



**MHS Family,**

On behalf of the staff at Medina High School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2019-20 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. It is our job as the adults in their lives to prepare them for life after high school. One way we can do that is allowing them to experience success and failure and how to overcome obstacles along the way. It is vital that we prepare the child for the path and not the path for the child. What I mean by this is we must allow them to grow and experience the ups and downs of life while we are still close by to pick them up and dust them off as they learn the skills necessary to be successful adults after high school.

The purpose of this monthly newsletter is to give you "inside" information that does not always make it home. My hope is you will find the information helpful as you guide your child through the school year. We are your partner in education and know that we are here to help in anyway possible.

Below is a little explanation of something we are choosing to focus on at MHS this year. You will see it on shirts, banners, wristbands and various other places. The students and staff will be engaged in conversations throughout the year on how best to control our responses to events to lead to better outcomes. Each Month I will share something related to the "R Factor" so that you can carry the conversation at home as well.

$$E + R = O$$

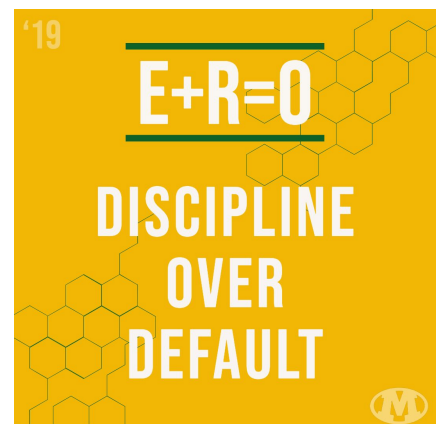
**Event + Response = Outcome**

*This equation teaches something very important about the way life works. We don't control the events in life, and we don't directly control the outcomes. But we always have control over how we choose to respond. How we respond means everything.*

*We call it the R Factor. Everyday you make R Factor decisions. You choose what actions you will take or not take in pursuit of your goals. You choose whether to give up or persevere through the inevitable obstacles you will experience. You choose how to interact with people at work and family at home. Every day you make decisions about how to respond. And how you respond makes all the difference. It is the factor that determines the quality of your life.*

Proud to be a Medina Bee!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hanson".



## Medina City Schools Names New Assistant Athletic Director

In August, the Board of Education approved Mason Harper as Assistant Athletic Director. He will work closely with Athletic Director, Todd Hodkey and will oversee the middle school athletic program while also working with the high school programs.



Mr. Harper brings a wealth of experience and has held various positions in the field of athletics, most recently as the Assistant Athletic Director at Lawrence Upper School and the Assistant Equipment Manager at Kent State University. He attended the University of Akron graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Sports Studies, Sports Management and is currently finishing his Master of Education in Athletic Administration from Endicott College in Beverly, MA.

We are extremely excited to welcome Mr. Harper to our school district and our community.

## Now Available!

Medina City Schools Food Service Department has agreed to be a pilot school for PaySchools to utilize our vending machines, and their software, to enable students to purchase snacks from some of our vending machines at the High School using their meal accounts. If a student does not have cash and the Café is closed, they will still be able to purchase snacks using their meal account number at these vending machines. All snacks in these machines meet the USDA Smart Snacks in Schools nutritional standards. The instructions on how to use the machines are located on the outside of the vending machines. If you have any questions, please contact Angie Sellars, Food Service & Child Nutrition Supervisor at [sellarsa@medinabees.org](mailto:sellarsa@medinabees.org).

## Optional Insurance for Student Chromebooks

Chromebooks have been distributed to all students attending classes at the high school. Students, parents/guardians are being offered an optional \$30.00 insurance to purchase for each school year per student.

