

## Medina High School Families:

Thank you for your support and dedication to Medina City Schools with the passage of our school levy. This is a significant achievement for our students, educators and community as a whole. Thank you to everyone who has been helping us along the way.

The passage of this levy will help us maintain programming, resources, and high-quality education for our students. We are grateful for everyone's support and collaboration and look forward to what's to come for Medina City Schools.

In partnership,

Elisa Tedona, Ph.D.

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MHS Principal

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#### Please check the MHS website for all the latest information!

## www.medinabees.org Click on Our Schools select Medina High School

#### November Students of the Month



Monica Horschler will catch your attention with her academic excellence, positive attitude and creative mindset. Her enthusiasm for being present in the moment is contagious. Monica's leadership skills are balanced with patience and empathy. Her class schedule has consisted of College Credit Plus, Advanced Placement, and Honors courses. Monica has earned the MHS Academic Distinction Award Summa Cum Laude her junior, sophomore and freshman years. Monica is a member of the MHS National Honor Society, HUDDLE, Copresident of the Civil Discourse Club, Outreach Coordinator for the American Sign Language Club, and a four year member of the Theater/Drama Club, currently serving as Sound Crew Lead for the Fall Play, Harry Potter and the Cursed Child. She is a baritone line leader for the Medina Musical Bees. Monica plays the euphonium in Concert Band and is a Brass Representative. Monica has been a Girl Scout for the past 13 years. She has been a Program Aid since 6th grade, planning and

running sessions for Girl Scouts of Northeast Ohio Highland Day Camp. Monica has volunteered in the Joyce B. Ebner Tutoring Center as a peer tutor. Monica plans on attending college to double major in psychology and sound design. Monica is the daughter of Richard and Leslie Horschler.



Wyatt McRitchie is respectful, outgoing, and has an enthusiastic attitude toward learning. He is a great communicator and group leader, accepting of all with a kindness and courteous humility. He sets the example each and every day as one of Medina's best. Wyatt's class schedule has consisted of Advanced Placement, Honors, and College Credit Plus courses. He has earned the MHS Academic Distinction Award Summa Cum Laude his junior, sophomore, and freshman years. Wyatt is a member of National Honor Society, HUDDLE, Fellowship of Christian Students, Outdoors Club, and Ohio Math League. He has played the trombone in the MHS Concert Band for the past three years. He is a member of the MHS Cross Country Team and of the MHS Varsity Tennis Team. Wyatt volunteers regularly at his church during the worship services. Wyatt works at Easy Graphics, a technology installation company. After graduation, he plans on attending college majoring in economics and minoring in political science. Wyatt is the

son of Dale and Kristin McRitchie.

## Medina County Career Center October Student of the Month



Mackenzie Laps, (Medina High School) has been selected by a panel of her peers as the Medina County Kiwanis October Student of the Month for MCCC. Mackenzie is Co-President of the Teaching Professions class and President of the MCCC Student Leadership Council. In addition to participating in many volunteer activities at her home school and at the Career Center, she has earned numerous awards including the Star Student Award, Al Innovator Challenge Award, Gold (State) and Bronze (National) medals at Educators Rising competitions, and has received the Academic Distinction Award, Staff Choice Award and National Society of High School Scholars Award. The daughter of Jill Eisenman and Kirk Laps, Mackenzie plans to become an EMT and flight paramedic. Congratulations, Mackenzie!

## Academic Recognition Ceremony

Started in 2019, the MHS Academic Recognition Ceremony, recognizing students who have achieved a 4.00 or higher cumulative GPA from the prior school year. To date, 1,735 students qualified for this recognition, with 256 invited to an in person ceremony on October 24, 2024. This year, 151 students earned Magna Cum Laude, 4.00 to 4.299 and 105 students earned a Summa Cum Laude certificate of distinction for 4.30 and above. Congratulations to all!

#### Governor's Merit Scholarship

Governor's Merit Scholarship was established with the class of 2024 to recognize the hard work, dedication, and accomplishments of Ohio's top-performing high school seniors and to encourage them to remain in Ohio for their postsecondary education. The scholarship provides up to \$5,000 per year for four years of full-time education at a public or private, nonprofit college or university in Ohio. The scholarship can cover tuition, fees, and other educational expenses, such as room and board, books, and equipment.

Medina City Schools has been granted 25 Governor's Merit Scholarships for the class of 2025, 24 at Medina High School and 1 at Evolve Academy. Individual award winners represent the top 5% of their class based on courses and grades earned in the courses. Students and parents were notified via email from Governor DeWine in late October.

Congratulations to these hard-working individuals and thank you for representing Medina City Schools in such grand fashion.

#### Morning Announcements



Daily Student Bulletins are posted on the MHS website, <a href="https://www.medinabees.org/domain/372">https://www.medinabees.org/domain/372</a>

Morning Announcements can be viewed on YouTube at MHSTV Morning Announcements

## Homecoming 2024

Student Council would like to thank everyone who made Homecoming 2024: Traveling Coast to Coast a success! From the Thursday parade, pep rally, game, and fireworks to the dance, we could not do it without all of our amazing volunteers.

Congratulations to the court members Ella Bohmer, Hayden Henry, Anna Holthouse and Lauren Rudd, and to the **2024 Homecoming Queen, Hannah Fox.** The students enjoyed participating in spirit days all week and the juniors won the hallway decorating contest with their city of Honolulu and seniors took second place with Hollywood/LA. The sophomores won spirit links and donated the most money to the Red Cross for disaster relief. Great job to all! Keep up that school spirit!

