



Medina High School Families:

Medina High School has been a busy and exciting place over the past few weeks and it won't be slowing down anytime soon! Last week we had the opportunity to welcome the Chamber of Commerce to MHS as we highlighted the amazing work done throughout the district. One of the many areas we had the honor of showcasing was from our very talented art department as depicted below. We also highlighted the work of a variety of classes consisting of cooking, AP political science, AP computer science, quantitative reasoning, marine science, career explorations, and many others.



Homecoming begins this week! As students entered school on Monday they saw the various hallways decorated with the theme, Traveling Coast to Coast! A huge shoutout to our wonderful student council for putting on such a wonderful event. We hope to see our community come out for our homecoming parade on Thursday, October 10th at 6:00 PM, followed by the powderpuff football game at 7:00 PM hosted by Link Crew! We also have our football game Friday night under the lights! Come out and

support our Battling Bees. The week will conclude with our homecoming dance on Saturday at 7:00 PM.

Lastly, we have a 7.5 mill, 10-year emergency levy on the November 5th ballot as issue 16. The funds generated through this levy are crucial for maintaining the high-quality programs and services throughout the district. Without these funds, the district will have to make significant reductions. These reductions consist of personnel, programming and support. For example, this may include reductions to AP course offerings, reduction of counseling and mental health supports, elimination of gifted services, and reduction to course offerings to name a few. By passing our levy on November 5th, we can maintain the high-quality teaching and learning environment throughout our district. If you have any questions regarding the levy, please reach out to us.

We are looking forward to a wonderful fall season and hope to see you around at the various events throughout the district.

In partnership,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elisa Tedona'.

Elisa Tedona, Ph.D.
MHS Principal
#OneHive

Please check the MHS website for all the latest information!

www.medinabees.org

Click on Our Schools
select Medina High School

2024 Medina High School National Merit Semifinalist - Varun Rodrigues



On September 11, officials of the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) announced the names of approximately 16,000 Semifinalists in the 70th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 6,870 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$26 million that will be offered next spring. To be considered for a Merit Scholarship award, Semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the Finalist level of the competition. About 95 percent of the Semifinalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and approximately half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar® title.

Congratulations Varun!

Commended Students in the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program

Of the about 1.5 million juniors who take the PSAT/NMSQT each year, approximately 50,000 juniors with the highest PSAT/NMSQT Selection Index scores (or total PSAT scores) who meet the eligibility requirements described above qualify for NMSP recognition. That is, roughly the top 3% of 11th grade testers will qualify. During the September following the PSAT/NMSQT administration, approximately 2/3 of those 50,000 students will receive Letters of Commendation recognizing their academic abilities and potential. Congratulations to:



Maxwell Dudley



Hannah Fox



Lilly Wilson

MHS October Students of the Month



Meadow Firem is generous with time, always willing to help staff and students with her caring and confident personality. She always strives for more, continuously raising her own standards, to do her very best whether it be in the classroom, on the volleyball court, or student organizations. Her class schedule has consisted of College Credit Plus and Advanced Placement courses. Meadow has earned the MHS Academic Distinction Award Summa Cum Laude her junior, sophomore and freshman years. She is also an AP Scholar recipient. Meadow is Vice President of the MHS National Honor Society, Student Council, President of Key Club, Vice President of Spanish Club, a member of Student Council, HUDDLE, the Principal Advisory Team and the Ohio Association of Student Leaders. She also has played club Volleyball for the past seven years, and plays piano.

Meadow is a volunteer in the Joyce B. Ebner Tutoring Center as a peer tutor. She also volunteers for SPARK Medina, who engages youth, families, and Medina nonprofit partners with meaningful service learning opportunities to expand awareness, engagement, & commitment to community. Meadow works at Taste of Excellence - Medina, and Nutrient Rich Life. Meadow plans on attending college to study international business, minoring in Spanish and physics. Meadow is the daughter of Charles and Diana Firem.