This optional coverage will cover the following:

- If a student breaks or damages the Chromebook beyond repair, the student will be given a replacement Chromebook at no additional charge. This coverage provides the replaced Chromebook once per year. Additional insurance will not be offered once used during that school year. If it is found that the student purposely damaged or broke the device, insurance cannot be used during this incident.
- If a student breaks or damages the Chromebook and it can be repaired without cost, they will not lose their optional insurance coverage.
- If a student purchases optional insurance coverage, they will be able to use it one time (per school year) to replace or repair the device.
- This optional insurance does not cover lost or stolen devices. Students who lose their device will be charged the full replacement cost.
- Assigned power cord is covered by the optional insurance.
- Students, parents/guardians have until September 16th of this school year to waive the optional insurance. Students, parents/guardians will be assessed the \$30 insurance fee after the 16th. This fee will show up on the student's fee schedule. **If you wish to opt**

**out of the Chromebook insurance, please send an email to [balask@medinabees.org](mailto:balask@medinabees.org), expressing your intent to opt out on or before September 16, 2019.**

***\*\*Only Medina employed technology department employees should fix a damaged Chromebook. If someone other than a Medina technology department employee attempts to fix a damaged Chromebook or alter the Chromebook in any manner, all warranties and optional insurance will become void and the student becomes responsible for all charges related to fixing/replacing the Chromebook.\*\****

## **Blackboard**

Blackboard is a helpful communication tool for families. All students belong to the Student Organization in Blackboard. This is where students can find bell schedules, exam schedules, assignments, student bulletins/morning announcements, as well as other information posted throughout the school year. Seniors are also be assigned to the Class of 2020 Organization. Information regarding 2019-20 dates and events for seniors are posted in this organization.

## **You may not be aware of a growing problem facing many of our students--hunger.**



Currently, there are several hundred Medina High School students facing hunger and food insecurity on a daily basis. To combat this problem, the staff of MHS, along with the support of community members, have created a food program called "Feed The Bees". The goal of the program is to provide students in need with food during the day, while at the same time providing our most at-risk population with groceries to take home for the weekend and over school breaks. In response to this crisis, our faculty, staff, and administration has already donated over 1,000 granola bars and collected over \$1,000. We need help from the greater community to have a lasting impact.

Programs like this exist at some elementary schools in our district, but we would like to implement this at the middle and high school level. We cannot allow our students to go hungry. With the combined effort of Medina City Schools, local businesses, and various religious institutions, we can make a difference.

We are currently looking for donations of non-perishable items in non-breakable containers such as: peanut butter, jelly, canned soups, pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, instant oatmeal, cereal, fruit (canned or cups), tuna, macaroni & cheese, etc. We are also accepting donations of toiletries and feminine hygiene products. Cash donations and checks payable to Medina High School are always welcome. All donations can be sent or delivered to the Medina High School main office.

If you are able to help or have any questions please contact [feedthebees@medinabees.org](mailto:feedthebees@medinabees.org) or Principal Jeff Harrison at 330-636-3200 for more information or ways to support.

## **Homecoming!**

Student Council will be sponsoring Homecoming 2019 - Dancing Through the Decades. We will celebrate the week with many activities including selling spirit links with the proceeds being donated to charity. Spirit links will be on sale at lunch for ten cents each. Freshmen colors are yellow, sophomores are black, juniors are white and seniors are green. Who will create the longest spirit link and raise the most money? Winners will be announced at the pep rally! All Spirit Links money will



go towards the community garden and composting efforts. We are starting a composting program here at MHS to a Student Council Service Project.

The week will be marked by spirit days to have fun and create excitement as Homecoming Week rolls on! Get on board with showing your creative side:

**Monday, September 16:** '50s White T's, Jeans, Cardigans Day

**Tuesday, September 17:** '60s Tie-Dye

**Wednesday, September 18:** '80s Neon

**Thursday, September 19:** '90s Band T's and Flannels

**Friday, September 20:** Class Color Day

- Freshmen – yellow
- Sophomores – black
- Juniors – white
- Seniors - green

All hallways will be decorated around the theme of Dancing through the Decades. Decorating will take place on Sunday, September 15 from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

The Homecoming Queen will be announced at the Pep Rally on Friday, September 20, and crowned at the football game. There will be fireworks after the football game, thanks to the MHS Student Council.

The dance will take place at MHS on **Saturday, September 21, from 7:30-10 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 pm.**

Tickets are \$17 and will be sold online from

**September 6 through September 18**

There will be NO ticket sales after Thursday, September 19.

