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WOLVERINES VS SPARTANS



The intense rivalry between the Michigan Wolverines men's basketball and the Michigan State Spartans men's basketball will reach another exciting chapter on **Sunday, March 8, 2026**, when the two teams will clash at the Crisler Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan. This matchup, one of the final regular season games for both teams, will tip off at **4:30 PM** and is expected to draw a packed house of students, alumni, and basketball fans from across the state.

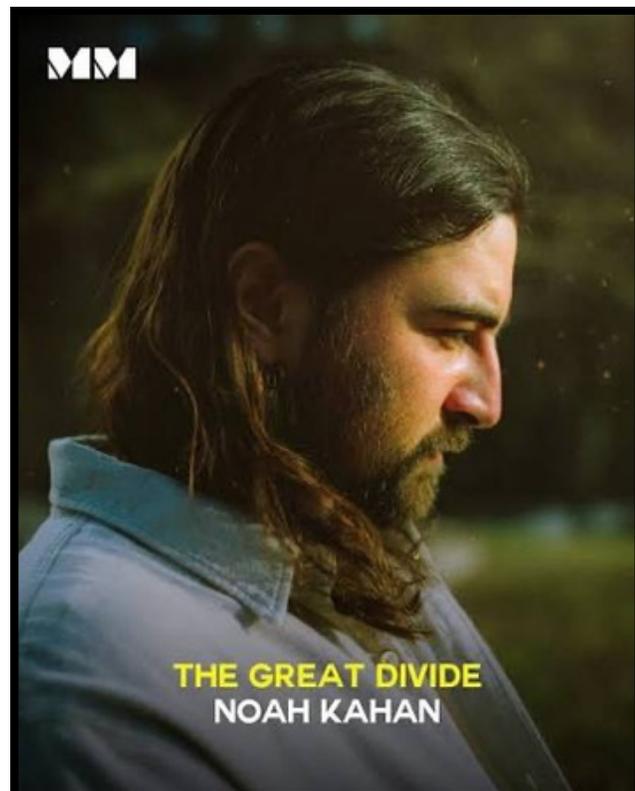
This game will be more than just another contest on the schedule. Both Michigan and Michigan State will enter the rivalry matchup with strong records and hopes of securing a high seed in the upcoming Big Ten Tournament. With conference standings still taking shape, every basket, rebound, and defensive stop will be heavily contested as each team strives to finish the regular season on a high note.

On the court, both teams will showcase their best players and strategies. Whether it's a last-second three-pointer or a clutch block in the paint, the March 8th showdown will be one to watch.



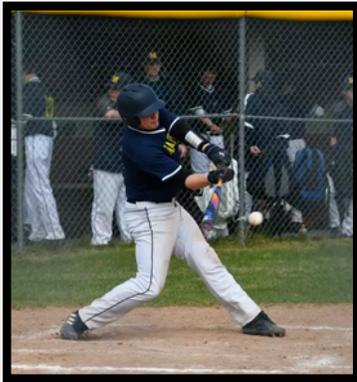
THE GREAT DIVIDE

Noah Kahan is an indie folk-pop singer and songwriter who is well known for his album “Stick Season” released in 2022. Kahan has been hinting at new releases since 2024, while playing some unreleased songs at concerts. Recently he dropped a single called “The Great Divide”, soon after he announced a corresponding album. Kahan announced the album would drop **April 24th**. Noah Kahan has also announced a stadium tour across North America this summer. The tour starts off in Orlando, FL and ends in Seattle, WA, making its way through the east coast, the south, the west coast, the midwest, and even a few stops in Canada. Presale for tickets came out Tuesday February 10th, while regular sale began Thursday February 12th. Kahan has also partnered with Mastercard for a chance for fans to have the chance to win tickets to the tour, or listen to the new album with Noah Kahan. Kahan has also selected a small group of fans that will receive an email with \$100 tickets in a small secluded pit called the “Front Porch”. Kahan has also announced “Noah Kahan: Out of Body”, a documentary that will premiere at SXSW festival on **March 12-18**. Safe to say Noah Kahan has been super busy these past few weeks, with much more to come.



SPRING SPORTS

Spring sports start **Monday, March 9, 2026**. Make sure if you are interested in participating to sign up in the office and show up! The spring sport options are: track, girls tennis, girls soccer, softball, baseball, and boys golf.



STUDENT PARKING

Written by Alayna Edmondson

Students, make sure you are parking in the far parking lot, near the pool. Additionally, the fire lane is not for parking, no matter the time!

WINTER OLYMPICS!



The 2026 Milano Cortina Winter Games have come to an end. Norway showed up and showed out. Setting a new record for the most gold metals won in a single Winter Olympics. They won 18 gold metals, and a total of 41 metals. Along with their gold they took home 12 silver and 11 bronze. It was not just Norway who had a successful Winter Olympics, the United States took home 33 medals including 12 gold, 12 silver, and 9 bronze. The United States shined in hockey winning gold in men's and women's hockey. The men won 2-1, this was the first gold medal for the men's team in 46 years. The women also won 2-1, they last won gold in 2018. Hilary Knight played her fifth and last game in the Olympics, securing her second gold medal. Alysa Liu made history at the games as well. She became the first USA woman figure skater to win gold in 24 years with a total score of 226.79. This was an incredible comeback from her retirement in 2024. USA men's Speed Skating also had a good run. Jordan Stolz won gold in the 500m and 1000m along with a silver in the 1500m. He set new records with his gold medals. Overall the USA made great strides in this Winter Games. The USA team came home with many medals and many records.