Caleb Sundermeier is an inquisitive and empathetic student who completely engages with MHS staff and his peers. He is always present in the moment, and has the courage to address hard issues. He strikes a balance in his life with a great sense of humor, and a heart to serve. Caleb'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. Caleb is a member of National Honor Society, Hope Squad, Jr. Hope Squad, HUDDLE, is a main leader for Fellowship of Christian Students, and a member of Link Crew, Outdoor Club and Spanish Club. He plays Upright Bass for the Medina High School Sinfonietta Orchestra. He is a disc/javelin thrower for the MHS Track and Field Team. Caleb volunteers in the Joyce B. Ebner Tutoring Center as a peer tutor, and tutors at Al Root Middle School. He volunteers at Grace Church - Medina East

with Kids Ministry. He also volunteers at Samaritan Care, helps with Encore Events, and has been a National Inventor Camp Invention counselor for the past three years. After graduation, he plans on attending Liberty University to study Education, focusing on upper elementary/middle school grades. Caleb is the son of Steven and Sarah Sundermeier.

MCCC September Student of the Month



Lily LaMarca is an Engineering Technologies & Design student at the Medina County Career Center. She has served as the Reporter for her program for two years, has served as a Student Ambassador for two years and volunteered for the Engineering Technology and Design Car Show. Her advanced academics include AP History and AP Chemistry, as well as College Credit Plus College Composition. Lily has been on the Honor Roll throughout high school and was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society as a junior. At her home school (Medina), she was a member of the Golf team for three years and was awarded the Three-Year Plaque as a junior. She also was an active volunteer for Volunteer Opportunities for Teens and volunteered at H.G. Blake Elementary School and at the Medina High School Outdoor Clean-Up Day.

MHS Freshman, Sophomores, and Juniors - October 21, 2024

At Medina High School, we believe in creating as many opportunities as possible for our students to own their future. That's why we offer the PSAT/NMSQT® (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) to our students. Whether your child is thinking about attending a two- or four-year college, is going straight into the workforce, or isn't sure what they want to do after high school, the PSAT/NMSQT can help make their path clearer.



Results from the PSAT/NMSQT provide insights into your child's academic strengths, along with areas they can work on while still in high school. Taking the PSAT/NMSQT can also help your child to:

- Enter the [National Merit® Scholarship Program](#) if they meet program requirements specified in the PSAT/NMSQT Student Guide.
- See where they are and set a target for where they want to be.
- Practice and prepare for the SAT®.
- Find out what AP® courses they're ready to take.
- Plan and pay for college.
- Connect to their future career.

This fall the PSAT/NMSQT will be administered in a new digital format—followed by the SAT in spring 2024—that will provide an overall easier testing experience for students. **Your child will take the PSAT/NMSQT on October 21, 2024, using their own school-issued device.** [Watch this video](#) to see what students can expect from the digital PSAT/NMSQT. If you or your child have questions about the PSAT/NMSQT or college and career planning, please reach out to me or your child's counselor—we're here to help! Students are able to leave school once testing is concluded, which is approximately by 10:30. Students who receive accommodations must follow the directions sent to them by their school counselor in a separate email. If students do not have a ride home, they can remain in the building for lunch and study hall until buses arrive at the end of the day.

MHS Seniors - Seniors should not attend school. Rather, they should use this time to visit college campuses or college applications. Please click [here](#) to see available options for seniors to take advantage of. Please note, you must turn in proof of how you spent your time to our attendance office. The link above provides options for you to choose from.

2024 Parent Teacher Conferences

MHS Parent Teacher Conferences will be held virtually on Thursday, October 24 and Thursday, October 30, both from 3:00 to 8:00 pm. Instructions for scheduling a Parent Teacher Conference for your high school aged child will be emailed to parents and students.