**All prior years school fees must have been paid by September 3 in order to be eligible to purchase an online ticket.**

**All seniors who have not turned in their proof of Meningitis vaccine will be unable to purchase a ticket online until the proof of immunization is turned in the main office or nurse's clinic.**

**All students who have not completed their Registration Gateway Back to School update will be unable to purchase a ticket online until the update is complete.**

### **Student Fees**

At the high school, there is a general fee of \$15 which covers the agenda, student ID and graduation costs. Full day Medina County Career students do not receive an MHS ID and therefore the fee is reduced to \$10. Course fees are outlined in the Registration Guide. Pay to Participate fees are assessed once the team rosters are complete.

Fee Bills for current year fees will be mailed after all fees have been added, generally mid-September. At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grading periods, report cards will be held in the main office until all fees have been paid. Students will receive a fee bill in lieu of their report card.

All fees must be paid in order to purchase dance tickets with the exception of the Homecoming Dance. For the Homecoming Dance, only the PRIOR YEAR fees need to be paid.

Fees can be paid to Mrs. Platz in the main office using a check (payable to Medina High School), cash or money order. Fees can be paid online via Payforit.net with your Visa, Mastercard or ACH check.

## **School Wide - Fall Testing Day - October 16, 2019**

Freshmen	PSAT 9
Sophomores	PSAT ( SAT pretest)
Juniors	PSAT/NMSQT          College Bound (SAT pretest AND National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) ASVAB, Career Path Assessment
Seniors	College Visit/Career Shadowing/College Applications

- Seniors will not attend school on this day. There is an attendance form that must be filled out and turned in to the attendance office. The form is posted in Guidance Blackboard.
- All Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors are required to attend school on the building-wide testing day. Normal attendance policy applies.
- Juniors may take either the PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) or ASVAB based on their future ambitions. Juniors are registered for the PSAT. Please notify your counselor if you would like to change to the ASVAB.
- Freshman, Sophomores and Juniors will be released approximately at 12:00 pm

## **2019-2020 Yearbooks**

It is with great pleasure to announce the kickoff of the 2019-2020 yearbook. Our title this year is "Life Is A Game, Play It Like A Bee". The theme will be centered around various games such as board, card, video, and arcade.

In order to make the yearbook possible there a couple of things to keep in mind:

Senior portrait pictures must be taken by Lifetouch on or before January 17, 2020. The yearbook only accepts Lifetouch photos. To set up a free appointment with Lifetouch, call 330-225-7666

It is best to order the yearbook earlier in the year than later. It is highly recommended to purchase the shipment of the book home so it is received during the summer of 2020. Any books not shipped home will not be distributed until school starts in the fall. (Please note this is a change from previous years)

- Back to School Campaign: Now - Sept. 27: Cost \$60.00 plus 4 free icons if personalization is purchased. Shipment and personalization extra.
- Fall Sale: Sept. 28 - Nov. 1: Cost \$60.00. Icons, shipment, and personalization extra.
- Winter Sale: Nov. 2 - Jan 31: Cost \$60.00. Icons, shipment, and personalization extra.
- Spring Sale: Feb 1 - June 1: Cost \$70.00 Icons, shipment, and personalization extra.

If you have any questions about the yearbook or pictures, please feel free to contact Heather Hascher, Yearbook Adviser at [hascherh@medinabees.org](mailto:hascherh@medinabees.org) or 330-636-3344.

## **Annual Junk Boat Float**

The MHS Junk Boat Float has been helping students raise environmental awareness of plastic waste problems, especially as waste enters aquatic ecosystems. This year's Junk Boat Float will be held at Forest Meadows Lake and pavilion on Monday, Sept. 30, 2019. Junk Boat Float teams have made a permanent healthy and waste reducing improvement to our high school, A.I. Root, Claggett, Waite,



Fenn, Garfield and the public restroom on the square with purchasing water bottle filling stations at drinking fountains. We have helped save over 100,000 plastic bottles!

