



To MNHS Families,

January 16th, 2023, we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Each year Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday (January 15, 1929) is celebrated on the third Monday in January. This day honors the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his fight for racial justice and equality for every nationality. He dedicated his life to a nonviolent approach to civil rights. Dr. King's leadership was essential in ending engrained segregation and the creation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This day is also known as a National Day of Service. Each year many Americans step up to make communities more equitable and take action to create the community of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream. Americans are encouraged to volunteer to improve their own community. AmeriCorps created a [volunteer search](#) for individuals to help find local organizations that need assistance.

On Monday, The University of Pennsylvania's Society of Women Engineers (SWE) will be hosting **GEARS Day**. GEARS Day is a day-long, no-cost camp intended to educate high school girls about engineering professions. The event is on Penn's campus. Attendees will participate in hands-on workshops focusing on various engineering disciplines including bioengineering, chemical engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, and computer science. Participants will also get a chance to hear from and speak with engineering professors and college students. The program seeks to inspire attendees and show them that women can enter such fields with vast opportunities available to them.

The students who participate in the Future Business Leaders of America, FBLA, participated in an event at a Leadership Conference in December. Four of the students qualify for the State Leadership Conference which will be held in April. The four students qualified for different events such as advertising, marketing concepts, intro to public speaking, and public speaking. Congratulations to the FBLA.

Registration for students who want to participate in Mini-Thon will end on Friday, January 20th. The registration fee is \$50. Students are encouraged to attend meetings regarding the event and to see teacher sponsors for more information. Students have an ambitious goal to raise \$60,000 this year. Click [here](#) to see our donor site which is open to the public.

Reminders:

- Parents, please make sure your phone numbers are up to date in IC in case of closure due to snow.
- To donate to Best Buddies Polar Plunge visit <https://give.specialolympicspa.org/ucs> and select Marple Newtown Tigers.

Important Dates:

1/16/23 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday – District Closed – A Day of Service
1/18/23 – 1/19/23 - English & Math Mid-term Exams
1/20/23 – 1/23/23 - Social Studies & Science Mid-term Exams
1/24/23 – 1/25/23 - World Language Mid-term Exams
1/26/23 – 1/27/23 - Make-up Exams
1/27/23 – Marking Period 2 ends

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District:

As a reminder, there is no school for students and staff on Monday, January 16.

Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building. The public is encouraged to attend.

Paxon Hollow Middle School:**Elementary Schools:**

Kindergarten report cards will be distributed on January 17. As mentioned in the PHMS message, Fifth Grade transition activities to Sixth Grade start soon, we are excited for our rising Sixth Graders! For planning purposes, there is no school for students or staff on February 20.