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, [Immunization Exemption Form](#)

Morning Announcements



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

Usually beginning around the end of the first nine weeks, week of October 14, Morning Announcements can be viewed on YouTube at [MHSTV Morning Announcements](#)

Hometown Ticketing

Need a ticket for an athletic or PAC event? [Click Here!](#)

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 with your student medinabees account, click on Shared Drives, and click on MHS-Student.

Picture Retakes - October 23, 2024, 9:00 - 1:00 pm



MEDINA COUNTY COLLEGE, TECH, AND TRADE FAIR

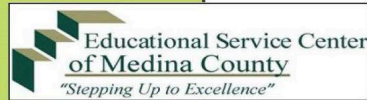
Date: October 9, 2024
(Wednesday)

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Site: Community Center on
Medina Fairgrounds

Students and parents are invited to attend.

The Medina County College, Tech, and Trade Fair is registered with the Ohio Association for College Admission Counseling (OACAC).



*Save
the
Date!*

For more information,
contact Brenda Zacharias:

- bzacharias@medinaesc.org
- PH: 330/723-6393, Ext. 601572
- FAX: 330/723-0573



StriveScan is an optional feature that enables students to quickly provide their information to colleges. We encourage you to use it, but it is not required to attend. Scan this QR code to register for a barcode before the fair.



Hope Squad

On September 5, 2024, MHS Hope Squad participated in a county wide training retreat with other local Hope Squads. There were over 220 students attending. MHS students were among some of the most experienced attendees present and they wasted no opportunity to share their thoughts and encourage new and young members.



Nichole Vrsansky attended the retreat and did a story for the 6 pm hour on Channel 19 News Cleveland.
<https://www.cleveland19.com/video/2024/09/12/suicide-prevention-program-expanding-medina-county/>

ProgressBook StudentAccess


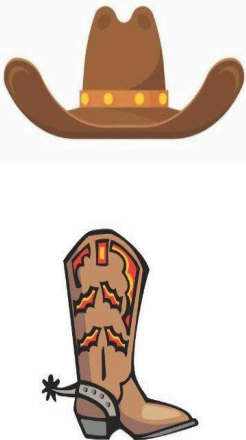
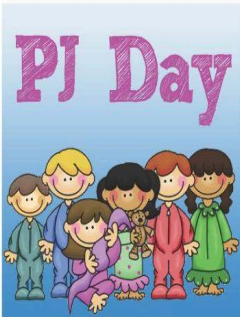
Students can check grades in ProgressBook on their Chromebook by going to the Medina Quick Links tab and clicking "Grades in ProgressBook". They will then need to select Medina City Schools and choose "Students Sign-in with Google." Once signed in, students can click on grades in the left-hand column. 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](#)

