GO MARINERS!

MARINERS MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL MONTHLY

EVENTS
Be in the know

November 25th - ½ Day
November 26th & 27th - NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

Office Hours
Monday 8:30-4:00
Tuesday-Thursday 7:30-4:00
Friday 7:30 - 3:15

26/27 District Calendar

MAPS Website

MMHS CONTACTS

Main Office: 231-723-2547
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Morgan Nowicki, Principal
Mitch Mast, Assistant Principal
Bridget Warnke, Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
Kendra Mikolajczak, Athletic Secretary
Karen Beldo, Secretary
Tara Lange, Guidance Secretary
Chelsea Hammer, Counselor



MONTHLY WORD
from Principal Nowicki

Dear Students and Families,

As we begin the second marking period, encourage your student to keep up with assignments, ask questions when they need help, and make the most of their time in class. Staying on top of these daily habits can make a big difference as the school year continues.

November is also a good time to recognize the people who make a difference in our school and community. Teachers, support staff, coaches, counselors, families, and community members all play a part in supporting our students. Students have an important role in this, too. Helping someone out, including others, showing appreciation, and treating people with respect all contribute to the kind of school we want MMHS to be. A strong school community comes from everyone doing their part.

We invite students and families to attend Post-Secondary Preparedness & The High School Journey on November 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium. We encourage you to attend to learn more about the options available to students throughout high school and how those choices can support their plans after graduation.

Please remember that November 25 is a half day, and there is no school on November 26 and 27 for Thanksgiving break.

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing everyone a good November and a wonderful Thanksgiving break.
Sincerely,

Morgan Nowicki
MMHS Principal



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MANISTEE AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Great News!

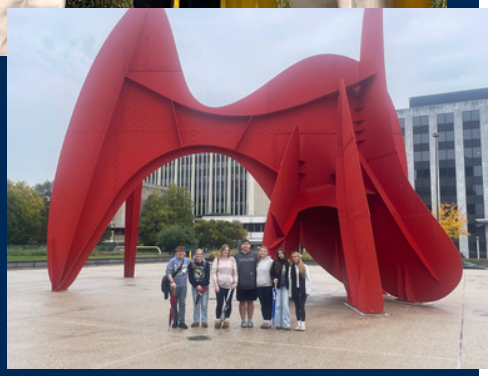


In October, the Manistee High School Marching Band attended the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association District 1 Marching Band Festival for the first time in more than 30 years and came home with a Division I rating, the highest rating possible!





Seventh grader, Justice Smith-Barton placed 6th in the quarterfinals of the Colossal Youth Athlete of the Year Competition.



Ms. Puchtel took students from the Art Leadership Team to Art Prize in Grand Rapids.. Students saw art, talked to artists and had a great experience!

Manistee Middle School Girls Cross Country won the conference championship for the first time in 10 years!



MAPS chapter of NHS inducted it's 2026 members! Congratulations to the new inductees!



Fresh Food Funding!



MAPS Nutrition Services is expanding its commitment to fresh, healthy foods after receiving a grant from the Chef Ann Foundation, in partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

The foundation grant, funded in partnership with BCBSM, provided MAPS Nutrition Services with 3 salad bars including new serving and cooling equipment just in time for the new school year to begin.

The Chef Ann Foundation and Blue Cross Blue Shield share in the district's goal to replace ultra-processed foods with fresh, locally grown foods for producing healthy meals for our students and protect the planet by reducing packaging waste. This high-quality equipment will help simplify the delivery of fresh foods to students each day.

MARINER MISSION MOMENTS

Mariners lead the way by providing an inclusive, high-quality, diverse educational environment that inspires and fulfills the goals of all learners at every stage of their journey.















STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Winter Activities

are about to begin.

Get in on the Fun!

Winter Sport and Activities Practice Schedule

Winter Sports Schedule

Have you considered YAC?

The Manistee County Community Foundation has opened its Youth Advisory Council membership recruitment and is seeking **9th & 10th grade representatives** from MAPS.

The YAC serves as the foundation's local panel of experts on the needs and issues that face area youth and advises the board of directors on grants from MCCF's Youth Endowment Fund.

Let Principal Nowicki know if you are interested in applying.

Reminder for Seniors!

Senior Photos are due January 8th

Submit Photo Here



Gear up for another great school year!

Visit the Mariner Shop











Michigan Youth Work Permit Process Changes

Below we are sharing important information about changes to the State of Michigan's youth work permit process that will impact students under the age of 18 seeking employment during the school year or summer months.

What Is Changing?
Beginning October 2, 2026, students will no longer obtain work permits through their high school or the P-CCS District Office. Instead, minors and employers will use the State of Michigan's free centralized online system to apply for and process youth work permits.

- New Online System: Students and employers must use LEO's Youth Employment Permit Portal (YEPP) to apply for and process work permits.
- Schools Will No Longer Issue Permits: P-CCS schools and the District Office will no longer issue or approve youth work permits.

How to Apply for a New Work Permit
Step 1: Create a YEPP Account
Students will enter information including:

- Personal and parent/guardian information
- School information, including school start and end times
- Employer information, including the employer's address and manager's name

Step 2: Employer Completes Their Section
YEPP will notify the employer, who will provide information about the student's job duties, wage, work hours, and shifts.

Step 3: State Review
The State of Michigan will review the information submitted by the student and employer. Schools will not need to approve the permit.

Step 4: Permit Approved
Once the permit is approved, the student and employer will be notified. The work permit will be active in YEPP.

For more information about Michigan's youth employment requirements or to access YEPP, visit the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Youth Employment Page.