technology and how innovation is inspired. While the program was fast paced, students still had time to explore EPCOT, Disney Hollywood, Downtown Disney and the Magic Kingdom. The trip was a great success!



MRHS StuCo hosts Western District Conference



Twenty three high school and middle school student councils with over 400 attendees from across the western part of North Carolina gathered at MRHS on Saturday, November 15 for the North Carolina Association of Student Councils (NCASC) Western District Conference. MRHS was awarded the conference after junior Alicia Nam ran for and won election to the office of Western District Chair at the 2013-14 NCASC State Conference last April. The conference was definitely the culmination of months of planning, organization, and committee meetings.



While at the fall conference, North Carolina student council members first heard introductions and a keynote speech from nationally recognized motivation Jeff Yalden. Members then went on a rotation of workshops and participated in a service project. The workshops, all 45 minutes in length and led by many MRHS students, consisted of topics such as time management, school spirit, and working with school administration. Students were also able to make holiday cards for the Ronald McDonald House of Charlotte, and over 400 cards were collected in total for the families at the House. The conference was closed by a concluding message from Jeff Yalden and an address by NCASC President Jake Peede. Overall, the day was full of leadership

lessons, greeting friends from across North Carolina, and student council pride. A special thanks goes to Mr. Gain and Ms. Justice for organizing the conference, and to the members of student council who dutifully stayed at the school Friday night and all day Saturday to ensure that the conference was executed in full Maverick style.



WANTED!



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- How do I get **NOTICED?**
- How do I get **RECRUITED?**
- How can I get **SCHOLARSHIP** offers?
- Where do I **START?**

Get these answers and much more on:

Monday, Dec 8, 2014 - 7:00 PM
Marvin Ridge H. S. Auditorium

For Athletes & Parents grades 8 –12

Attendees will receive a FREE SAT/ACT Prep DVD valued at \$200!

* Limit 1 per family / S&H not included



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