



# MHS Newsletter

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## Events

- August 1:** Freshman Orientation, Seniors and International Students Schedule Pick-up, Picture Day, and Chromebook User Agreements
- August 2:** Freshman Orientation, Junior Schedule Pick-up, Picture Day, and Chromebook User Agreements
- August 3:** Freshman Orientation, Sophomore Students Schedule Pick-up, Picture Day, and Chromebook User Agreements
- August 17:** Chromebook pick-up for Juniors and Seniors
- August 21:** Chromebook pick-up for Freshmen and Sophomores
- September 1:** First Day for 9th grade, New Students, and International Students. Parents can attend activities fair with student.
- September 4:** *No School, Labor Day*
- September 5:** First Day for 10, 11, and 12 grade and Picture Make-Up Day
- September 6:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*
- September 8:** Picture Make-Up
- September 13:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*
- September 20:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*
- September 27:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*
- October 6:** Homecoming
- October 11:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*
- October 12:** Picture Retakes
- October 18:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*
- October 19-20:** *No School*
- October 25:** *HS Late Start at 8:40 a.m.*

## Welcome back to Menomonie High School for the 2017-2018 School Year!

Welcome Back Menomonie High School students and parents! I'm excited to start the 2017-2018 school year by making sure we provide schedules, take ID pictures, and start the transition to the school year for all students, especially our freshmen, new students, transfers, and international students. MHS Orientation and Schedule Pick-Up will be detailed below for August 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

### FRESHMEN ORIENTATION/SCHEDULE PICK-UP

The schedule pick-up days and times for all students will be posted on the website, in the Dunn County News, and in this newsletter. ***The 10th -12th grade schedule pick up and 9th grade orientation will be held at MHS on August 1-3.*** I strongly encourage students and families to follow the assigned pick-up schedule to pay fees, resolve any schedule questions with counselors, to have their school picture taken, and to electronically sign the required permission form including field trip permission, handbook verification agreement, Chromebook consent form, etc. This required permission form can only be done through Family Access. Online forms will be available starting Tuesday, August 1st. We will have computers available for those that haven't completed the online forms process. Incoming 9th graders have already signed up for an orientation day either August

1st, 2nd, or 3rd. If an incoming 9th grade family misplaced the information or never received it, please contact Linda Jolicoeur in the High School Guidance Office at 715-232-2992 or email her at [linda\\_jolicoeur@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:linda_jolicoeur@msd.k12.wi.us) and she will provide you with a date and time that works with your schedule.

The School District of the Menomonie Area will be providing Chromebook computers for all high school students to be used at school and home during the 2017-2018 school year as part of a 1:1 computer program called the 1:1 M-Powered Learning Initiative. New Chromebook computers will be distributed to students for use at home and at school on Thursday, August 17th for 11th and 12th graders and Monday, August 21st for 9th and 10th graders. Chromebook parent-student user agreements and optional insurance will be available to sign and payment during the August 1-3 Freshmen Orientation and Schedule Pickup.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST FOR FRESHMEN

***The first day of school is a freshmen only day at Menomonie High School on Friday, September 1st.*** Bus transportation will not be provided for this day only. Parents/Guardians of 9th grade students may drop off anytime after 7:30 a.m. where our MHS Link Crew will take over. Link Crew is a transition program

where upperclassmen and staff work with incoming 9th graders at the start of school and throughout the year to increase connectedness and comfort with the high school environment. We are excited about our 3rd year of this program and are appreciative of all of our staff and upperclassmen “Link Leaders” who have volunteered their time to help make MHS the best that we can be! 9th grade students will be taken around the building to open their lockers, see their teachers, walk their class schedule, and generally be introduced to the high school environment through activity and camaraderie. Lunch will be served around noon. We will end with all 9th graders and families invited to the commons from 2:25-3:30 pm to view all of the clubs, activities, and athletics available at MHS. This is a great opportunity to explore all that MHS has to offer. We have found that the more involved students are in school-related activities, the more likely students will feel connected to high school and have success.