#### Homecoming Court



## Homecoming Candidates



Homecoming Hallways

#### Seniors



#### Juniors



Sophomores Freshmen





Powderpuff Football Game



The Crowning Moment



## MHS Fall Play - "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child"

MHS Drama Club will be presenting its first show of the year, Harry Potter and the Cursed Child (High School Edition) on Friday, November 15 and Saturday, November 16 @ 7:00 pm and Sunday, November 17 @ 2 pm on the MHS Middle Stage.

This captivating play, based on the acclaimed Broadway production, continues the beloved saga of the Harry Potter series. It focuses on the next generation, particularly the children of Harry Potter and Draco Malfoy—Albus Potter and Scorpius Malfoy. The run time of this production is approximately 2 hours and 15 minutes, including intermission.

The cast includes: Albus Potter: Matthew Hetsler, Scorpius Malfoy: Lilian Kearns, Harry Potter: Cain Hoover, Draco Malfoy: Mason Cooper, Ron Weasley: Colin Graham, Hermione Granger: Georgia Burtnett, Ginny Weasley: Reese Goldmeier, Rose Granger-Weasley: Katie Gerber, Delphi Diggory: Mathilda Silahi, Moaning Myrtle: Max Robbins,



Professor McGonnagal: Kyra Nemec, Dolores Umbridge: Maya Becker, Professor Snape: Mitchell Rittmaier, Albus Dumbledore: Mitchell Rittmaier, Amos Diggory: Via Obermeier, Cedric Diggory: Max Robbins, James Potter: Lukas Ziska, Lily Potter (child): Charlotte Barnier, Young Hermione: Madison Fox, Trolley Witch: Maya Becker, Polly Chapman: Kylie Kamp, Karl Jenkins: Celeste Clausing, Craig Bowker: Payton Petrey, Yann Fredericks: Paige Kupec, Madam Hooch/Bathilda Bagshot: Andrea Tahajod, Ludo Bagman: Via Obermeier, Station Master: Paige Kupec, Magic Books: Mitchell Rittmaier, Maya Becker, and Sorting Hat: Mitchell Rittmaier

This production also features talented students as King's Cross Commuters, Hogwarts Students, Old Wizards, Dementors, and Godric's Hollow Residents: Bella Rogers, Brigid Weber, Ava Pesata, Cayla Rocha, Callie Rocha, Madison Fox, Renee Tomacheski, Isaac Brown, Veronika Janciova, Maddie Amburgy, Aurora Bican, Payton Petrey, and Ava Campbell.

## Annual Parade of Lights

We will once again participate in the Annual Parade of Lights on Saturday, November 23. We invite students, staff, parents, guardians, alumni, and their families to join in riding the festively decorated bus. The parade begins at Medina High School at 5:30 PM as it makes its way around the Square. If you are interested in participating, please complete this form by Wednesday, November 20, 2024. Please plan to arrive at the C Lot by the school bus by 5:00 PM. Please try to park at the Board of Education office, as parking will be limited at the high school.

#### LINK Crew Conference

Medina High School LINK Crew had the honor of hosting the LINK Leadership conference on October 15th at MHS. LINK crew is part of a national program where upperclassmen leaders are trained to teach and guide 9th grade students to discover what it takes to be successful during the transition to high school and help facilitate that success throughout the year. With almost 300 students and 40 staff from 13 schools, it was an exciting and empowering day. Our Medina High School student leaders welcomed and demonstrated their skills, leading activities as the other schools arrived. Students were all smiles as they participated in team-building activities while building relationships with new and current peers. The day included leadership advice and coaching from a nationally recognized speaker, Kevin Ozar. They will take these new skills and knowledge back to their respective schools to make an even larger impact not only on the school, but also on the neighboring community and beyond. The staff members had opportunities to collaborate and share ideas to help our LINK programs grow and thrive. We are incredibly lucky and grateful to have these opportunities within the Medina City School District. It's amazing what our students can do when given the tools and training to succeed. Thank you to everyone who helped with the conference and supported, and continue to support, our students.









#### Cocoa, Cookies & Cram

Freshman students, please join NHS members as you prepare for high school exams!

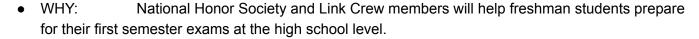
• WHO: 9<sup>th</sup> grade students

WHAT: Study help for semester exams

WHEN: Tuesday, December 10 - 2:30-4:00 pm

Wednesday, December 11 - 2:30-4:00 pm

WHERE: Main Cafeteria



 HOW: Freshman students are encouraged to attend one or both sessions. The cafeteria will be divided into academic sections for students to work one-on-one or in small groups organizing, preparing and reviewing exam concepts. Freshman students are to bring their study materials for the NHS and Link Crew members to use in the study session. Help will be available for the following courses:

Algebra I & II Geometry
American Sign Language I Latin I

Biology Physical Science

French 1 Spanish 1 & Spanish II

Freshman Health World History

Freshman Language Arts

## Student Shared Google Drive - MHS-Student

MHS uses a shared Google Drive called MHS-Student to post student club information, bell schedules, forms and all student related pertinent information. To access, open google drive, log in <u>with your</u> student medinabees account, click on Shared Drives, and click on MHS-Student.