[Click Here for the 2019 Junk Boat Float Information Packet](#)



### **Attention Seniors - Class of 2020**

**MENINGITIS VACCINE REQUIREMENT FOR SENIORS** - In 2017, the Ohio Department of Health issued new Tdap and Meningitis vaccine requirements for students entering 7th and 12th grades. All seniors must provide proof of receiving the required vaccine before the start of the 2019-2020 school year. Immunization forms should be turned in at the main office.

### **Start With Hello Week: September 23–27, 2019**

#### **A Youth Violence Prevention Program by Sandy Hook Promise**



Social isolation is the overwhelming feeling of being left out, lonely or treated like you are invisible. It is a growing epidemic in the United States and within our schools. Excessive feelings of isolation can be associated with violent and suicidal behavior. In fact, one study reports that chronic loneliness increases our risk of an early death by 14%. Furthermore, young people who are isolated can become victims of bullying, violence and/or depression. As a result, many further pull away from society, struggle with learning and social development and/or choose to hurt themselves or others. Start With Hello teaches students, grades 2-12, the skills they need to reach out to and include those who may be

dealing with chronic social isolation and create a culture of inclusion and connectedness within their school or youth organization.

During the week of September 23–27, hundreds of schools and youth organizations from across the United States will participate in Sandy Hook Promise’s fourth annual Start With Hello Week. It brings attention to the growing epidemic of social isolation in our schools and communities and empowers young people to create a culture of inclusion and connectedness within their school or youth organization. Start With Hello Week raises awareness and educates students and the community through Start With Hello trainings, advertising, activities, public proclamations, media events, student contests, and school awards.

### **Positive Coaching Alliance**

On August 15<sup>th</sup>, the Medina Bees Varsity, JV and freshman football squads took part in a Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) workshop entitled “Making Teammates Better”. PCA-Cleveland is a partner

with the Medina Athletic Boosters to help support and educate our Coaches, Student-Athletes and Parents in the best way to help create “Better Athletes, Better People”.

The “Making Teammates Better” team workshop centered around self-improvement, finding motivation, and helping teammates improve both on and off the field. With the lesson promoting a strong focus on leadership, participants were able to be involved in hands-on exercises to develop their skills to support, motivate, and guide their teammates to overcoming difficult situations. Emphasizing positive intentions and the core philosophies of leadership showed the players a deeper understanding of how all team members can contribute as a leader through the “Know Who You Are, Be a Servant Leader, and Honor the Game” lesson from presenter and Coach Freeman Blade.

After the event, the football players stated common themes among the survey results :

- Great opportunity for the team
- It was inspirational and we should continue these
- Motivating presenter and presentation

The workshop was sponsored by Medina Athletic Boosters along with the generous support of Medina Excavating. There will be more workshops for our student-athletes during the 2019-20 school year.

### **Joyce B. Ebner Volunteer Tutoring Center**

The Volunteer Tutoring Program provides tutoring help to high school and middle school students who have the desire to improve in any subject. Students requesting a tutor and volunteers are matched by the Volunteer Tutoring Program coordinator, Carolyn Grenfell, and work together before, during, or after school. During the 2018-19 school year there were over 200 volunteer tutors and 500 tutor/student matches. Applications for tutoring help or to be a volunteer tutor are available from Mrs. Grenfell in room 1300 by the Media Center.

### **Medina High School JOG Program**

Is your son or daughter looking for help in career development, leadership development, resume building, job searching, job shadowing, applying and interviewing, post secondary education options, soft skills and much, much more? You are in luck! MHS offers the Jobs for Ohio's Graduates (JOG) program right here in the

building during the school day. JOG and its parent affiliation Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) has assisted thousands of youth transitioning from high school to post secondary education and training and/or into the workforce. JAG delivers consistent, compelling results – helping young people stay in school through graduation, assist with postsecondary education exploration and assist with transitioning into quality entry-level jobs leading to career advancement opportunities. Eligibility for the Medina High School JOG program is limited to Juniors and Seniors and there is limited space for the 2019-2020 roster. For more information or questions, please contact Mr. Jarrod Wenger at [330-696-3269](tel:330-696-3269) or [wengerj@medinabees.org](mailto:wengerj@medinabees.org)



### **Graduation Cap/Gown/Announcement Ordering**



Jostens will be in the Senior Commons through all the lunch periods assisting seniors with their orders for graduation announcements, caps and gowns, and other graduation items on September 18, 2019 (A-L) and September 19, 2019 (M-Z). Checks should be made payable to Jostens. Jostens will also be at MCCC on a date to be announced.