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST FOR INTERNATIONAL/NEW STUDENTS**

International students and new students who are not 9th graders will report at 11:00 a.m., September 1st to the library to attend a brief program, have lunch around noon, open lockers, and check into their room locations. They are also invited to attend the activities fair at the end of the day from 2:25-3:30 p.m. where they can be accompanied by a parent. They will be able to view all of the clubs, activities, and athletics available at MHS.

I am open and available to answer questions or concerns from students and parents via email at [david\\_munoz@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:david_munoz@msd.k12.wi.us) or 715-232-5425.

***David Muñoz - Principal***

#### **Start-Up Information for 2017-2018 School Year**

**Schedules and Fee Payments:** All fees must be paid before picking up schedules. Fees can be paid online through Family Access or during the following dates:

August 1: Freshman Orientation—11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 2:30 pm, 4:00 pm

Seniors and International Students Schedule Pick-up —10:30 am to 5:00 pm

August 2: Freshman Orientation—8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm

Juniors Schedule Pick-up—7:30 am to 2:00 pm

August 3: Freshman Orientation—11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 2:30 pm, 4:00 pm

Sophomores Schedule Pick-up—10:30 am to 5:00 pm

**Orientation and Schedule Pick-Up will be at the Menomonie High School.** Any request for schedule changes must be completed before the start of school. Guidance counselors will assist with any schedule changes during the schedule pick-up times. ***Students will also have their pictures taken during these times. Seniors will need to have their picture taken for student IDs and it will not be in the yearbook.***

**Friday, September 1st:** The first day of school for 9th grade with drop off starting at 7:30 a.m. New students and international students should attend at 11:00 a.m. Parents are encouraged to attend the activities fair with their student from 2:25-3:30 p.m. Transportation will not be provided.

**Tuesday, September 5th:** The first full day for returning students that are in 10th, 11th, and 12th grade. Class starts at 7:40 a.m. The buses will run as usual.

**Bell Schedule:** Monday through Friday 7:40 a.m.—3:05 p.m. Bus routes and times are the same as last school year.

## MHS Newsletter is Going Green!

This will be our last paper version of our newsletter this year. We will continue to post it on the MHS website and email it out through Skylert provided your email is up to date through Family Access. If you would like to continue to receive a paper version of the newsletter, please contact the MHS Office at 715-232-2606 or email at [andrea\\_gores@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:andrea_gores@msd.k12.wi.us).



## Student Parking Passes

Students parking in the high school lot are required to purchase a \$10 permit for the year. Any students that park in the school lot without a permit will be ticketed by the Menomonie High School. Passes may be purchased during schedule pickup times. The following requirements apply:

- **All fees/fines must be paid in full**
- Valid Wisconsin driver's license
- Completed parking permit application that is signed by a parent (available on back page of the newsletter)
- \$10 to purchase the permit



## Picture Days

Student pictures will be taken during the Orientation Days on August 1, 2 and 3. Picture make-up day will be on Friday, September 8th. Picture retakes are scheduled for Thursday, October 12.

## MHS Homecoming October 6, 2018

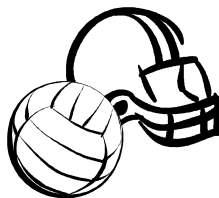
### All Activities Season Passes

The All Activities Season Passes will be available for sale at the Football Intrasquad Scrimmage on Monday, August 7th at 6:00 p.m. and in the Activities Office beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 9th. The cost is:

Family Passes—\$100

Dual Pass—\$50 (For adult & one guest)

Student Passes—\$20



## Fall Sports Meetings

**Sunday, July 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

for 10th-12th Grade Football

**Thursday, August 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

for Cheer, Girls & Boys Cross Country, 9th Grade Football, Boys Soccer, Girls Swim, Girls Tennis, Volleyball

Don't know if you need a physical? Look on the Health Info tab on **Family Access** for the most recent physical date.

Check the MHS website for more information on physicals and paperwork to be filled out. Paperwork and payment can be handed in before the meetings at 5:30 p.m.

