

June 2021

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Reminders:

- Senior Sports Award Program—
Wednesday, June 2nd—7:00pm
- Convocation—Thursday, June
10th, 6:00pm (Virtual)
- Early Dismissal (12:30pm)-June
11th
- Textbook Collection—Juniors &
Seniors*—12:30-3:00pm-Friday,
June 11th
- Textbook Collection-Freshmen
& Sophomores-12:30-3:00pm-
Monday, June 14th
- Early Dismissal (12:30pm)-June
14th
- Early Dismissal (12:30pm)-June
15th
- Graduation—Class of 2021—
June 15th—5:00pm

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Principal's Newsletter—June 2021

PTO

The Metuchen High School PTO Board would like to thank everyone for their donations to the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon! Please see flyer!

Have a great summer!

IMPORTANT!! TEXTBOOK COLLECTION

TEXTBOOK COLLECTION (Juniors & Seniors* – Friday, June 11th) and (Freshman & Sophomores – Monday, June 14th) If your teacher has not already collected materials, please return all textbooks and novels on the designated days: *Please note ALL SENIORS should have their books returned by June 9th. Any questions, please direct to your classroom teachers.

Friday, June 11 – ½ day – 12:30-3:00 - drop off Juniors and Seniors

World Language - Room 200 (or classroom communicated by WL teacher)

Social Studies - Room 209 (or classroom communicated by Social Studies teacher)

English - Room 128 (or classroom communicated by English teacher)

Science - Room 156 for classes in back hallway (or classroom communicated by Science teacher)

Science – Room 197 for classes in the front hallway and upstairs (or classroom communicated by Science teacher)

Math - Room 150 for classes in back hallway (or classroom communicated by Math teacher)

Math – Room 120 for classes in the front hallway (or classroom communicated by Math teacher)

Art room drop off all Art & Music books

Monday, June 14 – ½ day – 12:30-3:00 - drop off Freshman and Sophomores

World Language - Room 200 (or classroom communicated by WL teacher)

Social Studies - Room 209 (or classroom communicated by Social Studies teacher)

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Enjoy and Have a Safe Summer! See You In September!



The administration, faculty and staff want to wish the Class of 2021 "best of luck in all your future endeavors!"

**Senior Convocation—
Thursday, June 10th**

Members of the Class of 2021 who have excelled in the areas of scholarship, sportsmanship, and service to the school/community will be recognized at Senior Convocation on **Thursday, June 10th at 6:00pm. The program will be virtual.**

Metuchen High School through the generosity of many local individuals and organizations, coordinates a scholarship program for graduating seniors. The winners of these scholarships will also be announced during the Convocation Ceremony on June 10th.

The program will be livestreamed on Facebook Live as well as on the Metuchen Local cable channel (Channel 15).

**Senior Picnic—Monday,
June 14, 2021**

On **Monday, June 14th**, the PTO will hold a picnic for all seniors between morning and afternoon graduation practice (11:00am—12:30pm).

TO: All Senior Parents—if you would like to contribute to the dessert portion of the Senior Picnic, please drop off your "donation" to the Front Office on the morning of the picnic.

Congratulatory Signs

The Metuchen teachers would like to congratulate the **Class of 2021** that has made it through high school, and has faced the challenges of the last 15 months of high school. The teachers, together with the NJEA, will place congratulatory signs on the lawns of graduating seniors. The plan is for this to take place in early June.

GRADUATION 2021

Metuchen High School Commencement Ceremony will be held on **Tuesday, June 15th at 5:00pm**. Graduation, tickets, and the logistics of graduation are discussed with seniors during rehearsals. On the last day of graduation rehearsal, students receive **five** graduation tickets. Graduating seniors do not need a ticket to gain entrance to the MHS Stadium.

The Ceremony is held in the football stadium (weather permitting). If it rains on the 15th, an alert will be sent out advising you that the ceremony has been moved to the raindate (June 16th). Notice of this will go out by the Metuchen High School Alert system by 2:00pm the day of graduation.

Senior parents are advised that all graduates who participate in the ceremony must be properly attired under their gowns (boys must wear pants, socks, shoes, and a shirt with a collar—**shorts, sneakers, sandals, and t-shirts are not permitted**).

All of this information will be explained to the seniors during graduation rehearsals. Please refer to the Closing Calendar for important end-of-year dates.

MHS Booster Club—Senior Sports Awards

TO: All Senior Athletes

The MHS Booster Club and the Athletic Director invite you to attend the Senior Sports Awards on **Tuesday, June 2nd** at 7:00pm in the MHS Stadium. Please click on the link below to for additional information.

