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Jumping into Spring

We are into the full swing of spring. As spring begins, we realize that summer is also approaching fast. Before we can get there, there is much work to be done. Our seniors are being accepted into colleges and enjoying the benefits of their four years of hard work. Our freshmen are gearing up for their PSAT test on Tuesday; and all of our students are prepping for end-ofcourse exams, AP testing, dual enrollment end-

of-semester exams, etc...

We must press into our studies, deadlines, and our end goal...excellence! Let's make a plan to allocate the appropriate time to our studies, our academic growth, and our academic deadlines, to ensure that we are in a position to see the fruits of our labor when the time comes to apply to college, receive scholarships and pursue careers beyond high school.

We must keep our eyes on the prize...options! Champions always seem to find a way to rise. We are Middle College! MARCH 21, 2021



Happening this Week!

9th Grade PSAT testing Tuesday, March 23

- Students should arrive at **7:45 am**, with a mask, calculator(if borrowed from the school), and a positive attitude.
- Temperatures will be taken, and students will be assigned to their designated room for the duration of the test.
- Test rooms will be limited to ensure proper social distancing and safety. Upon completion, students will be provided a sack lunch as they depart.
- **Testing should conclude around noon**. Students will be excused from class for the remainder of the day.
- This test is used as a guide to assign students to courses that best fit their ability level including advanced placement, dual enrollment, etc...

10th - 12th grade Tuesday, March 23

- Students enrolled in AP Language will attend their morning class as normal.
- Students enrolled in CBU virtual courses will follow the normal schedule
- All other students will engage in asynchronous work to ensure they continue learning and keep on pace with their coursework.
- In-person students will still be able to come to school.

Friday Intervention Details

- Over the past two weeks, students have been provided the opportunity on Fridays to engage in intervention and enrichment.
- This arrangement was created to help students who were feeling overwhelmed with coursework, needed time to catch up, or wanted opportunities to press ahead.
- After this Friday, we will revisit students' progress and benefits to decide if we will continue with intervention Fridays.
- Please check in with your student to review their grades and progress. Several students are struggling with time management, an inability to balance jobs and rigorous schoolwork, and emotional fatigue.

Return to Sports!

If you are interested in any of the Spring sports below, please fill out this <u>FORM</u> immediately. Documentation and verification are needed prior to students participating. Please contact the coaches for a specific sport, if interested.

Softball Girls'/Boys' Tennis Girls' Track and Field Boys' Track and Field Boys/Girls Soccer	Jonathon Jones - jonesj29@scsk12.org Calvin Brown - browncb@scsk12.org Ted Houston - houstonta1@scsk12.org Kadel Macklin - macklinka@scsk12.org Jervis Williams - williamsjl3@scsk12.org Marcus Thomas - manetane86@gmail.com
 Requirements to play sports at Middle College High School Athletic Health Record Forms COVID-19 Forms Sudden Cardiac Arrest Concussion in sports Doctor's physical completed and a copy on file with Athletic department 	
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Thank you to those that attended our 3rd town hall meeting. If you missed it, you may still access a recording of the meeting using the same link below.

LINK HERE FOR MEETING

Our next town hall meeting will be April 7th at 5:30, mark your calendars.



Is my student on track?



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Student Readiness Tracker

The purpose of this tracker is to help Bulldog families evaluate if students are on track to being college and career ready according to MCHS' mission and vision.

By end of 8th grade year, I have:

- Taken the ACT
- Researched the admission requirements for at least 5 colleges/universities
- Researched the certification/licensure requirements for at least one career of interest.

By end of FRESHMEN year, I have:

- At least a 19 Composite on the ACT test
- A 3.5 GPA or better average on all of my coursework for 9th grade year
- Added at least five colleges to my Naviance account as favorites
- Completed at least 25 hours of community service
- Passed English I, Biology and Algebra I EOC at the on track or mastery level

By end of SOPHOMORE year, I have:

- At least a 21 Composite on the ACT test
- Completed at least two EPSOs (AP courses, DE courses, industry certifications)
- A 3.5 GPA or better average on all of my coursework for 10th grade year
- Completed at least 50 hours of community service
- Passed English II and Geometry EOC at the on track or mastery level

By end of JUNIOR year, I have:

- At least a 23 Composite on the ACT test
- Completed at least FOUR EPSOs
- A 3.5 or better average on all of my coursework for 11th grade year
- Completed at least 75 hours of service
- Passed Algebra II and U.S. History EOC at the on track or mastery level
- Participated in at LEAST one sport or competitive organization



By end of SENIOR year, I have:

- Been accepted to at LEAST five colleges of my choice AND offered some scholarship money.
- Been offered at LEAST one full-need scholarship
- Achieved Ready Graduate status, 100 hours of service, and leadership experience in a club or sport.
- Completed at LEAST 10 independent scholarship applications with fidelity.

Bulldogs on the move...



Shout out to Mr. Jones and the Alpha Beta Kingz as they volunteered to work with Sanitas Medical, an area clinic, as they hosted a mobile food drive, handing out hundreds of boxes of family staples in partnership with the Mid-South Food Bank Saturday, March 13, 2021. They were featured in the commercial appeal for their amazing service work. **CLICK HERE to see the full article** and more pictures. We are so proud of these young men. Keep up the good work, supporting our community! We are Middle College!

Shout out to the class of 2021 Senior, Amiya Boyd! Amiya was recognized as a Girl Who Means Business. The Memphis Business Journal recognizes female high school students who exemplify excellence in school involvement, both academically and in extracurricular endeavors, as well as in community service and other ways they go above and beyond on a daily basis. Way to represent MCHS!



Bulldogs on the move...

Our Bulldogs are constantly doing amazing things, we are so excited to highlight them!



Shout out to the class of 2022 Sophomore, Kirsten Harrell! Kirsten has served as a Youth Volunteer for the Zion Community Project since 2019. She has been

instrumental in conducting research to support the project.

Founded in 1876 by a group of freed slaves calling themselves the Sons of Zion, this cemetery on South Parkway in Memphis was the African American community's major cemetery for approximately 40 years. Zion Cemetery is the oldest African American cemetery in Memphis.

This past week, Kirsten was recognized for her work with the Teen Volunteer Service of the Year Award! Keep up the good work.

Shout out to another class of 2022 Sophomore, Kenedi Garrett! Kenedi was accepted to participate in the Wake Forest Summer Immersion Program with a scholarship! The program is a hands-on learning experience offered for high school students to dive deep into a field of study with access to world-class faculty, researchers, and industry professionals. This is a great way to learn about potential colleges and careers. Way to go!



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Cooking - It's a family affair!







This week the cooking club featured Mariah Lanier and her mother who demonstrated how to cook a southern special, beignets! Yum, we love family cooking!