## MHS Field House Job Openings

The MHS Field House is accepting applications for lifeguards. This position provides an excellent way for individuals interested in part-time employment with the MHS Field House to gain experience and requisite knowledge that could aid their future employment consideration.

The School District of the Menomonie Area will accept applications through the WECAN Employment System or pick up at the Field House Front Desk. If you have questions about these positions, please contact Kale Proksch at 715-232-2606 ext. 42138.

## MHS Coaching Openings

MHS is accepting applications for various assistant coaching positions. Please check WECAN Employment System for positions available. If you are interested, please contact Bart Boettcher at [bart\\_boettcher@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:bart_boettcher@msd.k12.wi.us).



## Attention Class of 2018 Seniors

The deadline for submitting your Senior pictures in the yearbook is Friday, October 13th. Photos will not be accepted after the deadline so please plan accordingly. Photos will be accepted in digital (preferred) or print formats. Please submit your picture to Ms. Oliver. If you would like your photo via email, please send it to [hs\\_yearbook@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:hs_yearbook@msd.k12.wi.us). If you would prefer, there will be a day in the fall where we can take pictures of individual students at the high school so they have a nice picture included in the yearbook. Photos do not need to be professionally taken but should meet the necessary guidelines sent to all seniors in the mail (mailings will be sent out in early August). If you have questions, feel free to contact Ms. Oliver through email or call (715) 232-2606 ext. 40152.



### Purchase Your Yearbook Online Now!

Reserve your copy of the 2018 Yearbook by going online. To purchase go to [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com). Buy now while the yearbooks only cost \$55 for a limited time. If you have questions, email [hs\\_yearbook@msd.k12.wi.us](mailto:hs_yearbook@msd.k12.wi.us). Parents and students, please share your pictures for the Yearbook 2018! Please use the free app "Replay it" from Jostens!

### Backpacks

Menomonie High School will be continuing the rule requiring backpacks be kept in lockers while students are in school. Backpacks can be brought into school to lockers and stored for the day. All students are assigned lockers for the purpose of storing jackets, backpacks and other personal items while they are in class. We saw a decrease in thefts and also a decrease in tardiness and truancy. This has freed up space in hallways and classrooms allowing for better wheelchair access and a less cluttered environment throughout the building.

### ELT (Extended Learning Time)

ELT will continue as our 30 minute resource block of time where students access teachers for assistance and enrichment.

### High School Late Starts

High school late starts will continue this year and school will begin at 8:40 a.m. on the Wednesdays as indicated on the high school calendar.

### Parent/Family Online Access

Online Family Access is available for all families in the district. To obtain a username and password, contact the district office at (715) 232-1642. Please, for security reasons, do NOT share your parent login with your child. Many forms typically completed on Orientation Day will be available beginning Tuesday, August 1. Go to [www.sdmaonline.com](http://www.sdmaonline.com) and click on the **Parent Info** link. If you need assistance completing the online forms, please visit your school's library media center on Orientation Day.

### Breakfast & Lunch Program

Breakfast will be served daily from 7:15—7:40 a.m. Students will still have two lunch periods during the school day.

Breakfast: \$1.60 per meal

Lunch: \$2.90 per meal



### Free and Reduced Lunch

Families who may be experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to apply for the free and reduced lunch program. Guidelines change and family circumstances change as well. Applications are available in the high school office, as well as the district office. Many times our families are struggling to make "ends meet" and if they are eligible for assistance, it could really help their family. In addition, students who meet free and reduced eligibility are often times eligible for other programs. However, if an application is not submitted, they cannot receive that service. To learn more about eligibility criteria or receive an application, contact the Food Service Office at 715-232-2606 ext. 42124.



## Notice of Public Health Outreach Services at Menomonie High School:

Dear Students, Parents, and Staff:

Hello! There are a variety of services that are offered at Menomonie High School to help promote student well-being and learning. Some of these services include school counseling, school psychology, school social work, and health services. Another service available to students is public health nursing adolescent outreach services. Public health nurses are available to meet with students individually or in a group setting. Public health nurses from Dunn County Health Department (DCHD) will provide prevention, education, health counseling, consultation and referrals for adolescent health issues. If you do not want your son/daughter to access these services at Menomonie High School please contact the health office at 715-232-2606 ext 40105.

