



May 3, 2021

## A Proud Past, A Promising Future

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**REMINDER TO STUDENTS/PARENTS:**  
Student e-mail accounts should only be used for  
schoolwork and educational purposes.  
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*“Encouragement! We need it and we need to give more of it. Help someone be brave today.”* —Jon Gordon

### MONDAY, MAY 3

Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

- JV Softball vs. White Knoll – 5:30 p.m.
- B-Team Baseball vs. Whitmire – 5 p.m.
- Varsity Baseball vs. Whitmire – 7 p.m.

### TUESDAY, MAY 4

Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

- Varsity Softball vs. White Knoll – 6 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

- JV Baseball (DH) @ Swansea – 5:30 p.m.
- Track Region Meet

### THURSDAY, MAY 6

Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

- Varsity Baseball (DH) vs. Keenan – 5:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY, MAY 7

Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

- Varsity Softball (DH) @ Keenan – 5 p.m.

## Good News

The Rebels shoot a season low 332 and win the Region 4 AAA golf tournament:

**Luke Hammond:** Region Player of the Year

**Carter Hendrix:** All Region

**Miller Gilliam:** All Region

**Rhett Brigman:** All Region

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On Wednesday, April 28, Girls varsity soccer traveled to Chester to claim the title of Region 4 AAA Champions, and they did just that!

The girls finished the game against Chester with a **final winning score of 2-0.**

Throughout the game, the girls did a fantastic job of working together and pushing the ball into the opponent’s territory. It has truly been a season to remember for these girls. We are very proud!

**Saniyah Williams** Scored both goals for Mid-Carolina, great job!

Congratulations **Mr. Zeb Reid!** Mr. Reid earned his Project Based Learning Endorsement with the S.C. Department of Education in Curriculum & Instruction after completing three graduate school courses with the College of Charleston.

## Cafeteria News



All school lunch and breakfast are at NO charge for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. Students who choose to bring their own lunch may still get a fruit, vegetable, fries, or milk at no charge. Also, if you have a negative balance from last year please clear it up asap.

We have meal pickups on Wednesday 10 a.m. until 12 noon. You do not have to register to pick up. Pick up is in the car rider line.

## On-going/Upcoming Events

Parents are reminded to use the link on each school's website to report a COVID-related incident. The information requested indicates if your child has symptoms, has tested positive, or has been identified as a close contact or household contact. Thank you for your continued support of our district.

<https://www.mid-carolinahighschool.org/article/369980?org=mchs>

### 2020-2021 SAT

Test @ MCHS

May 8, 2021

June 5, 2021

### CLASS OF 2021

If you have not placed your senior supply order or you have a balance, you will need to call Rhodes Graduation Services (Jostens) at (803) 485-4503. You may also contact them at [office@rhodesgraduation.com](mailto:office@rhodesgraduation.com).

Senior Night will be presented in a virtual format on June 1, 2021.

A Virtual Baccalaureate Service will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 6.

Graduation will be held at Lon Armstrong Stadium (MCHS Football Field) at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 11, 2021. Our rain-out date will be Saturday, June 12, 2021 at 5 p.m. A pass will be required for entry on either date.



Yearbooks for the 2020-2021 school year have already been ordered. A limited number of extras were ordered.

If you would like for your name to be placed on the waiting list, please contact Mr. Peter Lewis at [plewis@newberry.k12.sc.us](mailto:plewis@newberry.k12.sc.us) as soon as possible. If you receive a yearbook at delivery, payment of \$75 will be expected at time of issue.

### WORD POWER

<b>M</b>	<b>BOGART</b> to cause (someone) to do something by means of force or coercion; bully <b>IMPRESARIO</b> the promoter, manager, or conductor of an opera or concert company
<b>T</b>	<b>CLANDESTINE</b> marked by, held in, or conducted with secrecy; surreptitious <b>EPICURE</b> one with sensitive and discriminating tastes
<b>W</b>	<b>ROCOCO</b> of or relating to an artistic style especially of the 18 <sup>th</sup> century characterized by fanciful curved asymmetrical forms and elaborate ornamentation <b>HERALD</b> to give notice of; announce
<b>AM</b>	<b>AMICABLE</b> characterized by friendly goodwill; peaceable <b>INORDINATE</b> exceeding reasonable limits; immoderate
<b>E</b>	<b>ENHANCE</b> heighten; increase; to increase or improve in value, quality, desirability, or attractiveness <b>MELIORISM</b> the belief that the world tends to improve and that humans can aid its betterment



# Mid-Carolina High School

## A Proud Past. A Promising Future.

Our mission: To engage students in educational experiences that ensure success and life-long learning.

Our vision is of a culture where all ideas are valued; a cooperative relationship exists between the school, the district, and the community; collaboration is expected; and people want to work and students want to learn.

### 5 WAYS POSITIVE LEADERS CREATE POSITIVE CHANGE

I received a call about two and a half years ago from Evan Spiegel, the CEO and Co-founder of Snapchat (Snap). Evan had read "The Power of Positive Leadership" and invited me to speak at an offsite meeting for his leadership team.