## ProgressBook StudentAcces

Students can check grades in ProgressBook on their Chromebook by going to the Medina Quick Links tab and clicking "Grades in ProgressBook". They will then need to select Medina City Schools and choose "Students Sign-in with Google." Once signed in, students can click on grades in the left-hand column. Access to all students' classes and grades are available on the main screen.

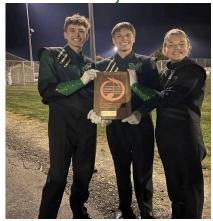
## ProgressBook Information

Parents will be using ProgressBook to check student grades for the 2024- 2025 School Year. ProgressBook can be accessed from the Medina City Schools Website

ProgressBook Online Grade Book Instructions - Parent Account



Medina Marching Musical Bees Earn Superior Rating at State Finals









On Saturday, October 26, Medina's historic Square was alive with excitement as the Medina High School Musical Bees rode through town en route to the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) State Marching Band Finals at Hilliard Davidson High School in Hilliard, Ohio. Cheering parents and community members lined the streets, showing their support and pride for the band.

The 205-member band achieved Superior ratings in all categories from each of the seven judges, marking their 22nd consecutive year with this top honor in Class AA. Their path to States was secured with a Superior rating at the University of Akron's Zips Invitational on September 21, followed by impressive performances at local competitions in Revere, North Canton Hoover, and Brunswick.

This year's show, *Reviving Roaring Rhythms*, celebrated classic jazz with selections like Scott Joplin's *The Entertainer* (1902), *Tiger Rag* by the Original Dixieland Jazz Band (1917), Irving Berlin's *Blue Skies* (1926), Cole Porter's *Let's Misbehave* (1927), Joe King Oliver's *West End Blues* (1928), Spencer Williams' *I Ain't Got Nobody* (1915), and James Johnson's *The Charleston* (1923).

"Earning a spot at the State finals is not guaranteed every year, making this accomplishment even more meaningful," said band director Jason Locher. "Our students had an incredible competition season, and I couldn't be prouder of their hard work and dedication."

## 2024 State Cross Country Qualifiers



Congratulations to Alexis Warnement, Andrew Mosack, and Braighden Sullivan on qualifying for the OHSAA State Cross Country Championship Meet in Columbus, on November 2, 2024.

#### PSAT Score Release on November 7th

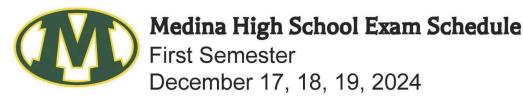
Students who took the October 21st PSAT (grade levels 9, 10 and 11) will have the opportunity to review their scores on November 7th. If students provided their mobile number, they will receive a text message when scores are available. The CollegeBoard offers students the ability to use the BigFuture School App to see scores, explore plans for their future and discover postsecondary opportunities. Please use this <u>link</u> to view more guidance from CollegeBoard. This app can be created and used for students and parents to view the most current score and explore career information. We encourage you to explore the use of this app but MHS will not be using the app with students.

Students in grades 10 and 11 also have CollegeBoard.org accounts where they can view all of their current scores and previous scores including any scores from Saturday administration of national exams. Log in information follows the format listed below for students in grades 10 and 11. It is essential that students (and parents) DO NOT create another CollegeBoard account. The student's CollegeBoard account is consistently used during the school years at Medina High School. Frequently students are asked to log into their CollegeBoard accounts for projects, activities and career information. Freshmen students will be making an account during the month of January. School counselors will present to the freshmen students how to create the create, assist with making the account and work through the account as needed with the students over the next several years. Please view your PSAT results from Oct 21 by downloading and using the BigFuture School App which will be sent to the mobile number provided during testing.

Medina High School CollegeBoard accounts have been and will be created using the following:

Username: students medinabees email

Password: Mcs123456! the digits are the student's ID number



	Tuesday Dec 17	Wednesday Dec 18	Thursday Dec 19
7:30 - 9:00	1st Period	12th Period	4/5th & 5/6th Period
9:10 - 10:40	3rd Period	11th Period	2nd Period
10:50 - 12:20	6/7th & 7/8th Period	8/9th & 9/10th Period	Make-up/Lunch
12:25 - 1:15 ER = 1:22 pm	Lunch	Lunch	Make-up/Lunch/ Early Release
1:20 - 2:22	Make-up	Make-up	

<sup>\*\*</sup>The exam schedule will not be modified for individual conveniences\*\*

#### School Fees

All course fees, and fall athletic fees for the 24-25 school year have been added to student accounts. Please log in to your Progressbook Parent Access Account to view outstanding fee details. If you have not yet signed up for a Progressbook Parent account please see the information provided on the Medina High School website. Fees can also be viewed and paid at PaySchools Central via the link on the High School website.

## Tutoring Center

Peer tutoring is available throughout the school year through the Joyce B. Ebner Tutoring Center, located at Medina High School, for all high school students. This program is made possible thanks to the continued support of the Medina City Schools Foundation. As in the past, tutoring will be available in all subject matters. Students will be paired with National Honor Society students and other honors students. All tutoring sessions will be coordinated through the Tutoring Center Director, Kristin Racz. Any interested students and/or parents/guardians should contact Kristin Racz at

mcsftutoring@medinabees.org. Click Here for a tutoring application

We are excited to announce that MHS will hold a mock election hosted by Student Council on November 5, 2024. This engaging event aims to bring the election process to life for our students and encourage civic participation.