Please contact Ramie McMahon, RN if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your time!

### Daily Announcements

Like to receive daily announcements and newsletters about upcoming events? You can have them emailed directly to you. Go to <http://menomonie.ss7.sharpschool.com/newsletter> and click Subscribe button in the upper right corner to enter your email address.

### Attendance Reminder

Good school attendance is one predicator of academic success. All Menomonie High School Students are required to be in attendance from 7:40 a.m. to 3:05 p.m. Additionally, students are reminded that they have a maximum of 10 school days that can be missed during the school year for personal illness, religious services, and family activities. If a student needs to attend an appointment during school hours, a note from that business office needs to be turned into the Attendance Office upon returning to school so that the absence does not count towards those 10 days. ***If your child will be absent or is leaving during the school day, please call the Attendance Office at (715) 232-2993.***



### Notes from the Nurse...

**Nut Allergies:** We have several students with allergies to nut products attending our high school. These allergies are potentially life-threatening. These students cannot eat or even touch peanuts and/or tree nuts or foods made with these products. MHS may serve products that are made with peanuts and/or tree nuts in the food service program. These products will be clearly labeled as containing peanuts or tree nuts. In addition to closely monitoring food labels to avoid exposure, it is important for everyone to wash hands before and after eating, not share food or eating utensils, and to make sure surfaces are clean and without peanut or tree nut residue. Please see the resources at the links below with more information on how to help keep people with food allergies safe.

<https://www.foodallergy.org/resources-for-schools/classroom>

<https://www.foodallergy.org/schools/cafeteria>

<https://www.foodallergy.org/be-a-pal>

<https://www.foodallergy.org/resources/teens>



**Immunizations:** State Law (252.04 Wis.) states the following are the minimum required immunizations for each age/grade level. These requirements can be waived only if a properly signed health, religious or personal conviction exemption is filed with the school. In order for your student to enter school, this information must be completed and on file prior to admission to school, or shortly thereafter. The requirements can be viewed at <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/p44021.pdf>

### Military Recruiter/Institutions of Higher Education Access to Student Information

Section 9528 of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires secondary schools to routinely release the name, address, and telephone number of students to military recruiters and/or institutions of higher education without prior paternal consent. Parents and students with adult status who choose not to have this information released must do so in writing by completing an "opt out" form by September 15th. Forms are available in the guidance office. If there are additional questions regarding this, please contact the guidance office at (715) 232-2992.



## Earn Money for Our School!

Turn your shopping receipts into donations for our school. Just download the Shoparoo app and select the school you want to receive the donation.

Earn an extra cash donation for our school when you submit your first receipt with the code HUSP4880 or go to the following link at <http://www.shoparoo.com/r/husp4880>

**Shop:** Shop for any product, at any store

**Snap:** Take a picture of your receipts

**Earn:** Shoparoo donates to your school



Where does the donation money come from? Their founders are former teachers and retail executives who have found a novel way of matching schools' need for financial support with major consumer brands' need for market research. When you use the Shoparoo app to raise money for your school, your receipt data along with any answers you provide to optional surveys is made anonymous and summarized in market research reports that brands purchase. All research data remains anonymous, and this enables them to give money back to schools!

## School Supplies at MHS

Often we receive calls asking what school supplies should be bought for a student entering the high school. This is a hard question to answer. Unlike elementary and middle school, high school is full of choices in terms of the classes students can take. Students may take elective classes in art, music, physical education, or any number of other areas. What we tell those that ask is that students will need notebooks and/or paper, folders/binders to keep organized, and writing utensils. Depending on the teacher and/or department, there may be additional items needed. Students taking lower level math classes will need a TI-30x graphing calculator. Those taking upper level math courses will need a TI-84x graphing calculator. Also, those students signed up for physical education will need tennis shoes for class (no skateboard shoes, please).