I researched Snap and discovered there was a lot of negativity surrounding the company. Experts said Instagram was coming after their business and they were getting bombarded with negativity and criticism from the media, financial investors, Wall Street, and much of the marketplace.

As I prepared for my talk, I asked Evan what he wanted me to talk about. I knew the people in the room would be many of the most brilliant minds in the industry and I expected to hear words like "research, analytics, case studies, cost-benefit analysis." But instead he simply said, "Help us stay positive. We need to stay positive in the face of all this negativity. We can't let it get to us."

In my talk I did share research, case studies, the cost of negativity, and the benefits of positivity. I find it's helpful when dealing with smart people to make a logical case for positivity. But most importantly I shared how Positive Leaders stay positive to create positive change... and today I want to share a few of these principles/practices with you and your team.

1) Control What You Can Control - It's simple but it's true. You can't control what people are saying and thinking about you. You can't control the competition that is coming after your business. You can't control most things in life but you can control your attitude, your effort and your actions.

2) Create Inside-Out - As I wrote in The Coffee Bean, the

world can be like a pot of boiling hot water. You can be like a carrot that gets weakened when placed in the pot or you can be like an egg that gets hardened (bitter, angry, uncaring) in a tough environment. Or you can be like the coffee bean that transforms the water into coffee. Instead of being impacted by the heat and difficult conditions, it instead transforms the environment it's in. The noise, media, negativity, and criticism only have power over you if you let it. If you know the truth that you create from the inside-out, not outside in, then you won't your circumstances define you. Instead you will be like the coffee bean and work to define your circumstances. When you know the power is on the inside and you create the world with your beliefs, passion, positivity, purpose, work ethic, soul and spirit you become a powerful force in the world.

3) Focus on Solutions instead of Complaints - When things are not going well and you are being bombarded with negativity it's easy to complain. But great leaders don't complain. They focus on solutions. If you are complaining, you are not leading. If you are leading you aren't complaining. Instead of focusing on where you are, think about where you want to go and what you want to create. Instead of complaining about what's holding you back, think about solutions that will propel you forward.

4) Embrace Change - There's a myth that people don't like change. We actually like what change produces. We just don't like the messy transition required to create the change. Individuals and organizations that thrive embrace the entire process of transition and change knowing it leads to improvement and growth.

Throughout history we see that individuals and organizations that embrace the waves of change ride it to a successful future. Those who resist the wave get crushed by it. Leadership is a transfer of belief so it's essential that a leadership team shares their positive belief about change with everyone in the organization.

5) Stay Positive and Do the Work - It may sound cliché but it's a huge key to success. Through challenges, adversity and negativity you must simply stay positive and continue to do the work. You control what you control. Tune out the noise. Focus on solutions. Work hard every day. Embrace change, work together as a team, and create positive change from the inside out. Over time performance improves, the numbers rise, confidence grows, people feel and see the change and then everyone starts talking about why you are succeeding instead of failing.

Do These Ideas Work?

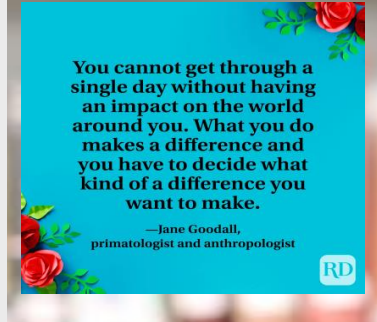
Well, I recently interviewed Evan Spiegel on my Positive University Podcast and asked him about the importance of positivity. He said it had a big impact. If you followed Snap over the last few years you can tell from their growth that they stayed positive, worked together as a leadership team and improved their business. They were no longer letting negativity affect them. They were affecting their company with positivity and Evan said it had the added benefit of recruiting great people to come work for the company. Turns out positive leadership doesn't just help you improve and grow your business. It also attracts great people to it.

—Jon Gordon

# M-C Faculty News

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### Important Dates

5/8	SAT
5/24	EOC—English II Writing
5/25	EOC—English II Reading
5/27	EOC—Algebra I
5/28	EOC US History
5/31	Memorial Day—School/Offices Closed
6/1	EOC—Biology I
6/1	Senior Night Virtual
6/3 & 6/4	Senior Exams
6/5	SAT
6/6	Baccalaureate—Virtual (Tentative)
6/9 & 6/10	Underclassmen Exams
6/9	Half Day for Students
6/10	Half Day for Students
6/11	Teacher Workday & MCHS Graduation

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

wishes to

Donna Bryan (5/1),  
Riley Thomas (5/1),  
Kayla Lawson (5/5),  
Nicole Frick (5/6),  
and Donald Foster (5/8).

## Reminders

**FACULTY FUND**

Don't forget to contribute to the MCHS Faculty Fund. The cost for 2020-2021 is \$15 each.

Please check your mailboxes and e-mail for vital information early each morning.