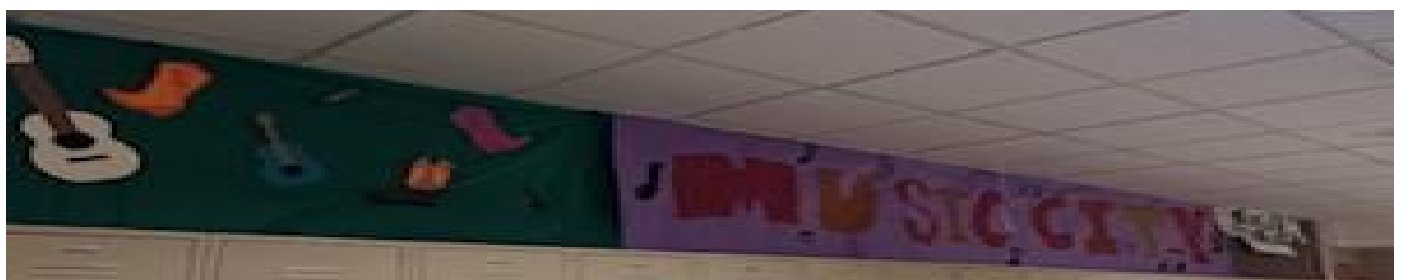
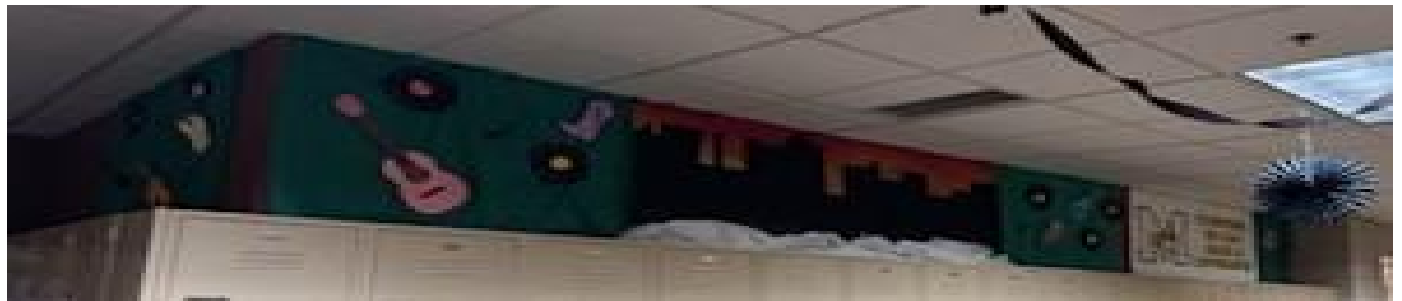
[ProgressBook Online Grade Book Instructions - Parent Account](#)

2024 Homecoming Traveling Coast to Coast Spirit Week 10/7-10/10

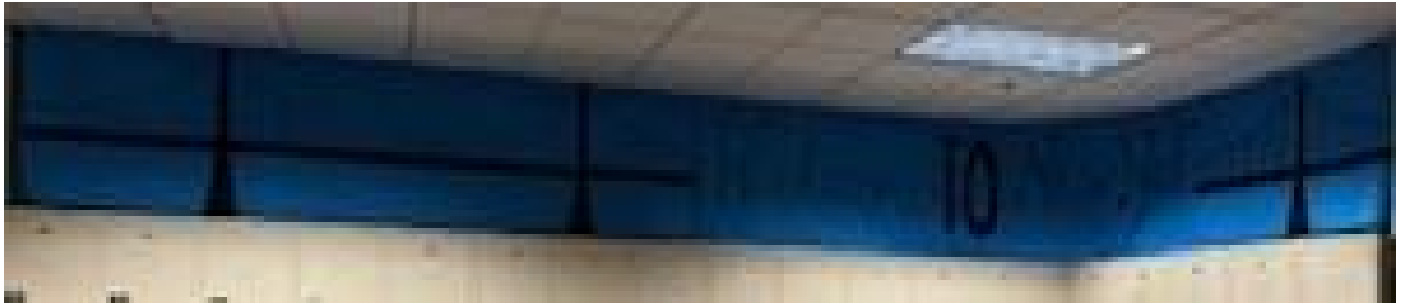
Monday Oct. 7	Tuesday Oct. 8	Wednesday Oct. 9	Thursday Oct. 10	Friday Oct. 11
Hawaiian Day	Country Music Day	Pajama Day	Class Color	No School
			Freshman: Yellow Sophomore: Black Junior: White Senior: Green	Swarm Theme Green Out

2024 Homecoming Hallways Coast to Coast

Freshman - Nashville



Sophomores - New York City



Juniors - Honolulu



Seniors - Hollywood



Homecoming Events

Homecoming

2024 HOMECOMING WEEK! "Traveling Coast to Coast"



OCTOBER 7
---THROUGH---
OCTOBER 11



Thursday
October

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Homecoming Parade

The 2024 "Traveling Coast to Coast" themed parade will step off at 6:00pm from Garfield, travel north on Broadway to Union, then on to Medina High School.