#### Mock Elections!

On Tuesday, November 5, 2024 while people all over the nation were casting votes and making their voices heard, students at Medina High School had a similar experience. Student Council and the Social Studies Department worked together with Ohio Voting Kids to give students an authentic experience of heading to the polls. Every student in grades 9-12 had the opportunity to vote for the offices of President, US House of Representatives, US Senate as well as Issue 1 and the school levy. StuCo set up private booths and computers and students needed a photo ID to cast their ballots. "We tried to create a realistic situation for students to vote to simulate what they would experience at a real polling place. Hopefully this instilled some civic responsibility and gave kids a real-world experience and they will continue to vote in the future," said Laura Calaiacovo, Student Council advisor. Social Studies CDC, Erin Vleugels, believes this was a great opportunity for students to learn about the people and issues that will impact Ohio and the rest of the country. "It was wonderful to hear productive conversations amongst students about the candidates and issues and have them ask questions to make sure they stay informed."







Now in its 29th season of touring nationally, and its 10th year in Medina, Tomáseen Foley's A Celtic Christmas recreates the joy and innocence of a night before Christmas in a remote farmhouse in the west of Ireland in the 1950s, when the neighboring families gather around the fire to grace the wintry night with traditional Irish Christmas carols, to raise the rafters with the joy of their music, to knock sparks off the flagstone floor with traditional dances - and, of course, stories – they filled the night with the laughter of their stories.

Sunday, December 8, 2024, 2:30 - 4:30 pm, Medina Performing Arts Center

As a special 'thank you' to the Medina City School community for 10 years, we want to offer 25% off using promo code 'BEES' at check out. <u>Click Here for Tickets</u>

## Transcripts

To make it more efficient for students to request transcripts, Medina High School partners with Parchment to provide secure online transcript ordering available 24/7. All sophomores, juniors and seniors who have not completed their Parchment registration have received an email in August 2024. Follow the email using the GREEN login button to complete the Parchment registration in order to send transcripts. Students - please stop by to see Mrs. Carr in the Gold Guidance office or your school counselor if you need any assistance completing your registration. All transcripts are made available for free to students while they are a student at Medina High School. All transcripts are made available for free to students while they are a student at Medina High School. If seniors need a final transcript sent to your college, YOU must request it to be sent through Parchment.

## Flyer Central Digital Bulletin Board

Be sure to check <u>Flyer Central</u> to see what's happening around our community from youth sports camps and programs to other community events.



## Not Your Parents' High School Cafeteria

Freshly prepared hummus with carrots and celery sticks. An assortment of grab-n-go sandwiches and wraps. Protein balls. Salad greens topped with homemade croutons and a rainbow of fresh peppers. Soups, many made from scratch. A designated gluten free area that includes sandwiches and snack boxes. Vegan options. Most everything made in house. Not to mention a barista bar that rivals that of any café. Sounds like a teaser for a new restaurant opening up in the area, but in fact, these are among the daily offerings staff and students enjoy every day at Medina High School.

Led by Cafeteria Manager Liz Kiousis, with 20 years of experience in Medina City Schools, she and her staff of 13 are passionate about what they do and it shows in the time and effort they put into creating a menu that appeals to the many health and taste preferences of the 2,200+ people that are in the building any given day. This is in addition to the regular school menu which is set by the Food Services Department of Medina City Schools and includes a rotation of items typically found in high school cafeterias.

"We offer lots of choices because we believe every student should have the chance to choose the breakfast or lunch that they'd like to have," says Kiousis, "and it's important to include those that are vegan, vegetarian and gluten free." The staff even caters to the school's athletic teams by offering numerous protein-packed options. For example, on this particular day as we tour the extensive prep area, there are oatmeal protein balls with nut butter and dried fruits. A favorite of the cross country team just wrapping up their season, the item will remain on the breakfast menu as the swim team begins their season and hungry athletes show up after their early morning practice. There are also protein packed egg cups filled with breakfast meat and cheese, and bagel sandwiches alongside yogurt and fruit parfaits.

"We've offered choices for years," says Kiousis. "It has been a gradual process based on the needs and wants of students and staff, as well as consideration of overall cost."

When asked what she would like everyone to know about the MHS Cafe, Kiousis said that (we) have a great staff that does what they can, day in and day out, to offer many meal choices for the many different tastes and preferences. We love what we do!"









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## Class of 2026 State Required Immunizations

The State of Ohio requires specific immunizations for students per this document. Currently, the State requires 12th graders to have Two doses of the meningococcal (serogroup A, C, W, and Y) vaccine. The second dose needs to be administered on or after the 16th birthday.

If you know your student has already received these vaccines, please turn in proof so we can update their record. To show proof of immunization you can either email your students clinic staff (Mrs. Jaclyn Warner, RN warnerj@medinabees.org) or have them turn it into the clinic during normal school hours. Proof of Immunization will be due at the start of the 2025-2026 school year. If you have chosen to exempt your student from these immunizations you can fill out the exemption form, <a href="Immunization Exemption Form">Immunization Exemption Form</a>

## COVID Guidelines

Students who test positive for COVID should stay home from school until they have been fever free without fever-reducing medication for 24 hours.

#### Hometown Ticketing

Need a ticket for an athletic or PAC event? Click Here!