[Senior Sports Award Invite](#)

It should be noted that approximately 100 hundred students will be honored.- Senior Convocation



**ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SCHOOL
COUNSELING DEPARTMENT**



SUMMER INSTITUTE 2021

SIGN UP TODAY: Our offerings include workshops and sessions focused on several areas including pre-AP workshops (AP Edge), designed to provide students with a competitive edge in preparing for AP coursework. We also offer math prep classes, learning strategies, and a workshop on the Common Application. Find the brochure and registration form online on our [School Counseling Website](#). **Registration forms are due no later than Friday, June 4, 2021.**



ATTENTION SENIORS

Graduation Survey and Final Transcripts: The Graduation Survey must be completed before June 10th by ALL seniors, not only those planning to attend college -- it is a graduation requirement for all. Selection of Attending College will let us know where to send your final transcript.

Instructions here:

1. Complete the Graduation Survey in Naviance (About Me, Surveys, Surveys Not Started - unless you've started then you'd selected Surveys in Process). You must identify your post-graduation plans and name your attending college here as well.

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If you ARE planning to attend college in the fall:

2. Select your ATTENDING COLLEGE in Naviance (Colleges, Colleges I'm applying to, Select ATTENDING COLLEGE). This is how we'll know where to send your final transcript.

Link to the **Important Things to Know as you Graduate** doc on our homepage.

To-dos for seniors:

https://core-docs.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/asset/uploaded_file/807885/Important Things to Know as you Graduate.pdf

Important:

SENIORS WILL NOT BE SIGNED OUT FROM THE SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT ON SENIOR SIGN-OUT DAY, UNLESS THEY COMPLETE THE GRADUATION SURVEY AND PAY ANY MONIES OWED FOR TRANSCRIPTS.

Transcript Fees

The first three transcripts sent for each senior during the application process are free and a fee of \$1.00 is charged for each additional transcript sent. Payment is due the day of Senior Sign-Out. We will send an email to all families the week before sign-out letting you know the amount due.

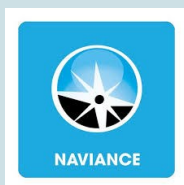
WHERE ARE YOU GOING? Please inform Guidance of all College Admissions Decisions, plans for career training or the military: Please inform us of your college acceptances. As you receive admissions decisions, you need to inform the Guidance & School Counseling Office whether you have been *accepted, wait-listed, deferred or denied* for each school. You may enter this information through your Naviance account under "Colleges I'm applying to" (<https://student.naviance.com/metuchen>). Find the "Results" column of the list and click on the pencil icon.

For additional information on any of the announcements on pages 3 and 4 please contact the MHS Guidance and School Counseling Office at 732-321-8744, ext. 5020

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



“Naviance Student is a web-based service designed to assist you and your child with every aspect of the college and career planning process.”



UPCOMING SAT REGISTRATION DEADLINES: Visit www.collegeboard.org for more information and to register for the test:

Test Date	Registration Deadline
August 28th (Anticipated)	July 28th

If your child receives free/reduced lunch, he/she is eligible for an SAT fee waiver and should stop in Guidance to pick it up. Fee waivers cannot be used for late registration.

UPCOMING ACT REGISTRATION DEADLINES: Visit www.actstudent.org for more info and to register for the test.

Test Date	Registration Deadline
July 17th	June 18th

If your child receives free/reduced lunch, he/she is eligible for an ACT fee waiver and should stop in Guidance to pick it up. Fee waivers cannot be used for late registration.

ARE YOU CONNECTED?

This year we are making it easier than ever for your student(s) to answer the questions that will shape their future. Who am I? What do I want to be? How will I get there? and How Will I Succeed?

Naviance Student is the engaging, mobile-responsive replacement for Naviance Family Connection. It is easy to use with familiar layouts and workflows. Naviance Student, just like Family Connection, is accessible to both students and parents. As a matter of fact, if you already have a username and password for Family Connection, you can use it to log in to Naviance Student at <https://student.naviance.com/metuchen>. Otherwise, contact the School Counseling Department for information on how to get an account.

To watch an Overview of Naviance Student, visit the [MHS School Counseling Page](#).

Dress Code

The weather is getting warmer...please review the dress code guidelines with your child. The guidelines can be found on the high school website — Go to **Our Schools** and click on **Our Students and/or Our Parents Tab**, click on **Dress Code**. It can also be found on the High School Home Page—Go to **Our School** and click on **Home Page**. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



FUCE 5K Virtual Family Fun Run/Walk

The Fuccile Foundation has made the difficult decision to hold the Fuce 5K virtually again this year. We pride ourselves on bringing the community together every Father's Day and feel that we can not ensure the safety of our participants this year. Since it is a family event, we are hoping you will still participate together as a family virtually. We'll run our virtual race from June 20th to June 30th and registration is now open! **In order to secure a t-shirt, registration must be completed by May 15.** T-shirts will not be available for any registrants past this deadline, this applies to both Family Sponsorship levels as well.

Closing Calendar 2021

Please click on link below to view the Closing Calendar for the High School for important dates for the end of the year. Go to www.Metuchenschools.org. Click on Metuchen High School and then go to drop down Our Schools and click on [Home Page](#).

