

# Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message

*Around the Ridge this week...*



## Benchmark Assessment Schedule—

All courses at Marvin Ridge High School will have benchmark assessments. This week the schedule includes:

Mon – English, CTE

Tuesday – Science, Fine Arts

Wednesday – World Languages

Thursday – Math

Friday – Social Studies, Health & PE

*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.*



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**Breast  
Cancer  
Awareness  
Month  
continues  
through  
October.**



*Athletic Boosters and  
the Senior Class  
are proud to sponsor—*

## **Trunk or Treat** **Thursday, October 30** **5:00-6:00 PM**

*In the MRHS Student Parking Lot  
Prior to the JV home football game v. Anson*

**\*\*\* Kids are invited to come dressed up to collect candy from 5:00pm-6:00pm \*\*\***

**\*\*\* Marvin Ridge Senior's CARS will be decorated and prizes will be awarded (lot opens at 4:00pm) \*\*\***

**\*\*\* Costume Parade inside the stadium before the start of the game! Families are welcome to attend and have dinner at the concession stand.**



### **Congratulations Mr. Roncone!**

For the second year in a row, the Prize Patrol of the Union County Education Foundation made a visit to the art classroom of Mr. Chris Roncone to once again award his art program a \$500 grant. Last year, Mr. Roncone won a grant to create the much talked about 3D Global Issue Art Display. This display will be recreated in fact at the annual Union County Biz Ed Breakfast on November where Mr. Roncone will also serve as a guest speaker. This year, Mr. Roncone wrote a grant to create an internal and permanent decorative Mosaic tile display for MRHS. Art students will assist Mr. Roncone in the tessellated (reflective) design that will include school colors and geometric patterns. "I am honored to win twice now—anytime outside community support comes in the classroom, it has a positive impact," says Mr. Roncone.

## **Mr. Montroy chosen as Teacher of the Year 2014-2015**



Nominated by his peers and selected by an interview committee, Social Studies teacher and football coach Matthew Montroy is the 2014-2015 Teacher of the Year for Marvin Ridge High School.

This is Mr. Montroy's seventh year of teaching, all of which have been as a Maverick. He is passionate about learning and reaching students on a personal level as well communicating about history. Through the years, he has taught a variety of courses, from Civics to AP US History, but this year he is teaching a course he truly loves and helped establish here at Marvin Ridge, Cold War History. "The fact that the Cold War sets up our current history makes it extremely relevant. The course allows me to teach students about events that shape our world today in hopes that we do not repeat the mistakes of the past." No worries, though, he will pick up with AP US History again in the Spring.

Outside of the classroom, Mr. Montroy has served as a varsity football coach for seven years, and advises many clubs and student organizations. This year he is working with the Spirit Club, Rho Kappa, and the newest Patriot Club. Originally from New York state, he moved to North Carolina to begin his teaching career and coach. He attended Hobart College for his Bachelor's degree and completed his Master of Science in Adolescent Education with a concentration in History at St. John Fisher College. He is an avid board and video game enthusiast, and very excited about representing Marvin Ridge in the district competition for UCPS Teacher of the Year. Congratulations, Mr. Montroy!



## Maverick Athletics...from Athletic Director Tom Jamerson

### Last Week's Results:

#### Soccer

Varsity lost to Weddington 5-2  
JV tied Weddington 2-2

#### Football

Varsity defeated Piedmont 34-28  
JV lost 48-21

#### Volleyball

##### NCHSAA Playoffs:

1<sup>st</sup> Round – won 3-0 over North Buncombe  
2<sup>nd</sup> Round – won 3-0 over Weddington  
3<sup>rd</sup> Round – won 3-2 over Hickory  
4<sup>th</sup> Round – won 3-1 over North Henderson

#### Cross Country

Girls – 1<sup>st</sup> place at NCHSAA Regionals  
Boys – 3<sup>rd</sup> place at NCHSAA regionals  
\*Both advance to State Championships

#### Tennis

1<sup>st</sup> Round – Defeated Pisgah 9-0  
2<sup>nd</sup> Round – Defeated Shelby Crest 9-0

#### Golf

Won NCHSAA 3A Regionals by 46 strokes.