## 2024-2025 Parking Permits

All students driving to MHS must have a Parking Pass. 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. 2024-2025 Parking Permits are sold in the HUB. Currently the cost if \$ 30.00 with Cash or Check Payable to Medina City Schools. Permit costs decrease by \$10 for each quarter. The Parking Pass Google form must be filled out and the cost must be paid at time of permit pick up. <a href="Parking Pass">Parking Pass</a> Google Form. Questions? Email Mrs. Kuick at <a href="kuickc@medinabees.org">kuickc@medinabees.org</a>

#### Dress Code

From the 2024-2025 Student Handbook:

Being ready for school includes preparing for the day by choosing proper attire that reflects a consideration of hygiene, safety and environment. The following statements are provided as guidelines to promote understanding of a few areas of concern:

- Students must wear lanyards around their neck and IDs must be attached to lanyards at all times during the school day. Exceptions occur in the classroom based on teacher discretion of student activity.
- 2. Any apparel showing suggestive or profane pictures or wording; showing alcohol, tobacco, or drug-related sayings or pictures; promoting or depicting sex, violence, or self-destructive behavior; or any item that defames the nation, state, community, or an individual will not be permitted.
- 3. Tops must cover underclothing.
- 4. Dresses, skirts, pants, shorts, or clothing showing skin must be long enough or worn to cover undergarments.
- 5. Clothing with group markings or clothing associated with a non-school group or gang will not be permitted; e.g. shirts of the same color or marking.
- 6. Any spiked jewelry or chains are not permitted in school; these items will be confiscated.
- 7. Proper safe footwear must be worn at all times in the school buildings.
- 8. Sunglasses are not to be worn in the building.
- 9. Teacher discretion is used within the classroom as it pertains to hats and hoods.
- 10. Any new "fads" in clothing, costumes or anything not specifically covered in the above guidelines which are considered inappropriate dress shall be dealt with at the discretion of an administrator or designee.
- 11. No undergarments will be showing (male or female) whether standing or sitting.
- 12. Any other clothing or accessory deemed inappropriate by administration can be a dress code violation.

If there are any questions as to the appropriateness of any type of clothing, the school should be contacted in advance. In the event inappropriate clothing is worn or displayed, it is the responsibility of the student to make arrangements to immediately remedy the situation. Students will be retained in the office until appropriate clothing is obtained or clothing may be provided by the school. Any student violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary action.

#### Lanyards

Lanyards with Student IDs or temporary IDs must be worn by students all day and every day. Students who accumulate five or more violations of not wearing lanyards/student ID's are subject to after school detention.

From the 2024-2025 Student Handbook: SCHOOL IDENTIFICATION

- 1. School issued ID cards and school issued lanyards must be worn and visible at all times, during the school day.
- 2. If a student has an ID badge and/or lanyard not in compliance with rule #1, they will be sent to their appropriate office for a temporary replacement and/or to purchase a new one. Repeated violations may result in student discipline.
- 3. If a student has lost or defaced their ID card, they must get a replacement from the HUB. Cost for replacing the ID card is five dollars (\$5.00) and cost for a new lanyard is (\$ 2.00), and may be paid by cash or check. Failure to get a replacement card and/or lanyard will result in disciplinary action.
- 4. A student ID card should not be given to another person at any time. Violation of this rule will result in disciplinary action.
- 5. Students who have lost or forgotten their ID will be sent to the office to purchase a new one.
- 6. ID cards will be necessary for computer usage, admission to school dances and other functions, and for Media Center use. Failure to have your ID card may result in the loss of privileges.
- 7. ID cards are the property of Medina High School and may NOT be defaced in any way.
- 8. Students may only possess one of their own, current ID cards. No student should possess or wear more than one ID of their own or of another student.

## Feed the Bees Food Pantry

The Feed the Bees Food Pantry is currently well-funded and not currently in need of donations. We would like to thank staff members who donated to the pantry by purchasing reserved parking spots. If you or a community group is looking to donate, please email us and we will coordinate when would be a good time to do a food drive or suggest an outside organization that might be in greater need. If you or an MHS family you know is in need of assistance from the food pantry please let us know. In addition to food, we do have personal hygiene products.



Please email either Katie Shaffer at <a href="mailto:shafferk@medinabees.org">shafferk@medinabees.org</a> or Ed Dargay at <a href="mailto:dargaye@medinabees.org">dargaye@medinabees.org</a> with any questions, to receive help, or to make a referral. Thank you.

From the Main Office - Hours are from 7:00 am to 2:30 pm, 330-636-3200.

#### Work Permits:

Go to the school website <a href="www.medinabees.org">www.medinabees.org</a> and select High School, scroll down to the link for "Work Permits". Print off the work permit application. When you have all 3 sections filled out and signed, you can email it to <a href="whites@medinabees.org">whites@medinabees.org</a> and she can email you the permit.

## Chromebooks and Chargers

Students are expected to bring their Chromebooks every day and have Chromebook charged for the day. The school does not have Chromebook or charger loaners for students.

## Transcript Requests:

For those who graduated 2017 or later, you will need to go on Parchment.com and request your transcript. 2016 and earlier, go to the school website <a href="https://www.medinabees.org">www.medinabees.org</a> and select High School,

scroll down to the link for "Transcripts". Print or fill out the form online and submit it to <a href="mailto:kuickc@medinabees.org">kuickc@medinabees.org</a>

#### No Fast Food Delivers

No deliveries from parents, a delivery service or a restaurant for students will be accepted.

#### Attendance

Please communicate attendance matters through the Attendance Office for all nonattendance/missed class time such as illness, doctor, dentist, etc.



