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Parent Involvement Can Lead to 'Super' Success

UPCOMING EVENTS

Teacher Institute (No student attendance)	Oct II
No School Columbus Day	Oct 14
End of 1st Quarter	Oct 18
Report Cards Issued	Oct 23
2:00pm Dismissal P/T Conferences 4-7pm	Oct 24
Marshall JHS Hayride at Mill Creek 6:30-9:00pm	Oct 24
No School P/T Conferences	Oct 25
LEIC Girls' Conference Basketball Tournament Location: Paris, IL (Paris Mayo MS)	Oct 25 to Oct 31
Red Ribbon Week	Oct 28 to Nov I
ILMEA District Jazz/ Elementary Choir Festival at EIU	Nov 4
Marshall Schools Foundation Talent Show (6:00pm) MJHS Gym	Nov 12

Many parents wonder how to help their child succeed during the junior high years. Being involved in your child's education is as important now as it was when he or she was in kindergarten! You can support your youngster's learning and make a big difference in their school success.

Ask questions. If you want to know what is going on at school, take the time to ask your child. If they say, "Nothing," follow up with a specific question or statement.

Example: What are you reading about in literature class? Tell me about what part of history you are studying about in history class.

Expect success. Tell your child what you expect from him or her at school - such as trying their best, good attendance, representing themselves in upstanding fashion, and consistent studying. Challenge them to set goals in their class, like "I'm going to improve my math grade." The important thing is for them to learn. Students achieve more when effort is encouraged.

Work together. If something goes wrong at school, take a deep breath before you contact the teacher. Keep in mind that the teacher wants your child to learn as much as you do. Together, find solutions to the problem. Working calmly through difficulties will put your junior high student back on the path of success and learning. Make an effort to talk with all of your child's teachers during Parent/Teacher Conference. Source: *Middle Years*, 2010



Dear MJHS Parents:

An outstanding way to show interest in your child's education is to participate in Parent/Teacher Conferences on October 24 and October 25. On October 24 conferences are from 4:00pm-7:00pm, and on October 25 they are from 8:00am-11:00am. You can call the junior high office (217) 826-2812 and make appointments or drop in during the aforementioned times.

By attending conferences with your child's teachers,

you can build partnerships that will improve your child's education, as well as their overall school experience. Planning some questions ahead of time will allow you to discuss critical issues concerning your child's education. Also, share important information about your child, including their strengths and weaknesses, to allow teachers to gain a better understanding of your child and their needs. Remember to stay positive and be prepared to assist teachers in developing solutions that will

enable your child to achieve at their maximum potential.

After a week or two please feel free to check back with the teacher to see if the plan is working, or if there needs to be modifications made. Your participation in your child's education is correlated to their academic success. We at MJHS look forward to meeting with you at Parent/Teacher Conferences and in working with you to better your student's education, and their MJHS experience. Hope to see you there!

It's a Great Day to be a Lion Cub!

Tony Graham, MJHS Principal



MJHS News Shorts



Congratulations 7th Grade **PAWS Members!**

The following 7th graders were recommended by teachers to become PAWS members: Lexi Beverly, Claire Campbell, Zara Engledow, Jayna Hightshoe, Jackson Green, Seaver Kessler, Toby Sanders, and Nathan Atwood. The criteria the teachers considered included being a good role model, having a positive attitude, taking school work and attendance seriously, and willing to take initiative. PAWS stands for:

> Peers Actively Working with **Students**



MJHS Hayride







MJHS students are invited to the annual hayride sponsored by the City of Marshall and the MJHS Booster Club, on October 24 from 6:30-9:00pm at Mill Creek Park. Please dress appropriately for the weather. There is no cost and chaperones will be provided. More information will be provided closer to the time of the event.

RED



Marshall JHS students and staff will promote Send a Message. Stay Drug Fee

during October 28-November 1 for Red Ribbon Week. Red Ribbon Week is the oldest and largest drug prevention campaign in the United States. It serves as a vehicle for communities and individuals to take a stand for the hopes and dreams of our children to live drug free lives.

MJHS STUDENT COUNCIL

We would like to congratulate the following 7th and 8th grade students for being elected by their peers as members of the MJHS Student Council. The student council assists in promoting/sponsoring schoolwide events, such as food drives, holiday collections, concession stand work, and peer tutoring. Council members are school representatives which are held to lead by positive example both academically and through action. This year we are excited to recognize the following members.

7th Grade: Taylor Akers, Lexi Beverly, Claire Campbell, Anna Cowan, Abigail Davis, Zara Engledow, Coy Bender, Quintin Carrier, Bentley Delp, Jeremy Frailey, Jackson Green, & Mason McKillop

8th Grade: Aubrey Beal, Evynn Bleekman, Abbie Cowan, Ava Houpt, Sophie Smith, Mary Webber, Will Crumrin, Brandon Gettinger, Trey Hammons, RJ Mattas, Avery Sheets, & Drake Schwoebel

'Puppet Masters' of the 7th Grade

Mrs. Miller's 7th grade Family Consumer Science class made sock puppets. Students learned how to thread a needle, tie a knot,



and sew buttons. Each students designed and made their own puppet and then created skits that they practiced and then performed for the children at the Project Help Preschool.

Reminder from Nurse Tina

The State of Illinois gives students until October 15 to become compliant with health mandates for students, which include up-to-

date vaccinations. Please contact Nurse Tina or the office if you have any questions or concerns. Unfortunately, students not meeting state compliance are excluded from school on October 15.

August & September Students of the Month

Each month will have a different character trait that will be focused on when selecting deserving students. This month's character trait was SELF-WORTH (August), liking, taking care of, and valuing others and oneself.

RESPECT (September), recognizing, considering, and properly, honoring the worth of one's self and others.

Congratulations to our August & September Students of the Month!



Jayna Hightshoe & Ty Harper (Aug) Sarah Berlin & Toby Sander (Sept)

Alanna Maas & Gaje Maurer(Aug) Ahnna Tipton & Elisha Duncan (Sept)