## Medina Fest

Four students completed "Plein Air" acrylic paintings during the Medina Fest on the square on Saturday, August 24. Their completed paintings will be on display through November, at which time they will be auctioned off with the ART 1.11 paintings from January 11, 2019. The students who participated are Allison Sartain, Abigayle Smith, Elise Milburn and Makenna Byrne.



## All Students Must Have a Parking Pass

All students are required to have a parking pass in order to park in the school lots. Students may park in Lots B, C, E and F with a pass. Students *are not* to park in the lots of any of the area buildings including the rec center parking lot. Parking passes can be purchased daily at the Hub. Passes cost \$40. The required paperwork can be found on the high school website. There will be regular sweeps of the parking lots to check for parking passes. Cars found without a pass will get a warning sticker with directions on what to do. If there is no parking pass during the next sweep, the car will be booted. Please note there will be a \$ 20.00 fee assessed if we boot a car. We ask for parent support by making sure your student who is driving to school is purchasing a parking pass.

## Seniors Paint Parking Lot Spots

Two days this summer Medina High School seniors painted their own parking spots, spending five hours each day creating their masterpieces. The lot is right behind the visitor football stands. Last spring interested students submitted sketches and paid the normal \$40 parking pass fee for the year, and an additional \$20 to donate to a local charity. 42 seniors took the challenge and the results are amazing! The students voted that their money would be given to SPCA of Medina. Student Council advisors Laura Calaiacovo, Marcie Komar, and Justin Brantner, along with MHS teachers Bobbie Foy and Mike O'Brien organized the event. Be sure to stop by to see the talented students' art work!





## **FAFSA - Class of 2020 - 7 Things You Need Before You Fill Out The FAFSA FORM**

If you need financial aid to help you pay for college, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. The 2020-2021 FAFSA form will be made available as of Oct. 1, 2019. You should fill it out as soon as possible on the official government site, [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov).

It'll be easier to complete the FAFSA form if you gather what you need ahead of time. Below are 7 items you'll need to find before Oct 1:

1. Your FSA ID
2. Your Social Security number
3. Your driver's license number
4. Your 2017 tax records
5. Records of your untaxed income
6. Records of your assets (money)
7. List of school(s) you are interested in attending

## **College 102 and Senior Seminars**

Counselors will be presenting College 102 for all seniors on 9/4/19 - 9/6/19 in lecture room 22216 most periods of the day. This seminar will provide important information about college application/admissions and financial aid. Have your student stop in to review the process. The powerpoint presentation is linked to the counselor's Blackboard under College and Career for parents to view.

Beginning the week of September 10 school counselors host Senior Seminar each Tuesday in room 2216. This is an opportunity for senior students to stop in the open lab for assistance on a variety of topics. Counselors will be able to help on whatever section of the next phase the student is at whether it be searching for a college major, applying for an apprenticeship or submitting a CommonApp! Topics to think about are: Personality Assessments, Career Connections, Major Matching, Big Future College selection, Ohio Means Jobs Career Hunt, Apprenticeship Information, College Application Help, Parchment Account (Transcript Request), Common App Help, FAFSA, Ohio Seal of Readiness Completion, College Essay proofing, Student Brag Sheets, Teacher Recommendations, Counselor Recommendation, Scholarship Search

## **Attention Juniors and Seniors!**

There are a number of colleges that will be visiting MHS to discuss their programs and answer any questions. This is a unique opportunity to meet college admissions reps, ask questions, and get a feel for each college. Please take advantage of these visits.

To view and sign up for visits with reps, go to the counseling link on Blackboard. Then, click on College and Career on the left. The list of schools and an online signup sheet are under the College Visitation Days link. You may also come to white guidance for a pass!!

Need help with your campus visits this fall? Check out [this link](#) from the College Board.