24 Hour Attendance Line: 330-636-3207 Mrs. Linda Florian - Last Names A-K florianl@medinabees.org
Direct Line - 330-636-3208

Mrs. Diane Boccio - Last Names L-Z bocciod@medinabees.org
Direct Line - 330-636-3206

#### **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 by 10:30 a.m. each morning.
- If a student is late because of an orthodontist, doctor, dentist, court appointment, 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 III in School

Students should report to the clinic with a pass from his/her teacher. If the student walks or drives home, the nurse will call a parent/guardian to obtain permission for that student to leave the school. If the student is being picked up, the driver can pick up that student at the front entrance A-7 doors-in the vestibule by the main office. The nurse or school staff may escort the student out if necessary.

As has always been our policy STUDENTS SHOULD NOT BE USING THEIR CELL PHONES TO CALL PARENTS DIRECTLY TO GO HOME ILL - We will enforce that any student leaving the school ILL MUST be excused through the clinic.

#### **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/guardians are to send in a note requesting their student leave early for the purpose of not attending an end of the day study hall. The note must be dated and the time that the student is to leave school. These notes should be brought to the attendance office by the student in the morning. Phoning in a request daily for a student to leave early is highly discouraged. Absences to avoid being in last period study hall are unexcused.

#### 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.

#### **Appointments**

Phoning in a request for a student to leave early is discouraged, although sometimes unavoidable. Writing notes in the morning is preferred. Parents need to realize that it may take time to find the student, especially if the student is in a gym class or at lunch. Dismissal slip will then be delivered to the student. The parent does not come in to sign out the student. The student will then meet the parent outside of the building at the designated time.

#### **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.

## Moved or 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 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.

## MEDINA HIGH SCHOOL! COME SEE THE WORLD WITH US!

#### 2025



Student Council Service Learning trip Marine Conservation
www.eftours.com/2668419PA

#### 2025



Social Studies Dept. European trips
1. London, Paris and Madrid
<a href="https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/255778">https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/255778</a>
4DZ

2. Italy - Venice, Florence, and Rome <a href="https://www.eftours.com/2570974df">www.eftours.com/2570974df</a>

#### 2026



Spain and France - From Paris to the Pyrenees

www.eftours.com/2814599dp

#### 2026



**WWII and the Western Front**England, France, Belgium, and Germany
www.eftours.com/2792179EN

Here is the <u>Parent Guide to Travel</u> from EF Educational Tours, our MHS travel partner. It covers everything from details about affordable payment options, safety, earning high school/college credit and more.

## MHS 24-25 Important Dates

### 2024-2025 Medina City Schools Calendar

### **Dates Subject to Change - Planning Calendar Only**

11/11/24	Early Release	
11/15-16/24	MHS Fall Play, 7:00 pm, Mid Aud	
11/17/24	MHS Fall Play, 2:00 pm, Mid Aud	
11/26/24	Early Release	
11/27-29/24	Thanksgiving Break - No School	
12/4/24	Orchestra Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC	
12/5/24	Choirs Holiday Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC	
12/7/24	Encore Holiday Show, 6:30 pm, PAC	
12/12/24	Band Holiday Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC	
12/17-19/24	First Semester Exams	
12/19/24	Early Release, Last Day of the First Semester	
12/20-1/3/25	Winter Break	
1/6/25	First Day of the Second Semester	
1/17/25	Inservice Day - No School	
1/20/25	MLK Jr. Day - No School	
1/24-25/25	SPICE, 7:00 pm, PAC	
1/30/25	Jazz Band Concert, HS & MS, 7:00 pm, PAC	
2/1/25	Winter Formal, MHS Gym, 7:30 pm, Doors	
	Open at 7:00 pm	
2/6/25	Club Picture Day	
2/13/25	Orchestra Concert, HS & MS, 7:00 pm, PAC	
2/14/25	Inservice Day - No School	
2/17/25	Presidents Day - No School	
2/24/25	Early Release	
3/4/25	Band Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC	
3/5/25	Early Release, Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences,	
	3:00 - 5:00 pm	
3/11/25	Choir Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC	
3/14/25	Last Day of the Third Nine Weeks	
3/24-28/25	Spring Break	
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4/5/25	Jazzamatz, 5:00 pm, MHS Cafeterias	
4/17/25	SAT Testing for Juniors, ELA II Testing	
4/18/25	Good Friday - No School	

4/21/25	Conference Comp Day - No School
4/24/25	Orchestra Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
4/29/25	End of Course Testing
4/30/25	End of Course Testing
5/1/25	Band Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
5/5-9/25	AP Testing
5/12-16/25	AP Testing
5/14/25	Jazz Band Concert, HS & MS, 7:00 pm, PAC
5/26/25	Memorial Day - No School
5/27-29/25	2nd Semester Exams
5/29/25	Early Release, Last Day of the 24-25 School Year



#### Class of 2025 Website

Go to <a href="www.medinabees.org">www.medinabees.org</a>, under the gold Our Schools, select Medina High School, hover over the green Our School, and click on Class of 2025 or <a href="Click Here!">Click Here!</a>

## Diploma Name Verification and Commencement Participation

Seniors need to complete the Diploma Name Verification and Commencement Participation Google form. **This is due December 6, 2024**. A diploma is an official document which includes first, middle last name and suffix, if applicable. A diploma will only be issued in the name which appears on the student's birth certificate.

The form also asks students to indicate whether or not they plan on participating in the commencement exercises. Commencement is planned for Saturday, May 24, 2025, Ken Dukes Stadium.