Morgan Laird – 77  
Ahra Ko – 78  
Haley McCrossan – 106  
\*qualify for state finals

### Week at a Glance:

#### Monday – October 27

NCHSAA 3A Golf Finals – 8am  
NCHSAA 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Team Tennis Duals @ Asheville HS – 3pm

#### Tuesday – October 28

NCHSAA 3A Golf Finals – 8am  
NCHSAA First Round Men's Soccer Home vs. South Iredell – 7pm  
NCHSAA Regional Finals @ West Henderson HS – 6pm

#### Wednesday – October 29

NCHSAA Regional Round Team Tennis Duals – Site TBD

#### Thursday – October 30

Home JV Football vs. Anson – 6:30p

#### Friday – October 31

Varsity Football @ Anson – 7:30p

#### Saturday – November 31

Cross Country 3A Finals – Kernersville, NC  
NCHSAA 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Men's soccer – Time/Site TBD  
NCHSAA State Volleyball Finals – Reynolds Coliseum 7:30p  
NCHSAA State Tennis Team Duals Finals – Time TBD

Congratulations to our  
three SCC Conference  
Coaches of the Year!!



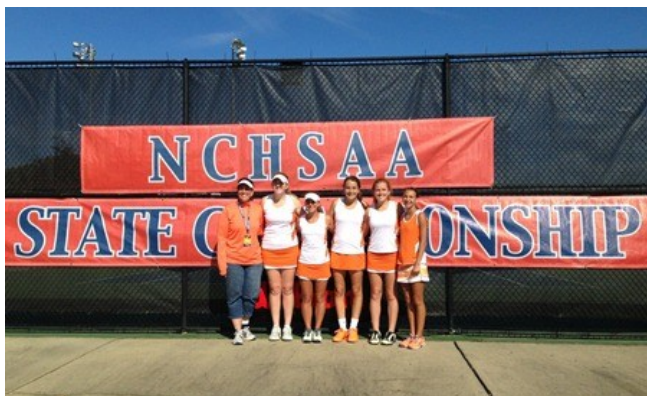
Brook Hammers, Volleyball



Julie van Olden, Tennis



Cameron Starr, XC



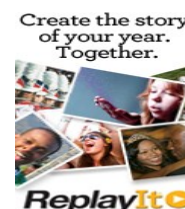
**Go Mavericks!!**



Follow the Mavs  
on Twitter!  
@MavAthletics

## Yearbook News

Attention Mavericks: Download the Replay It App on your Smartphone and send the yearbook staff your pictures! Parents and students can both use the App to send us pictures of your big moments and for senior ads!



## Maverick Senior and Guidance News

**Class of 2015!**  
KingerBug.com

**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!!

**Recommendation** requests should be directed to the staff member and any required forms should be provided to the staff member at the time of the request. Please be sure to give staff members ample time so that they can fulfill your request.

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

If you missed Senior Night by Guidance on September 2, please find important information on our website, including an electronic copy of the Senior Planning Guide.

[http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/guidance/for\\_seniors.php](http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/guidance/for_seniors.php)

### Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines of Note:

October 31 – Coca-Cola Scholars Program

November 1 – NCSU Merit & Financial Need Scholarships

November 1 – NCSU Shelton National Student Leadership Scholarship

November 1 – First deadline for Rob Brown Scholar Program

November 1 – VFW – Voice of Democracy Contest

November 1 – deadline to be nominated for Congressional Service Academy

November 4 – Prudential Spirit of Community Award

November 7 – Eugene McDermott – University of Texas

**Senior Superlatives and Quotes**  
for the yearbook are being  
distributed and collected  
during LUNCH!  
Make sure your vote  
and voice count!