## **Planning a Move?**

If you currently reside in the Medina City School District and have recently moved, or plan to move to a new address within the district, you will need to provide proof of residency to the Medina City School District Registration Office. One of the following documents will be accepted as proof of residency: current utility bill, mortgage contract, purchase contract, lease agreement, insurance statement on the

dwelling, or a letter from your builder indicating a possession date within 90 days of enrollment in the district. If you are unable to provide any of the approved documents, please complete the Residency Affidavit, have it notarized, and submit to the Registration Office. If you are moving out of the district during the school year, please notify the guidance secretaries so that the withdrawal process can begin. Please be certain to promptly register in your new school district and complete a records request so that we may release educational records to the new school.

### **Did you know?**

Mail being sent home to parents is usually addressed "To the Parent of:" and the student's name. Sometimes that mail is returned to us by the post office because the child's last name is different than the parent's last name, and the post office says that is undeliverable as addressed. This is especially true if you live in an apartment. By the time all of this happens, several weeks can have passed. If this applies to you, please make sure to notify the post office of all last names that mail may be addressed to for delivery. Your help is appreciated.

### **Athletics and Performing Arts Tickets**

Medina event tickets are conveniently available for purchase online through TicketRoar. Online purchases benefits include avoid long ticket purchase lines at game time, no need to remember to bring cash for tickets to the game, quickly and easily access your ticket one of two ways. 1) Enter using our mobile app on your phone 2) Print your tickets at home

How to purchase tickets:

- Click on the event you would like to attend
- Click the green Tickets tab and select the number of tickets you would like to purchase
- Enter your information – this will also be your Eventbrite account information
- You will receive an email confirmation prompting you to either print tickets at home or use the mobile app
- Use this paper ticket or mobile ticket at the game!

[medinaoh-ticketroar.eventbrite.com](http://medinaoh-ticketroar.eventbrite.com)

### **Morning Announcements**

Morning announcements can be viewed on YouTube at [MHSTV Morning Announcements](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

And coming soon, daily Student Bulletins can be viewed at <https://www.medinabees.org/domain/372>



### **Attendance Office**

Linda Florian (A-K)  
330-636-3208  
florianl@medinabees.org

Diane Boccio (L-Z)  
330-636-3206  
bocciod@medinabees.org

Call-Off Line  
330-636-3207 - *Voicemail available 24 hours a day*  
Fax: 330-636-3802 - Attn: Attendance Office

### Reporting Student Absences

- If a student will be missing school, a parent needs to call the Attendance line. The parent will need to spell the student's last name, give his/her school ID#, and the reason that he/she is absent.
- If a parent does not call, the student will be marked "unexcused absent" and an automated call will be generated at 10:30 a.m. each morning.
- If a student is late because of an orthodontist, doctor, dentist, court appointments, etc., the absence will be excused if the student brings in a school excuse from the doctor, dentist, etc. to the Attendance Office.

### If a Student Becomes Ill in School

He/she needs to go to the closest neighborhood office or clinic with a pass from his/her teacher. The neighborhood secretary or the nurse will call the parents for permission for the student to leave school. If the parent gives permission for the student to leave, the secretary will give the student a pass that **MUST** be brought to the Attendance Office. The person picking up the student, **MUST** come in to sign the student out in the book at the front desk of the main office.

**STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE USING THEIR CELL PHONE TO CALL PARENTS DIRECTLY TO GO HOME ILL - An MHS employee must talk to the parent before a child can be released.**

### Tardiness to School

Oversleeping, car trouble, power failures, traffic problems, frozen car locks are all unexcused tardies. A note or call from a parent to the Attendance Office regarding the reason is always appreciated and will be noted for your student's records. A Principal or his/her designee shall make the final determination between excused or unexcused tardy if necessary.

As the student accumulates tardies to school, the following consequences may result:

- 4 tardies ~ One (1) ASD
- 8 tardies ~ (2) ASDs
- 12 tardies ~ 2 hour Saturday school and notification
- 16 tardies ~ 4 hour Saturday school and notification

### Leaving Early

Parents need to send in a note requesting that the student leave early for court, an orthodontist appointment, doctor's appointment, etc. The note needs the date, reason for the absence, and the time that the student is to leave school. The parent does not have to come in to sign out the student. If a parent calls instead of sending a written note, the parent will need to come into the main office to sign out the student at the front desk. Parents need to realize that it will take time to find the student, especially if the student is in a gym class or at lunch.