Thursday
October

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Medina High School Powderpuff Football Game

The community is invited to come cheer on the junior & senior girls as they take to the gridiron at Ken Dukes Stadium for a friendly Powderpuff Football game following the parade at approximately 7:00pm. Admission is \$5. Advanced tickets can be purchased by scanning the QR code or by visiting www.medinabees.org. Tickets are cash only at the gate day of the event. Food trucks will be available in Lot B. Come hungry! Proceeds go to support the Medina High School Link Crew.



Friday
October

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Medina High School Varsity Football

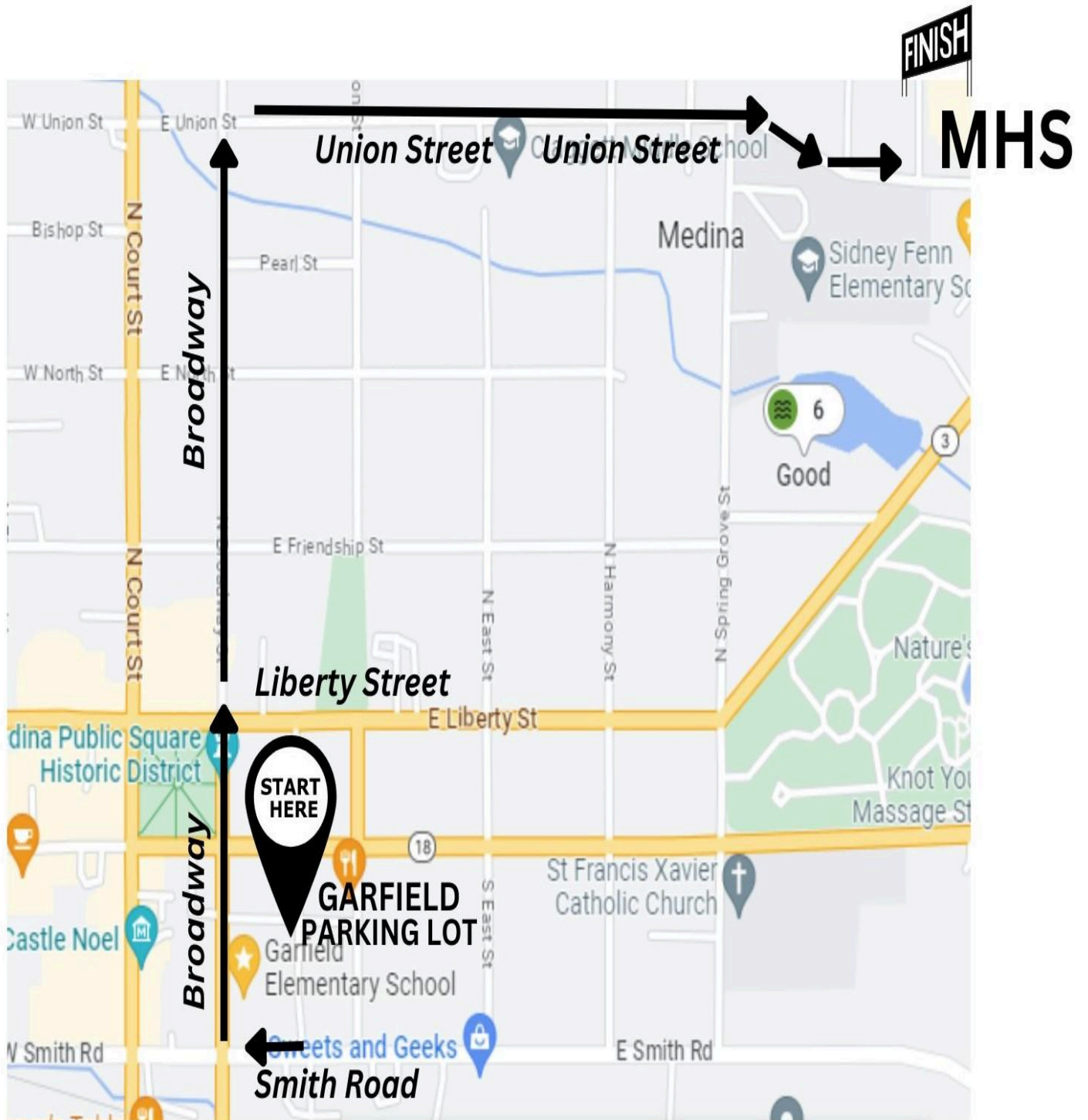
Homecoming Queen and Escorts will be introduced during the marching band's pre-game show. The Medina Battling Bees take on the Cleveland Heights Tigers at 7:00pm. Visit Athletics @ www.medinabees.org for tickets. Stay after the game and enjoy the fireworks display sponsored by Medina High School Student Council. Display begins approximately 10 minutes after the game ends.