**Check out the New Updates to the [School Counseling](#) Tab on the MRHS website!**

- Course offerings
- Scholarships
- Testing dates
- Online requests to see your counselor



**Who:** All members of the Class of 2015

**What:** Free College Application Week

**When:** November 10-14

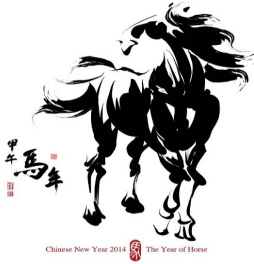
**Where:** through Senior English Classes or by appointment in guidance

**How:** Establishing your CFNC account and completing online applications to a variety of private colleges, community colleges, and state universities

**Why:** You need a back up plan and your parents need free money for you for college!

**AND IT'S FREE!!**

## Reminder: Community Read—Summer Reading 2014



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 soon. A final date will be chosen by our administration and site-base team members.**

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

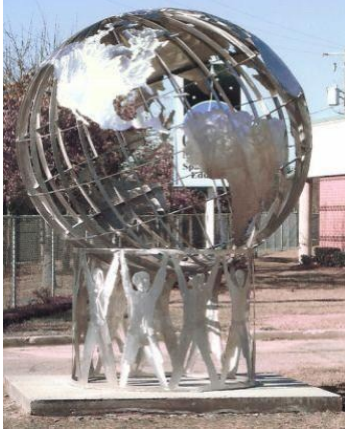
### ***Students, what should you do?***

- 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.*

- If you'd like to help your child practice effective reading skills in alignment with the Common Core Curriculum, consider asking him or her the following questions. Always follow up their answers to any questions with "What makes you think that?" or "How do you know?" Citing evidence that supports their knowledge or arguments is an important life skill.
- Community Read Day in the Fall, and a follow-up activity in the Spring, give parents opportunities to volunteer as well as promote the global perspective and goals of Marvin Ridge. Stay tuned for more information in future newsletters and on our website.



## Hello Friends of Marvin Ridge High and Middle Schools!

The roundabout at the entrance of the Schools creates the “first impression” to the families, staff and visitors to our campus. The PTSO has been working with the High School and the Middle school to improve and develop the roundabout with an exciting new initiative.

“PASSPORT TO THE WORLD” is more than just a motto; it’s a Mission! From the first graduation class in 2008 and continuing today, Marvin Ridge has been providing its students with the tools to pursue careers and endeavors on a global basis.

We are proud of this tradition!

Therefore, we have created a plan to develop the roundabout as a statement of this continuing tradition, aspiration and inspiration. We plan to install a metal sculpture of a globe that is held high in the air by students, which will be secured on a concrete platform. The words, “PASSPORT TO THE WORLD” will be proudly displayed. The area around the globe will then be beautifully landscaped.

To make this project a reality, we need your support! Our goal is to raise funds for this project primarily through sponsorships from local businesses. Sponsorships can be in the form of monetary pledges, or donated or discounted services (in-kind).

If you are willing to pledge a donation to the project, please let us know! We have set up a tiered structure to formally recognize sponsors for their generous contributions. We look forward to meeting with companies interested in supporting Marvin Ridge Roundabout Development Project!

Sponsor commitments are requested by November 15, 2014. For a full copy of the Sponsorship Tiers and form, please go to the MRHS or MRMS websites in the scrolling announcement links. A form will also be forward to all MRHS families.

Please contact Katherine Billingham at (704)500-0408 or [Kathy@kbillingham.com](mailto:Kathy@kbillingham.com) for any questions.

Thank you for your support of this important project!!!



## SAVE THE DATE:

Marvin Ridge High School PTSO will host former Ambassador Mark Erwin for a special leadership presentation on Monday, November 17 at 7:00 PM. Students, parents, and community members are invited to attend! For more information about Mr. Erwin, please copy the link below into your browser.

<https://www.americanambassadors.org/members/mark-w-erwin>