

December 6, 2021

A Proud Past, A Promising Future

"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."

- Thomas A. Edison

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk **Lunch** – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

• JV Basketball vs. Saluda

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk **Lunch** – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

- Varsity Basketball @ Saluda
- Varsity Wrestling vs. Heathwood Hall & Spring Valley

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk **Lunch** – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

• Varsity Basketball vs. Clinton

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

Breakfast – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk Lunch – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

• JV Basketball vs. Newberry

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk **Lunch** – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

Varsity Basketball vs. Newberry 6:00/7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

- MS/JV Wrestling @ Greenwood Eagles Round Robin
- Varsity Wrestling @ Dutch Fork Silver Fox Individual Tournament

Cafeteria News

All students are provided one Breakfast and one Lunch, daily, at NO COST. Please visit the school café to enjoy your meal which includes fresh fruit, vegetable, whole grains, protein and milk!

Good News

Congratulations to MCHS November Students of the Month, Katie Zolan, Ellie Stewart, Annalise Reyes, and Kaitlyn Buzhardt.

Congratulations to **Mrs. Coleen Makoski**, MCHS' Teacher of the Month and **Mrs. Cheryl Metts**, Support Staff of the Month for November.

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On-going/Opcoming Events

2021-2022 ACT Test @ MCHS

December 11, 2021 February 12, 2022 April 2, 2022 July 16, 2022 **2021-2022 SAT**<u>Test @ MCHS</u>
March 12, 2022
May 7, 2022
June 4, 2022



The Season of Sharing program is a tradition for the student body at Mid-Carolina. Beta Club and Student Council are partnering this year on the Season of Sharing Canned Food Drive that will run from now until December 10th. Donated items will be delivered to the Pomaria Food Bank to help less fortunate families in Newberry County.

There will be a grade level competition, with the grade level that brings in the most cans getting the spirit stick. Students are being asked to label their cans with their grade level and turn them in to their first block teachers.

For those who are able to adopt students from our Angel Tree, gifts need to be turned in by Tuesday, December 7th.

Are you a 9th or 10th grade student in the top 10% of your class? Are you interested in an exclusive program to explore your academic future? Then this exciting opportunity may be for you!



Clemson's Challenge for Academically Talented Students (C-CATS) recruits outstanding students to participate in high-powered weekend retreats.

Through team-building and academic sessions, students gain leadership skills, make lasting friendships, and improve their ability to think clearly and perform under pressure, all while having the time of their lives.

To receive a nomination, you must email Ms. Wicker at swicker@newberry.k12.sc.us or visit her in the Guidance office. She will verify that you qualify and submit a nomination. The cost of attendance is the student/family's responsibility. Additional information can be found online at www.c-cats.org. Deadline for nominations is December 9th.

DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.

Reserve your 2021-2022 yearbook today for \$70. After Christmas the price will increase to \$75.

Yearbook orders are placed on January 23 with the publishing company. A limited number of extras will be ordered. Therefore, if you wish to purchase a yearbook after January 23, your name will be placed on a waiting list. If you receive a yearbook at delivery, payment of \$80 will be expected at time of issue.

WORD POWER

- M LANGUID (lang-gwid) adj. Relaxed. LAUD (lawd) v. To praise in words or song.
- T LAX (laks) adj. Not stringent or energetic. LETHARGY (leth-er-jee) n. Prolonged sluggishness of body or mind.
- LIBERALISM (lib-er-uh-liz-uh m) n. Opposition to conservatism.
 LIGATURE (lig-uh-cher) n. Anything that constricts, or serves for binding or tying.
- LONGEVITY (lon-jev-i-tee) n. Unusually prolonged life. LOQUACIOUS (loh-kwey-shuh s) adj. Talkative.
- LOWLY (loh-lee) adv. Rudely.
 LURID (loo r-id) adj. Ghastly and sensational



M-C Faculty News

Mid-Carolina High School

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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.

WHAT I LEARNED SPENDING THANKSGIVING IN MEXICO

Thanksgiving was different for us this year.

We spent the morning serving breakfast to students at the K'iin Beh school in Mexico. I'm not telling you this because I want you to think we are special for doing it. We are not at all. I'm sharing this with you because a special leader named Daniel Scott, who leads the Rosewood Resort in Mayakoba, Mexico asked the question, "How can we create community and make a difference in our community?"

Daniel Scott knows how to create community. He leads one of the most successful resorts in the world with his infectious positive energy and ability to connect with his leadership team and guests and create connections among them. In fact, during thanksgiving week 80% of the people at the resort were returning guests. The resort is very beautiful but it's clear that people come back because of the people and connections. It's the people that make the place. It's the people and connections that make a resort feel like home and hospitality staff feel like family.

Daniel is a very successful leader because of this ability to inspire his staff to create community but he's an even better human being because of his desire and actions to make a difference in his community.

While looking to partner with and support a local school near the Mayakoba resort he fatefully met Raquel Mitre who arrived at the community of Cristo Rey in 2011 on a bicycle with very little resources but a big calling to start a school and provide education to the children there. By 2015 her school had 120 students from kindergarten to sixth grade, however, they had limited resources, a dilapidated makeshift building and were being kicked off the land where the school was located. It looked like they were going to have to close the school when Raquel met Daniel who agreed to find a way to build a new school for Kiin Beh. With the support of his family, the owners of the Rosewood Mayakoba and donations from guests the school was built in 2017.

Four years later the beautiful bilingual school (they are also currently building a high school) in partnership with the Rosewood Mayakoba resort are transforming the lives of 300 children and will be impacting their future and families for generations.

While driving through the community on the way to the school and then seeing the smiles, joy and gratitude emanating from these kids on Thanksgiving morning, we were not only able to witness the impact of Daniel, Raquel and all the K'iin Beh teachers and supporters but also truly understand and feel what Thanksgiving is all about.

I've spent 49 Thanksgivings in the US going to the parade in NYC, spending it with my now deceased parents and extended family I love dearly, eating my mom's amazing cheesecake and pecan pie and eating a few pounds of mashed potatoes and stuffing with my siblings and cousins, but I have to say that seeing this miraculous and transformative school filled with joyful and grateful kids in Mexico made this my favorite Thanksgiving of all.

...and we will be back and will be supporting the K'iin Beh school going forward. If you feel inspired you can too. Just visit them here: www.kiinbeh.org

- Jon Gordon

When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down "happy". They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life.

---John Lennon

Important Dates

12/8 Student Early Release

12/8 Faculty Meeting

12/16 Exams

12/17 Exams
Half Day for Students
End of 2nd Nine Weeks

12/20- WINTER HOLIDAYS 12/31 SCHOOLS/OFFICES CLOSED

1/3 TEACHER PLANNING & PREPARATION (NO STUDENTS)

1/4 Students Return 1st Day of 2nd Semester

1/10 Report Cards Issued

1/13 Parent Teacher Conferences (PM)

1/14 Parent Teacher Conferences (AM) - No Students

1/17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Schools/Offices Closed

2/12 ACT

2/14 Interim Reports Issued

2/18 Professional Development (No Students/1st Make-Up Day)

2/21 President's Day Holiday Schools/Offices Closed

3/2 Student Early Release



Reminders

FACULTY FUND

Don't forget to contribute to the MCHS Faculty Fund. The cost for 2021-2022 is \$15 each.



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