SHOW YOUR MEDINA BEE SPIRIT BY
PUTTING OUT
GREEN & WHITE RIBBONS!

PROUD TO BE A MEDINA BEE!



2024 Homecoming Parade Route



MEDINA HS & LINK CREW PRESENT

POWDERPUFF FOOTBALL Game



OCTOBER 10TH/7:00 PM
@ KEN DUKES STADIUM

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY
COME WATCH JUNIORS & SENIORS COMPETE
& CHEER WITH OUR FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES

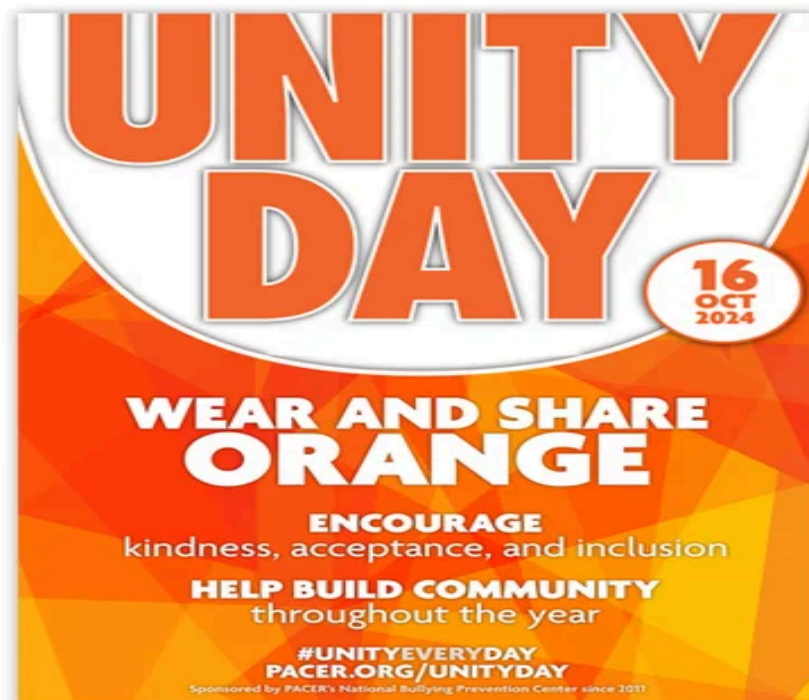
\$5 ENTRY FEE: PURCHASE ONLINE OR AT
THE GATE [CASH ONLY]

[HOMETOWNTICKETING.COM](https://www.hometownticketing.com)



Outdoors Club Tree Planting

On Wednesday, September 24th, members of the MHS Outdoors Club along with Advisor Matt Haramis volunteered their time and resources to replace a tree outside the north entrance of Medina High School. The club worked to secure permission, reached out to community members to select the best tree for the location, and then purchased the tree and landscaping gravel with their own funds.