## Planned Absences

The student needs to tell his/her teachers about the absence and make arrangements to make up the work. The parent needs to call the attendance line in advance and give the dates and reason the student will be missing school, such as vacation, surgery, etc.

## Vacations

Ohio law does not specifically allow vacation travel to be considered an excused absence from school. In situations that are essentially unavoidable, schools are permitted to grant excused absences in order to travel. Medina City Schools allows up to 5 excused vacation days per year.

A Request for Vacation Travel is required to be filled out and turned into the Attendance Office well in advance of the intended absence. The form can be found under Forms on the MCS website, on the MHS website, on Blackboard under the Forms tab in the MHS Student Organization and this link.

[Request for Vacation Travel Form](#)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** If a student will miss more than approximately 65 hours (10 days) due to a vacation, parents/guardians are required to un-enroll their student from the Medina City Schools and re-enroll them upon return from vacation. This is done by contacting the Office of Registration at 330-636-3100. Questions concerning this procedure may be directed to Dr. Kristine Quallich, Asst. Superintendent, at 330-636-3092.

## **Medications**

All medications must be delivered by an ADULT ONLY to the SCHOOL NURSE. The medication must be in a new, unopened container. Students must never possess any type of medication without documentation from a physician allowing him/her to do so. Only school health personnel are permitted to receive and log medications. Clinic hours are 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday when school is in session.

## **First Semester 2019 School Year Important Dates**

September 5	Class Ring Orders, A-L, Main Cafeteria during Lunches
September 6	Class Ring Orders, M-Z, Main Cafeteria during Lunches
September 14	Medina Musical Bees Band Show, 7:00 pm, Ken Dukes
September 16-20	Homecoming Spirit Week
September 18	Graduation Orders: A-L, Senior Commons during Lunches
September 19	Graduation Orders: M-Z, Senior Commons during Lunches
September 20	Homecoming Parade & Football Game
September 21	Homecoming Dance, 7:00 - 10:00 pm, Main Gym
September 23-27	Start with Hello Week
September 30	Junk Boat Float
October 10	MHS Choirs Concert - 7:00 pm, PAC
October 11	In-service Day - No Classes
October 16	Fall PSAT Testing Day
October 17	Fall Orchestra Preview Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
October 18	End of 1st Nine Weeks
October 21	First Day of 2nd Nine Weeks
October 23	Picture Retake Day
October 24	Parent/Teacher Conferences, Times T.B.D.
October 30	Parent/Teacher Conferences, Times T.B.D.
October 27	Encore Showstoppers, 5:00 pm, PAC
October 29	VOFT Blood Drive



November 8-9	MHS Drama Club Fall Underclass Play
November 14	Family First Night
November 20	Poetry Out Loud, 2:30 - 5:00 pm, PAC Studio Theater
November 26	Early Release
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
December 5	MHS Choirs Holiday Concert
December 10	MHS Holiday Orchestra Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
December 12	MHS Holiday Band Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
December 17-19	1st Semester Exams
December 19	Early Release/End of 2nd Nine Week
December 20-Jan 3	Winter Break
January 6, 2020	First Day of Second Semester