THE END FOR BOYS BASKETBALL

Unfortunately, on Monday, February 23, the boys basketball season came to an end to Big Rapids during the district game. They fell short with a score of 52-59.

Landin Sowa (12) and **Chaos Davis (11)** led the Mariners in scoring with 12 points each. **Sowa** also added 7 rebounds, 1 assist, and 1 steal. However, **Davis** added 2 rebounds, 2 assists, and 2 steals. **Braylen Zimmerman (12)** chipped in 7 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists, and 1 steal.



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GIRLS BASKETBALL SEASON ENDS

The Manistee girls beat Benzie in order to play Glen Lake on Wednesday, March 4th. They just fell short with a score of 55-47 causing their season to come to a close.

Alayna Edmondson (12) led the way for the Mariners with 17 points, 8 assists, and 6 steals. **Lindsey Gardner (12)** added 8 points, 3 rebounds, and 3 steals for the team. While, **Shalyn Harmon (12)**, **Maya Goodspeed (10)**, and **Madalyn Wayward (12)** added 5 each. **Harmon** grabbed 4 rebounds as well. **Goodspeed** chipped in with 2 assists and 5 rebounds. **Wayward** rounded out with 1 assist, and 2 rebounds.



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: AUBREY NICKLESON

Written by Gracie Gilman

The senior spotlight is a great way to get to know your MHS seniors. The graduating class has a big responsibility to lead their younger peers. If you want to learn more about your senior **Aubrey Nickerson** read about her below:



- **What is one thing you wish you knew as a freshman?**
- Something I wish I knew as a freshman was to take in the moments. I definitely feel like I took my time for granted.
- **What advice would you give about stress and burnout?**
- Know that it's okay to give yourself a break, your mental health comes before anything else.
- **What class or experience impacted you the most?**
- Mr. Joseph's class has impacted me the most. This is because there is always an essay to do in his class, so it taught me time management.
- **What is your biggest regret in relation to high school?**
- My biggest regret related to high school is not trying new things.
- **What advice would you give to someone who is thinking about trying new things?**
- **Just do it!!** You won't have this chance in the future so why pass it up.

BEAR-LY THERE MARINERS!

The snow-covered trails of Calumet, Michigan, will come alive again on **Saturday, March 7, 2026**, as skiers from across the region gather for the annual Great Bear Chase Ski Marathon. Held at the scenic **Swedetown** ski trails, this event will be one of the most exciting days of the winter season for cross-country ski enthusiasts.

Participants of all ages and skill levels will have the chance to compete in a variety of race distances, including the classic and freestyle 10 km, 24 km, and 53 km events, as well as skiathlon races where competitors will switch techniques mid-course. In addition, the day will feature Para Nordic distances and fun Junior Bear Chase races for younger skiers, giving families plenty to watch and enjoy. Meanwhile, volunteers will help guide participants, hand out bibs, and support aid stations along the courses.



After the races, skiers and spectators alike will head to the post-race area for a famous pasty luncheon, a tradition that celebrates the local heritage and brings the community together in a shared meal. The Great Bear Chase Ski Marathon will once again showcase Michigan's winter spirit, challenging athletes while offering a welcoming, festive atmosphere that celebrates sport, snow, and community.

MIDLAND MALL COMIC CON

The **Midland Mall Comic Con** will transform Midland Mall into a vibrant hub of pop culture, creativity, and community spirit when it takes place **March 6–8**. For one exciting weekend, the usually calm shopping center will be filled with superheroes, anime icons, gamers, and comic book fans ready to celebrate everything they love about fandom culture.

The event will also feature dozens of vendors offering comic books, collectible figurines, posters, trading cards, Funko Pops, and original artwork. Local artists will display prints, stickers, and custom sketches, giving attendees the chance to support small businesses and even request personalized drawings. Food options from mall eateries will keep guests energized throughout the day. In addition, panels and guest appearances will provide insight into creative careers such as illustration, voice acting, and storytelling. Fans will have opportunities to ask questions, take photos, and learn more about the creative process behind their favorite characters.

Overall, Midland Mall Comic Con will bring together fans from across the region, creating a welcoming space where imagination will thrive and community connections will grow.





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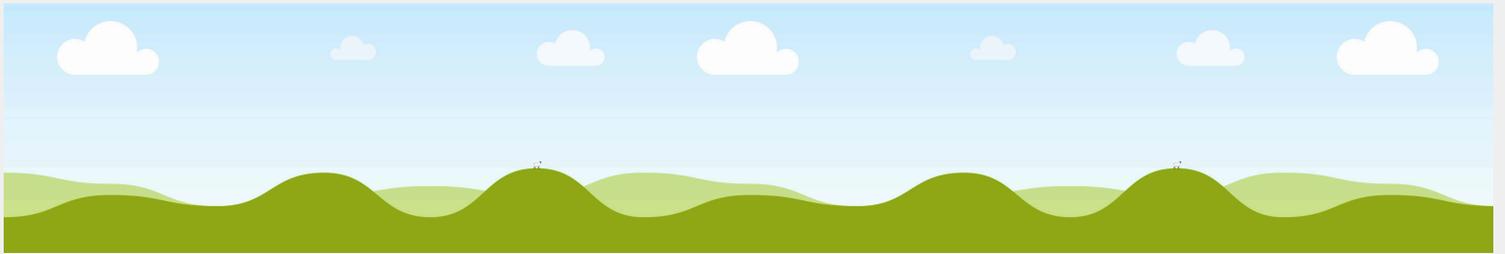


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