Junior Hope Squad

Our MHS Hope Squad assisted in the training of Junior Hope Squad this past Thursday. Over 80 4th and 5th graders from the district Elementary schools learned from our MHS team on how to bring HOPE to their buildings. Abby Waugh, Caleb Sundermeier, Austyn Perdue, Bella Seedhouse, Avery Graeme, Kendall Doran, Vivian Kelps and Katherine Johns were the leads in several lessons and breakout groups. Mason Heibel, Syd Llyod, Sydney Hunt, Jack Smith, Tyler Hurley, Austin Mosgrove, Kylie Kamp and Graeme Gifford were small group and project leaders throughout the day.

A special thanks to Donna Toth, Karon Lipponcott, Judit Takacs, Cindy Kuick and Liz Kiouis for contributing their skill sets and expertise in making the day a success for the entire group.



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.

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.**

MEDINA HIGH SCHOOL



Your Official Class Ring Supplier

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And to See ALL Available Styles And Ring Options
Go To highschool.herffjones.com**

Medina High School Drama Club Announces 2024-2025 Line-Up

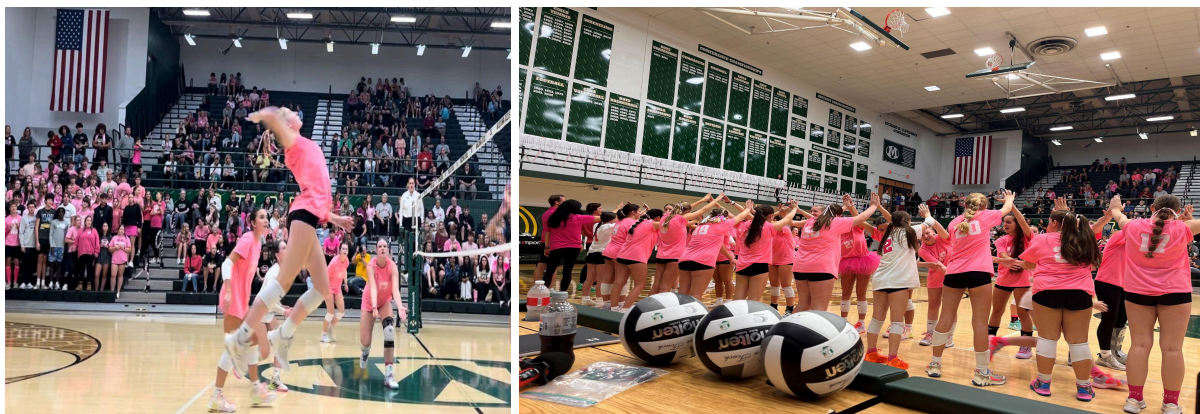
The Medina High School Drama Club has an exciting 2024-25 season lined up. Rehearsals for *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* are already underway, with performances scheduled for November 15 and 16 at 7 PM, and November 17 at 2 PM on the Medina High School Middle Stage. Following the fall play, auditions for the musical murder-mystery comedy *Curtains* will take place in early December, with performances set for April 18 and 19 at 7 PM, and April 20 at 2 PM on the Performing Arts Center Main Stage. In addition, S.P.I.C.E., the all-Medina High School talent and variety show, will take place in the Performing Arts Center on January 24 and 25, 2025.

The Drama Club is also planning to attend at least two professional shows in downtown Cleveland, potentially *Life of Pi* at Playhouse Square and *Peter and the Starcatcher* at the Hanna Theatre. The club will again participate in the Playhouse Square Dazzles/National High School Musical Theater Awards, where last year's production of *The Prom* earned three Dazzle Award nominations. Through this program, students will have the opportunity to attend dance, vocal, and acting masterclasses led by professional performers.

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.

Ace for Grace - September 26, 2026 Fundraiser



Flyer Central Digital Bulletin Board

Be sure to check [Flyer Central](#) to see what's happening around our community from youth sports camps and programs to other community events.



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:

1. 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.