Click Here for the Link

## CLASS OF 2025 Important Information

## Stay up-to-date on your senior year! Visit twitter@GuidanceMedina

**<u>COLLEGE TESTING:</u>** - ACT registration: <u>www.actstudent.org</u>

SAT registration: www.collegeboard.comMedina High School CEEB: 363360

<u>COLLEGE/CAREER</u> - Research online via college/career tab on counselor webpage

- To meet with college reps at MHS, sign up for visits at: <u>College</u>
  <u>Visitation Days link</u> You may also come to gold guidance for a pass!!!
- Listen for announcements!

#### **COLLEGE APPS:**

- 1. Complete the application online
- 2. Investigate using the Common Application online, invite counselor to send transcript
- 3. Send your transcript for non Common App schools through: Parchment (should have received email)
- 4. ACT/SAT scores should be on your transcript; clarify with college because they may require you to have scores sent directly from ACT/SAT
- 5. <u>Final transcripts</u> are generated by your request through Parchment and are sent the first week in June.

#### **ESSENTIALS:**

- Consult **registration guide** on counselors webpage for graduation requirements, college core/honors diploma, etc. <u>Registration guide</u>
- Your grad plan lets you know where you stand for graduation, search your Google drive with your 6 digit ID#
- NCAA Division I or II, consult <u>www.eligibilitycenter.org</u> and your coach.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- Obtain Brag Sheet online at: Brag sheets
- Complete and share with counselor and teachers
- Allow 15 days for processing of recommendation
- Colleges would like CORE teachers, align with your intended major

#### FINANCIAL AID:

- Complete FAFSA online at <u>www.studentaid.gov</u>
- Application opens December 2024. APPLY FOR FSA ID NOW!
- This is necessary even if you are only looking for Grants or LOANS!
- Consult with the college regarding special circumstances
- You will receive an "award package" from the college in late spring

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

- Consult MHS Counselors webpage for Scholarship Updates
- Senior Scholarship App (Feb 3-25)
- Be aware of deadlines; no one awards a scholarship for late applicants
- Consult each college for their Scholarship Opportunities
- Search for your own via search engines found on counselors webpage
- Avoid Scholarship Scams; Scholarship information is FREE!
- Create a new google email...you will get SPAM!

## Navigating Senior Year

The Navigating Senior Year Document is an informational tool for all our seniors and parents/guardians of seniors attending Medina High School, the Medina County Career Center and students attending College Credit Plus classes. This document is updated throughout the school year. As this is a planning document, all event dates, times and locations are subject to change. Please check it regularly and please call the high school main office with any questions. MHS will do our best to keep seniors and senior parents/guardians informed and we appreciate your understanding and patience.

<u>Click here for the Navigating Senior Year Document</u>. This document and other important information are posted on the high school website at www.medinabees.org, under Class of 2025, and is posted on the shared drive, MHS-Student, Class of 2025.

## FAFSA - 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. Many colleges and universities also require the FAFSA to be completed to be eligible for merit based scholarships. The 2025-2026 FAFSA form will be available sometime in December 2024. FAFSA should be filled out as soon as possible on the official government site, 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 you start:

- 1. Your FSA ID (You and your student can apply for this NOW!)
- 2. Your Social Security number
- 3. Your driver's license number
- 4. Your latest tax records
- 5. Records of your untaxed income
- 6. Records of your assets (money)
- 7. List of school(s) you are interested in attending

## Cap / Gown /Announcement Ordering Information

All cap/gown/announcement orders are to be placed through Herff Jones. Visit the Herff Jones website at <a href="www.gradmidwest.com">www.gradmidwest.com</a> and click on click on SHOP SENIOR GRADUATION PRODUCES, then click on the MHS M Logo/Medina High School. All seniors must wear a cap and gown to participate in the commencement exercise. Email <a href="mailto:aj.hjgradservices@gmail.com">aj.hjgradservices@gmail.com</a> or call 740.357.2160.

- All graduates wear green and can wear a green gown/green cap from a sibling/friend.
- A new tassel should be ordered for the class year of 25.
- Cap and gown packets will be distributed from MHS beginning in May.
- Cap and gown packets for MCCC students will be taken to the Career Center beginning in May.



Click for a Class of 2025 Information Video

Click Here for a Cap, Gown, Tassel Flier

If a student is receiving an Honor Diploma, MHS will provide a gold tassel. The counselors make the final determinations of criteria met in April/May if a student will be receiving a gold tassel. Graduates only wear one tassel. NHS members will receive their gold cords when packets are distributed.

#### After Prom

Each year, a talented group of parent volunteers supports Medina High School students and the community by hosting a drug and alcohol-free After Prom event. With help from generous community businesses and parents, these volunteers are able to present a night that is second-to-none in safety, fun, and entertainment. During the event, students enjoy food and refreshments from local restaurants, as well as many games and a

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refreshments from local restaurants, as well as many games and activities. The grand finale of the night features a gift basket drawing of more than 100 baskets! Prom /After Prom is May 17, 2025. Scheduled meeting dates are November 6, January 8, February 5, March 5, April 2, and May 7. Meetings are at 7:00 pm, in the MHS Senior Commons. All are welcome. Please reach out to <a href="mailto:afterprompresident@medinabees.org">afterprompresident@medinabees.org</a> with any questions.

