



MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL



GOLDEN WILDCAT GAZETTE

December 2022

ACADEMIC SHOWCASE

"Theater Dept."

Melrose High School Drama Club is designed for students interested in learning more about the aspects of theater. This includes learning stage terminology, working on acting skills, set building, and costumes/makeup design. The Drama Club is open to all students. The purpose of the club is to provide an opportunity for students interested in all aspects of theatre (onstage and backstage) to learn about theatre and perform for their peers and the community. The goal is to promote communication skills, teamwork, socialize, build self-confidence, stimulate creativity, imagination, movement, and to develop a better understanding of human behavior, empathy, and sympathy through reading a diverse selection of plays. Melrose Drama Club Drama club can write skits, narrate events, perform, and support any school activity.

Annie "Hard Knock Life" is the kickoff to a fabulous season!

Come join us December 15, 2022, at Melrose High School auditorium. The show starts promptly at 1:00 p.m., so please arrive 15 minutes early to be seated and enjoy the holiday celebration!

Dr. Cooper, Theater Dept. Sponsor



ATHLETICS

- Basketball vs Middle College Dec 6
- Basketball @ Central Dec 9
- Basketball vs PCA Dec 12
- Basketball @ Middle College Dec 14
- Basketball vs Central Dec 16
- Basketball Holiday Hoopfest Dec 19-23 Boys Only



UPCOMING EVENTS

- School Level CFA's, Dec 1-2
- National Special Education Day, Dec 2
- Honor Students' Field Trip, Dec 2 9:00am-1:00pm
- AP Preview Day, Dec 3 8:00am-3:00pm @ East High
- Fall End of Course Exams, Dec 5
- District CFA for Algebra I & II, Biology, ELA I & II, Geometry, Dec 8-13
- 1st Semester Exams, Dec 14-16
- MHS Holiday Musical "Annie", Dec 15 1:00pm Auditorium
- Winter Break, Dec 19-30



WISHING ALL STUDENTS, FAMILIES, COMMUNITY MEMBERS & STAFF "A HAPPY HOLIDAYS"

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING.

SELF HELP TIP :

In December, the SEL focus is resilience and goal setting.

Here are 5 ways to build resilience.

1. **THINK POSITIVE.** You can't always control life-changing events, but you can control how you respond to them.
2. **LOOK AFTER YOURSELF.** Stress is just as much physical as it is emotional, so it's important to look after both body and mind.
3. **USE YOUR SUPPORT NETWORK.** Whether it's friends, family or colleagues, connecting with others is vital.
4. **WORK TOWARDS A GOAL.** If you have a big goal that seems insurmountable – such as taking the ACT or passing a big exam, break it down into smaller, more manageable milestones.
5. **SEEK HELP.** Asking for help is a sign of strength, not weakness – and it helps to build emotional resilience.

During this time of Final Exams, let's all try to build resilience and set goals that we can work towards accomplishing.

REMINDERS

- School starts @ 7:15am, breakfast @ 7:00am
- Students must be in school uniform daily
- Send note to attendance office after every absence
- Students are expected to bring their charged device with charger to school daily
- Students must complete ALL EXAMS before Winter Break!
- Parents check your student's attendance, grades, assignment due dates and conduct in the PowerSchool App daily (download from the App Store on cellular device)

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH

SENIOR, JEREMIAH WHITLEY

Jeremiah is a senior here at Melrose High. His favorite school subject is math. His hobbies are playing video games and hanging out with his friends. He plans to be a professional Youtuber, so he will be able to do the thing he loves most. (Video games)

Jeremiah was selected by his senior teachers because he is a knowledgeable and observant student. He is at school each day on time. He is responsible enough to assist other students in getting on task and completing assigned task. Jeremiah strives to get his assignments completed in a timely manner. He does not talk much but does know how to communicate with others and advocate as necessary. Jeremiah embodies the 5'Ps!



STAFF OF THE MONTH

DEC, DR. COOPER

Dr. Jonetta Cooper works for Melrose High School as a DEC teacher but acts in multiple capacities. She is the theater director, a peer mentor, and aspiring school leader. Her passion is quality education for all students. Dr. Cooper is a UofM Alumni with a B.A in Mass Communications, a distinguished graduate of Liberty University with a M.A.T in Special Education, and Ed.D in Educational Administrative Leadership. Her Philosophy in education is order, excellence, and respect as a disciplinarian of K-12 teaching and learning.

Dr. Cooper was chosen by her peers because she is an advocate for all students. She is consistent, caring, and believes all students can succeed. She is a role model for teachers and students. Dr. Cooper supports both students and teachers as a professional and team player! She goes the extra mile in all she does for Melrose High School. Thanks for bringing live theater back to the school!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

JUNIOR, TANIYA PEGUES

Taniya is a junior here at Melrose High. Her favorite subject as of now is Algebra II. Her hobbies include learning new languages, listening to music, and practicing volleyball when she is not at work. She hopes to become a professional volleyball player and get a scholarship to Kentucky State University. Apart from professional playing volleyball she wants to open her own business working with computers.

Taniya was selected by her junior teachers because she is the definition of perseverance, she has overcome obstacles and gotten back on track and is excelling in class. While out, she continued all course work through Microsoft Teams and didn't miss any assignments or due dates. Taniya embodies Perseverance!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

SOPHOMORE, JULIUS FLETCHER

Julius is a sophomore here at Melrose High. He is part of the Melrose High Football Team; his position is an outside linebacker. His favorite subject is English because he loves to read. When he graduates, he plans on going to college for football but if that doesn't work, he wants to be a Professional Chef.

Julius was selected by his sophomore teachers because he is someone who takes ownership not only of his own learning but also of the space that he is in. He's not afraid to acknowledge when he's struggling or to ask for help when he's confused. He always ensures that his space is clean, even staying after the bell rings to help put everything back in its place. He demonstrates an eagerness to grow and improve at every step, and he looks out not only for himself but also for his classmates. Julius embodies Positivity!



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

FRESHMAN, KEYMOND JONES

Keymond Jones is a freshman here at Melrose High. He is part of the Melrose High School Football Team. His positions include free safety and quarterback. His favorite subject is math because he loves solving equations and working with numbers. When he graduates, he wants to continue football in college and go professional. If that doesn't go as planned, he wants to be a truck driver, create his own trucking company and deliver goods.

Keymond was selected by his freshman teachers because he is always punctual, participates and engages in class discussions. He sits in the front row and adds to the lesson. He completes his assignments and asks questions when he needs more clarity. He is an overall great student to have in the classroom. Keymond embodies the 5 P's!



"PUNCTUAL-PRODUCTIVE-PREPARED-POSITIVE-PERSEVERANT"



TOGETHER WE MUST BELIEVE.
TOGETHER WE WILL ACHIEVE.
TOGETHER WE ARE REIMAGINING 901!