Breaking The Chain Through Education –SAVE THE DATES!! BTC-TOBER

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

6th Annual Dinner—**Thursday, October 14th—6:00pm—9:00pm**—Wilshire Grand in West Orange

4th Annual Sam Liss Memorial 5K—**Sunday, October 31st—9:00 AM**—Metuchen High School

Yearbook News

Yearbooks will be distributed, at the High School, in July (currently we do not have an exact date). Last year we ran out of additional books, so make your purchase early. A special thank you to everyone who donated a book for “A Student in Need.” All yearbooks must be picked up at the high school, we will NOT be mailing books this year. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Wisniewski at lwisniewski@metboe.k12.nj.us.



2021 *Class of* 21

PROJECT SENIORS '21

Graduation is now days away. It's hard to believe this crazy year is coming to a close. We wish every graduate a bright and happy future, fond memories of MHS, and hope that EVERY senior comes out to celebrate with their class for the few remaining FUN FILLED events!



COME DOWN! BE SEEN! Take photos and enjoy the hospitality of our wonderful downtown businesses.

(They're so happy to be doing this FOR YOU!)



June 5th 8:45 PM

Final details to come but SAVE THE DATE! The Downtown Alliance has been so good to the Class of '21. Shop downtown!

2021 *Class of* 21



DRIVE DOWN MEMORY LANE PARADE! Fri June 11 8AM



We'll meet at the Municipal Pool parking lot where you'll get a breakfast bag and then drive by your former schools and through the town you've called home! We'll end at MHS in time for Cap and Gown pick-up and graduation rehearsal. Decorate your car for the journey!

[SIGN-UP HERE](#)

All are encouraged to come out and cheer them on!
We'll send the route once we've finalized it with the MPD.



**SENIOR
VIDEO**



**Baby
Photos!**

We're collecting photos for the tear-jerking class video AND baby photos for the Guess-The-Baby contest. Please send photos (with the student's name in the Subject Line) to MHSPS21@gmail.com. PHOTOS DUE BY JUNE 1

Many of you have already contributed, thank you!

If you haven't yet donated, check out our

[ONLINE DONATION PORTAL!](#)

2021 *Class of*



METUCHEN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2021

PROJECT GRADUATION '21



JUNE 15TH 10PM-2AM

It will be at MHS - we'll claim the building and the NIGHT. We have more than 1/2 the class already registered to attend!! Parents—complete the Permission Slip below to register your senior today!

PERMISSION SLIP - please complete as soon as possible

And don't forget to

LIGHT IT UP BLUE for the CLASS OF '21!

Let's finish strong and bright!



Checkout **our website** for more

information and photos of our past events

If you aren't receiving our email updates, let us know! MHSPS21@gmail.com



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Mission Statement

Metuchen High School, building on a tradition of academic and co-curricular distinction, provides a healthy and safe learning environment which challenges and supports our students. Our technology-rich instruction and diverse curricular offerings are an integral part of an evolving program that meets each student's intellectual, social, and emotional needs.

Our school encourages all students to discover their talents, develop their strengths, and become global citizens with a strong moral compass. We achieve this through exceptional classroom instruction, data-driven decision-making, and emphasis on developing students' 21st Century skills.

We're on the web!

www.metuchenschools.org



NEW DATES!!!! MHS SPRING MUSICAL

MHS Spring Musical – June 4, 5 and 6th

The Metuchen High School Footlighters' Spring Musical is *Little Shop Of Horrors*. A Broadway and Hollywood smash musical, *Little Shop* has devoured the hearts of theatre-goers for over 30 years. The meek floral assistant Seymour Krelborn stumbles across a new breed of plant he names "Audrey II" - Over time, though, Seymour discovers Audrey II's out of this world origins and intent towards global domination!

Performances will be streamed

Information about the production and tickets will be sold at www.mhsfootlighters.com

June 4th, 5th and 6th @7:00 p.m.



Invitation



The Metuchen Booster Club & The Athletic Director
Invite You To Attend The

Senior Sports Awards

To Celebrate All Of Our Senior Student Athletes

MHS Football Stadium

(400 Grove Ave, Metuchen)

Tuesday, June 02, 2021

7pm

Awards & Scholarships will be presented along with team coaches' presentations.

-----Please cut here and promptly return reservation -----

PRINT CLEARLY

Name of Senior Student Athlete _____

Sports participating in: (1) _____ (# of Years Played) _____

(2) _____ (# of Years Played) _____

(3) _____ (# of Years Played) _____

University attending in the fall: _____

Sport (if playing one in college): _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

*Please note that senior athletes must be a member of the MHS
Booster Club to be considered eligible for a Sports Scholarship.*

Return your forms by 5/27/21

**Mail or bring form to
MHS High School Office
MHS Booster Club
400 Grove Ave.
Metuchen, NJ 08840**

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*Thank you so
much for your
donations!*

Your donations for this year's
Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
were greatly appreciated!

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