



MMHS NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

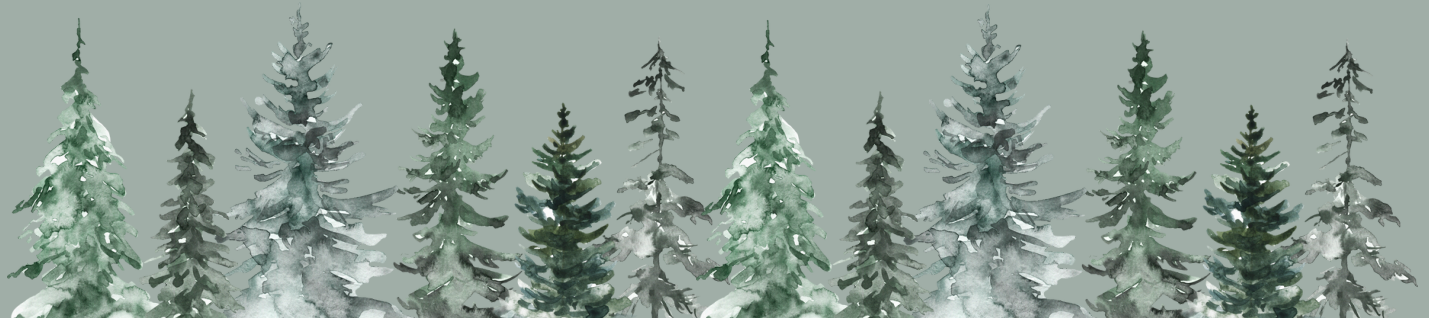
As we approach the holiday season, I want to thank you for your continued support of our students and school. December is a busy month, and we're focused on helping students finish strong while also participating in activities that encourage teamwork and giving back to our community. Attendance is particularly important during this time, as consistent participation in class helps ensure students stay on track with their learning.

Please note that the last day of school before winter break is Friday, **December 20th**. Classes will resume on Monday, **January 6th**. First semester will officially end on **January 17th**. Let's keep students on track by encouraging consistent effort and attendance during these final weeks.

Thank you for your continued support of our school. Wishing you and your family a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Warm regards,

Morgan Nowicki



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

December 1

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Opens- You must wait 3 days after creating a username and password before starting the application.

December 6

Morning 10th Grade CTE Tour

December 19

Financial Aid 101 presentation for seniors during Crew Time

December 16- If interested in dual enrollment for semester 2, please contact Chelsea Hammer to complete paperwork.

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Mariner Chronicle Editions

November 8th

November 20th



Holiday Concerts

Tuesday, Dec 10 @ 7:30
MS/HS Band Holiday Concert

Wednesday, Dec 11 @ 7:30
5th/6th Grade Band Holiday Concert

Monday, Dec 16 @ 7
HS Choir Holiday Concert



MMHS STAFF HIGHLIGHT

Shane Harrigan is a first-year teacher who brings a deep passion for history and a strong sense of enthusiasm to his classroom. "I went into teaching because I was inspired by so many of my teachers here at MMHS," Shane shares with a smile. "I also have a real passion for history, and I want to share that with students."

One of my long-term goals is to retire and work at the Smithsonian Museum, so teaching is just one part of my journey." His favorite subject to teach is World Studies, as it allows both him and his students to expand their understanding of the world. "World Studies gives us the opportunity to look at global events and understand how they shape the world around us," he explains. "It's exciting to explore different cultures and historical moments."

Even though this is his first year teaching, Shane already knows what he's looking forward to the most. "I'm definitely excited for snow days," he laughs. "I loved them when I was in school and college, and I'm sure I'll love them even more now as a teacher!" Outside of the classroom, Shane enjoys cooking, taking walks with his dog, and spending time with friends. He's also a huge fan of travel. "I have a goal to visit all seven continents and all 50 states in my lifetime," he says. "I love experiencing new places and learning about different cultures."

Shane's background in sports also plays a big role in his life. "I played college soccer, and I think that teamwork and discipline have really shaped how I approach life and teaching," he adds. With his energy, curiosity, and passion for education, Shane Harrigan is sure to make a lasting impact on his students.