## 24-25 Important Dates for Seniors

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2/6/25	Club Picture Day	
2/14/25	Inservice Day - No School	
2/17/25	Presidents Day - No School	
2/24/25	Early Release	
3/5/25	Early Release, Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences,	
	3:00 - 5:00 pm	

Last Day of the Third Nine Weeks

3/24-28/25	Spring Break	
4/10/25	Commencement Speaker / Favorite Staff Letters Due	
4/17/25	SAT Testing - No School for Seniors	
4/18/25	Good Friday - No School	
4/21/25	Conference Comp Day - No School	
4/29/25	End of Course Testing - No School for Seniors	
4/30/25	End of Course Testing - No School for Seniors	
Week of 5/5/25	Cap / Gown Distribution, MECCA	
5/5-9/25	AP Testing	
5/8/25	Table Day, Senior Commons During Lunches	
Week of 5/12/25	Senior Exams - Seniors Must Report to Classes Daily	
5/12-13/25	Language Arts, World Languages, Art, Social Studies	
5/14-15/25	Math, Science, Phys Ed, Business/Industrial Tech	
5/15/25	Senior Sunset, 7:30 – 9:00 pm, Location TBD	
5/16/25	Make-up exams, only seniors who have to make-up	
	an exam should report to school during the assigned	
	class period	
5/12-16/25	AP Testing	
5/17/25	PROM, Ehrnfelt Event Center, Strongsville, 6:00 pm	
5/20/25	Senior Awards, PAC, 8:00 am, By Invitation Only	
5/21/25	MCCC Awards Ceremony, 7:00 pm,	
	Ken Dukes Stadium	
5/22/25	Mandatory Graduation Practice, MHS, 9:00 am -	
	Chromebook Return/Drop Off	
5/22/25	All fees, fines, books fines, and financial obligations	
	must be paid no later than 2:00 pm in order to receive	
	a diploma on 5/24/25.	



# Save the Date

Medina City Schools
Pancake Breakfast &
Spotlight on Students

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025** 

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
MEDINA HIGH SCHOOL MAIN CAFETERIA
777 E. UNION STREET

STUDENT PERFORMANCES 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER MAIN STAGE

STUDENT ART ON DISPLAY



**STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS!** 





## **Here Comes the Bus**

A School Bus Tracking App for Parents

#### **Tracking Features**

Shows the real-time location of your child's bus

Gives scheduled and actual arrival times at home and school for bus routes

Provides push and email notifications when the bus is near

## RIGHT BUS. RIGHT STOP. RIGHT TIME.

#### Sign Up Instructions For Parents:

- 1. Download Here Comes the Bus app or visit herecomesthebus.com
- 2. Click the "Sign Up" button
- 3. Enter school code 29210 and click "Next" followed by "Confirm"
- 4. Complete the "User Profile" box
- Under "My Students," click "Add." Enter your child's last name and student ID number
- 6. Once you confirm your information, you're ready to begin







# Need Groceries!

Contact Us 330-421-4816 feedingmedinacounty.org



## 2024 Food Distribution Schedule

#### JANUARY

1/4 Lodi 1/11 Brunswick 1/18 Medina 1/25 Wadsworth

#### MAY

5/2 Lodi 5/9 Brunswick 5/16 Medina 5/23 Wadsworth

#### SEPTEMBER

9/5 Lodi 9/11 Medina 9/12 Brunswick 9/26 Wadsworth

#### FEBRUARY

2/1 Lodi 2/8 Brunswick 2/15 Medina 2/22 Wadsworth

#### JUNE

6/6 Lodi 6/13 Brunswick 6/20 Medina 6/27 Wadsworth

#### OCTOBER

10/3 Lodi 10/10 Brunswick 10/17 Medina 10/24 Wadsworth

#### MARCH

3/7 Lodi 3/13 Medina 3/14 Brunswick 3/28 Wadsworth

#### JULY

7/3 Lodi 7/11 Brunswick 7/18 Medina 7/25 Wadsworth

#### NOVEMBER

11/7 Lodi 11/14 Brunswick 11/21 Medina 11/26 Wadsworth

#### APRIL

4/4 Lodi 4/11 Brunswick 4/18 Medina 4/25 Wadsworth

#### AUGUST

8/1 Lodi 8/8 Brunswick 8/15 Medina 8/22 Wadsworth

#### DECEMBER

12/5 Lodi 12/12 Brunswick 12/18 Wadsworth 12/19 Medina

#### BRUNSWICK

Grace Baptist Church 3480 Laurel Road Brunswick, OH 44212 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

#### LODI

Hidden Hollow Camp 8672 Richman Road Lodi, OH 44254 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

#### MEDINA

Medina Fairgrounds 735 Lafayette Road Medina, OH 44256 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

#### WADSWORTH

Art Wright Stadium 280 Grandview Avenue Wadsworth, OH 44281 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.





Would you like to participate in sports, get a work permit, or attend a summer camp?

The Free Clinic of Medina County now offers FREE physicals through the free youth physical exam program

To receive a free physical examination, students must:

- Have a parent or guardian complete the necessary paperwork and bring it to the appointment
- Call (330) 764-9300 to schedule an appointment

The Free Clinic is located at Cleveland Clinic Medina Hospital,
Entrance D, 970 E. Washington Street, Suite 104, Medina.

The Clinic has a satellite office at Cleveland Clinic Akron General Lodi
Hospital, Suite 102, 225 Elyria Street, Lodi.

To schedule an appointment for a physical exam, parents or guardians should call the Medina Clinic at 330.764.9300.

## WHEN BIG YELLOW STOPS!!!



**EVERYONE STOPS!!**