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 will be sold at the Hub starting in August. Full school year cost: \$40.00 with Cash or Check Payable to Medina City Schools. The Parking Pass Google form must be filled out and the cost must be paid at time of permit pick up. [Parking Pass Google Form](#). Questions? Email Mrs. Kuick at kuickc@medinabees.org

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 shafferk@medinabees.org or Ed Dargay at dargaye@medinabees.org 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 www.medinabees.org 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 whites@medinabees.org 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 www.medinabees.org and select High School, scroll down to the link for "Transcripts". Print or fill out the form online and submit it to kuickc@medinabees.org

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 Ill 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.

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2025



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

2025



Social Studies Dept. European trips
1. London, Paris and Madrid
<https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/2557784DZ>
2. Italy - Venice, Florence, and Rome
www.eftours.com/2570974df

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 [Parent Guide to Travel](#) 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 First Semester Important Dates

[2024-2025 Medina City Schools Calendar](#)

Dates Subject to Change - Planning Calendar Only

10/4/24	HoCo Dance Ticket Sales Begin, Online, 3:00 pm
10/9/24	HoCo Dance Ticket Sales End
10/10/24	Homecoming Parade, 6:00 pm, Powderpuff Football Game, 7:00 pm, Ken Dukes Stadium
10/11/24	Teacher Inservice Day - No Students
10/12/24	Homecoming Dance, 7:30 pm, Gym
10/15/24	MHS Choirs Concert, 7:00 pm, PAC
10/18/24	Last Day of the First Nine Weeks
10/21/24	PSAT Testing, 7:30-10:30 am
10/23/24	Picture Retakes
10/24/24	Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences, 3-8 pm
10/30/24	Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences, 3-8 pm
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



Class of 2025 Website

Go to www.medinabees.org, under the gold Our Schools, select Medina High School, hover over the green Our School, and click on Class of 2025 or [Click Here!](#)

MHS Seniors and PSAT Fall Testing

Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors will be taking the PSAT/NMSQT on October 21, 2024. Seniors should not attend school. Rather, they should use this time to visit college campuses or college applications. Please click [here](#) to see available options for seniors to take advantage of. Please note, you must turn in proof of how you spent your time to our attendance office. The link above provides options for you to choose from.

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](#)

COLLEGE TESTING:

- ACT registration: www.actstudent.org
- SAT registration: www.collegeboard.com
- Medina High School CEEB: 363360

COLLEGE/CAREER

- Research online via college/career tab on counselor webpage
- To meet with college reps at MHS, sign up for visits at: [College Visitation Days link](#) 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. **Final transcripts** 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. [Registration guide](#)
- 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 www.eligibilitycenter.org 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 www.studentaid.gov
- 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.

[Click here for the Navigating Senior Year Document](#). 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 www.gradmidwest.com 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 aj.hjgradservices@gmail.com 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 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 afterprompresident@medinabees.org with any questions.

24-25 First Semester Important Dates for Seniors

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10/21/24	PSAT Testing, Seniors Do Not Attend, See Above
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Medina City Schools Issue 16



10-Year Emergency Levy

For more information, scan
the QR code or visit
www.medinabees.org



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OPEN HOUSE & SAFETY DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

11AM - 2PM

FIRE STATION 1 - 300 W. REAGAN PKWY, MEDINA

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October 19th, 2024
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\$50/ person for dinner
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or scan QR code below.
Please indicate names of guests attending.



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To purchase a sponsorship

Venmo @medinahsbasketball or scan QR code.
Please indicate order information and your business name in the
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Community Open House



**Come and tour
Helping Hands Preschool at Heritage
Wednesday, October 30, 2024
Helping Hands Preschool at Heritage
833 Guilford Boulevard**

5:00 PM–6:30 PM



**This is open to the entire
community with guided tours
every 15 minutes**



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Contact Us
330-421-4816
feedingmedinacounty.org



2024 Food Distribution Schedule

JANUARY

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

FEBRUARY

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

MARCH

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

APRIL

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

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.

MAY

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

JUNE

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

JULY

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

AUGUST

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

SEPTEMBER

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

OCTOBER

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

NOVEMBER

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

DECEMBER

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





Attention All Medina County Students!

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.

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