<https://www.medinabees.org>, click on Our Schools, click on Medina High School

### **Important Senior Dates - Class of 2020**

September 12	Homecoming Attendant Assembly and Senior Class Meeting
September 18 (A - L)	Order Graduation Supplies, Caps/Gowns/Announcements – Lunch
September 19 (M - Z)	Periods, Senior Commons, Checks payable to Jostens
September 20	Homecoming Pep Assembly, Parade and Game
September 21	Homecoming Dance
October 4	Senior Panoramic Picture, MHS Gym, 7:30am - Checks payable to Lifetouch
October 16	College Visits/Applications/Shadowing
October 24	Parent/Teacher Conferences, Times T.B.D.
October 30	Parent/Teacher Conferences, Times T.B.D.
December 17, 18, 19	First Semester Exams / End of First Semester
January 17	Deadline for senior photos to be taken at Prestige for yearbook
February 1 to Feb 24	Universal Scholarship Application Available on Blackboard
February 8	Winter Formal Dance, MHS Gym, 7:30 to 10:00 pm
March 12	Parent/Teacher Conferences, Times T.B.D.
May 8-9	Showtime, PAC, May 8 – 7:30 pm, May 9 – 2:00 pm & 7:30 pm
May 11-14	Senior Exams – Exams will be given during a normal school day.
May 14	Senior Sunset, MHS Football Stadium, 7:00 p.m. to sunset
May 15	Senior Exam Make-up Day
May 19	Prom at Quaker Station in Akron, After Prom activities at MHS
May 20	Senior Awards Assembly, PAC, 7:00 pm
May 21	MCCC Awards Assembly, MHS Gym, 7:30 pm
	Mandatory Graduation practice for All MHS and MHS-MCCC Seniors
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 7:45 to 8:15 Sign In and Continental Breakfast</li> <li>▪ 8:15 Sharp - Practice Begins</li> </ul>
May 21	Baccalaureate, Holy Martyrs, 3100 Weymouth Rd, 7:00 pm
Saturday, May 23, 2020	Commencement for all MHS and MHS-MCCC seniors, James A. Rhodes Arena, University of Akron, 1:00 pm



**Show Your Spirit and Your Pride**

**Medina City Schools  
SPIRIT NIGHT**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

**@ KEN DUKES STADIUM**

*(Located at the lower parking lot on the west side of Medina High School)*

*(Rain location: Medina High School Gymnasium)*

**Tailgate Party 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.**

*Bratwurst & Hot Dog Dinners*

Pre-order forms are available at all school district buildings or by calling 330.636.3012.



**Welcome  
to our  
newest Bees  
CLASS OF  
2032**

**Medina  
'Battling  
Bees'**

**-VS.-**

**Wadsworth  
'Grizzlies'**

**7:00 p.m Kickoff!**

**PROUD TO BE A MEDINA BEE!**



CELEBRATING PRIDE!

SHOW YOUR  
MEDINA BEE  
PRIDE!

PRIDE WEEK

SEPTEMBER 16  
— THROUGH —  
SEPTEMBER 20



20  
19

SHOW YOUR  
PRIDE BY  
PUTTING OUT  
YOUR GREEN  
AND WHITE  
RIBBON  
AND PRIDE  
SIGNS!



HOME  
COMING  
NIGHT!

FRIDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 20  
HOMECOMING  
PARADE

BEGINNING AT  
GARFIELD  
AT

6 P.M.

MEDINA  
BATTLING  
BEES  
VS

EUCLID  
PANTHERS

7:30 P.M.  
KICKOFF!





# Parent EdCamp 2019-2020

## Mark Your Calendars for Parent EdCamp 2019-2020

You are cordially invited to Medina City Schools Parent EdCamp 2019-2020. This year, there are three separate informational camps. In each camp, you will have the opportunity to choose from up to three informational sessions each lasting 25 minutes with five minutes allotted to move around to the next session.

**September 25, 2019**

**Technology Camp**

**Medina High School**

**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
1-1 Initiative: What does this mean for my child in grades 2-12?	Social Media: What are the hot topics surrounding the apps kids are on?	Student Privacy: How will Medina City School keep my child safe?	What's new in educational technology?

**January 22, 2020**

**College and Career Camp**

**Medina High School**

**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
\$\$\$ and Sense: A Look at College Financial Aid	Test Prep and College Entrance Exams	Career Readiness in the 21st Century	Volunteer Opportunities (Grades 6-12)

**April 22, 2020**

**Innovation EdCamp**

**Claggett Middle School**

**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
Wonderous Wednesdays: What are our elementary students doing with inquiry-based learning	Project Lead the Way: Learning all about our engineering, computer, and new Bio Medical course at the middle school and high school level	Fun for Everyone: Makerspace: Come learn and play in the Makerspace

**When BIG YELLOW STOPS!!!**



**Everyone STOPS!!!**