**We're here to help you! Know what office to talk to when you call.**

**Attendance Office - Martha Peabody - ext. 41001 or 715-232-2993**

Student will not be at school

Student is leaving school early—appointment

Student has a planned absence—vacation

Have a question about your student's attendance

**Nurse's Office - Melissa Kuhn - ext. 40105**

Student is sick and would like to leave school

Student is out ill and you would like to request homework from teachers

**Food Service - Julie Neubrand - ext. 42124**

Questions about lunch account

**Guidance Office - Linda Jolicoeur - ext. 40137 or 715-232-2992**

Have a question about your student's schedule

Need a copy of your student's grades

Requesting a transcript

**Athletics/Activities Office - Sheila Stori - ext. 41102**

You have a question about your student's activity fees or sports paperwork

Would like to purchase an Activities Pass

Want to know if a game has been canceled or what time/where a game is? Go to [www.bigriversconference.org](http://www.bigriversconference.org)

**Main Office - Andrea Gores - ext. 41002**

Have a question about your student's fees—tech print fee, parking, CPR, Water Safety, etc.

General information—date of homecoming, spring break, prom, graduation, last day of school, etc.



## MENOMONIE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The School District of the Menomonie Area is beginning the 1:1 M-Powered Learning Initiative at the start of the 2017-2018 school year. The Chromebook program will include students in grades 6-12. Each student will be assigned an individual district-owned Chromebook to use at school and at home for educational purposes.

In order for students to receive their Chromebooks -

**Parents/Guardians must:**

- Complete the District-Issued Device Insurance Acceptable or Waiver Form by August 10th.

***\*In order for students to pick up their device, the Insurance Acceptance or Waiver form must be on file. This form provides information about the optional insurance policy to protect you and the district.***

**Students must:**

- Attend an Information Session scheduled in August. Please see scheduled sessions below for grade-level details.
  - Juniors and Seniors Chromebook Pick Up Thursday, August 17th at one of the following times in the tiered lecture hall at MHS: 8:00 am - 9:30am - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
  - Freshmen and Sophomores Chromebook Pick Up Monday, August 21st at one of the following times in the tiered lecture hall at MHS: 8:00 am - 9:30am - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

During these sessions, there will be presentations on Chromebook Care, Acceptable Use, and Device Expectations.

This is an exciting time for the community, our students, teachers, and the school district. We are thrilled to be able to provide this level of access in order to reliably integrate technology tools to facilitate quality learning experiences. This initiative will also allow us to help engage students in critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity.

We also encourage parents to refer to our 1:1 M-Powered Learning Initiative website for more information: <http://tinyurl.com/sdmampower>.

Respectfully,

David Muñoz, Principal  
Menomonie High School

## Parking Permit Contract

Please read the following rules and regulations for parking at Menomonie High School. For the safety of all, it is critical that we follow all school and motor vehicle rules.

- You are expected to adhere to the school parking lot speed limit of 15 MPH.
- You are expected to lock your vehicle upon arrival at school and not to return to your vehicle until the end of the school day, unless you have received a pass from the main office.
- Failure to follow school rules, including but not limited to truancy, behavior, and attendance expectations may result in the revocation of my permit. No refund will be given if your permit is revoked.

Students failing to observe motor vehicle and parking lot regulations will be subject to a ticket which is issued by the Menomonie Police Department.

- The parking permit must be in full view at all times on the rearview mirror.
- If you switch vehicles, you must switch your permit to that vehicle.
- You must park in the spaces reserved for student parking. Do not park in visitor or sub parking spaces or the faculty lots.

**I have read, understand, and agree to the follow and uphold all parking lot rules and regulations.**

Please complete this form and return it to the High School Office with \$10 to get your permit.

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Student Name (Please Print)

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Driver's License Number

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Student Signature/Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature/Date

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Make/Model/Color/ Year of Vehicle

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License Plate Number

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**Office Use Only:**

Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Office Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_