



To MNHS Families,

As February comes to an end and March begins, we transition from Black History Month into Women's History Month. Each morning in March, students will hear an announcement about women in history who made an impact and paved the way to a brighter future.

Last week we had evening parent conferences. Tiger Guides assisted parents in finding teachers' classrooms around the building. Tiger Guides are students who assist at different events throughout the school year. They are essential during events to ensure they run smoothly. Tiger Guides also assist with providing new students tours throughout the school year and often mentor younger students. For any student interested in becoming a Tiger Guide click [here](#).

On Friday, students taking Culinary I had the opportunity to participate in a CHOP challenge like the TV Show. Sergeant Ervin brought in MREs (Meal, Ready to Eat) and students transformed the ingredients into something new. This not only gave students a perspective of what military personnel may deal with when deployed, but it also gave them the opportunity to be creative in what they prepare. Staff members volunteered as judges to select the winners of the challenge.

Winter sports are still in session, and we are proud of our Tiger Athletes and Musicians. Here is an update about the winter season.

- **Cheerleading:** The Cheerleaders had a great season with Varsity competing in the PIAA States as well as UCA Nationals. The team finished in the top 5 for the Central League and had a strong performance. The JV team also competed in Wildwood showing off their performance.
- **Girls Indoor Track and Field:** What an exciting season this team had with the largest team with 80 athletes! One of our members broke the high jump record with a 4'7" jump. This student did not only break the record once this year but twice! Four of the team members broke the 4x800 record by 10 seconds. Four members also broke the 4x200 record by 1.2 seconds. The team also competed for the first time at Ocean Breeze in New York where students broke two school records. The team had students take home medals at Alvernia (4x800), and Glen Mills (DMR, 4x800, 4x400, and 55 hurdles. Excellent season by all!
- **Boys Indoor Track and Field:** The Boy's Track and Field Team made The Meet of Champions in style qualifying for ten spots. Two students recorded new MNHS records in the 60, the 200, and the long jump. The team worked hard to prepare for all their events and had a wonderful season. Today, Sunday, one of our students is competing in the state competition at Penn State. We wish him luck!

- **Diving:** This team loves the water! One of our very talented athletes repeated as Diving Central League Champion this year and competed at the District 1 Diving Championship at North Penn. Another student placed 7th with a career-high score at Central League Championships and competed at the District 1 Champions.
- **Girls and boys swimming:** The swim team also had a great season with two students qualifying to swim at districts. We wish them both luck and cannot wait to hear how they place!
- **Percussion:** MNHS Indoor Percussion has worked hard in developing their 2023 program, "In The Dark". The competition season started, and they continue to work hard to fine-tune their performance. We look forward to seeing how the competition season runs and we wish them all luck!
- **Color Guard:** The MNHS Winter Guard's 2023 program "Spring" is currently sitting at a high score of 53.81 in the MAIN Guards Scholastic Regional AA Division. This group also continues to perfect their performance and strive to beat their own high standards. Congratulations to all members on their hard work and dedication. We wish them luck with the rest of the season!
- **Wrestling:** Even though this team is young they worked hard to have a good year. Four members of the team had 20 or more wins this season. The team placed 5th in Central Leagues, and we look forward to hearing how Districts pan out from yesterday.
- **Girls and Boys Basketball:** Both teams have had an exciting season so far with both teams making it to playoffs. The girls fought hard but unfortunately did not continue to the quarterfinals. The boys' basketball team is still fighting strong, and we wish them luck!

Reminders:

- To donate to Best Buddies Polar Plunge visit <https://give.specialolympicspa.org/ucs> and select Marple Newtown Tigers.
- Students participating in Mini-Thon, have an ambitious goal to raise \$60,000 this year. Click [here](#) to see our donor site which is open to the public.
- Click [here](#) for February Fundraisers.
- Click [here](#) to purchase tickets for the Spring Musical *The Addams Family*.

Important Dates:

2/27/23 – Handel's Ice Cream Fundraiser

2/29/23 – Krispy Kreme Fundraiser Delivery

3/16/23 – 3/18/23 – The Addams Family Musical 7:00 P.M.

3/18/23 – The Addams Family Musical 2:00 P.M.

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District:

Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building. The public is encouraged to attend.

Paxon Hollow Middle School:

The week of February 27 through March 3 is Read Across America week. Of course, we encourage reading all year at Paxon Hollow, but this week gives us the opportunity to shine a spotlight on the joy of reading. To celebrate Read Across America, students will have the opportunity to complete reading-related activities and answer daily trivia questions to be entered in prize drawings in our school library.

Elementary Schools:

Students will be attending the elementary preview of *The Addams Family* MNHS musical on March 14 and March 15 (assigned by school)! Permission slips are due this Friday, March 3, hard copies were sent home. Please click on the link below if you need an additional copy:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hu0DoBdiB0y-0hnYYtSHefJDpdfPEU_Q/view?usp=sharing

Elementary students have a great new way to show their school spirit by attending *The Addams Family* from March 16-18. The school that has the most attendees will win a trophy to display for one year, similar to the Youth Night football trophy! See below for how to show your school pride:

- Students can attend any performance(s) and their attendance will be counted.
- Put votes in designated box for your school, to be counted by staff at intermission.
- School with most overall student attendance wins:
 - MNNY trophy award (to be displayed for a year, and returned before the opening of the Spring Show each year)
 - featured highlight on MN Drama social media page
 - invitation for Admin to attend the MNNYs for award recognition OR MN Drama to present award at winning school, additional recognition at the *Star for a Day* show.

Click on the link below to view the production's flyer to see show times:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/17V0qOyxzhcmYoCp6wocZFfnqMDogLEO/view?usp=sharing>