Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



Good evening Mavericks! This is Matt Lasher, Assistant Principal with your weekly announcements.

Thank you to all Mavericks who participated in our Bully Awareness Week and our antibullying campaign. This week was a success and brought to light an important topic for our stu-

dents, staff, and parents in an effort to stop bullying for good.

This past Saturday Marvin Ridge hosted the Inaugural Rumble at the Ridge wrestling tournament. Congratulations to Coach Harris and all of our wrestlers for winning the team title over 16 other teams.

Congratulations to Ms. MRHS and Union County Parade Princess Cara Edwards, who was named the overall Carolinas Carrousel Scholarship winner in a surprise presentation at school on Thursday. She will be featured in the Novant Health Carolinas Carrousel Thanksgiving Day Parade in Charlotte. Cara was chosen among 43 candidates from area high schools in North and South Carolina for her academic achievement, community involvement, as well as a personal essay and interview skills. Great job, Cara!

This week is a short week due to Thanksgiving Holiday, November 27-December 1. Our school building and office will be closed on those days. However, we will host a basketball against Central Cabarrus on Monday night. Coming up after the break, Winter Sports will be in full swing, with track, basketball, and wrestling in action. Please check the attached Maverick Message and our website for more details and times.

Report Cards for the second six weeks will be issued to students on Wednesday, December 4th.

The MRHS Theatre Department will present their winter production, The Phantom Tollbooth on December 6, 7 and 8.

We hope that everyone will have a safe and restful holiday and enjoy this time of thanks and giving. Thank you and have a great evening, Mavericks!



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- Morning routine: The first bell rings at 7:50; students are cleared from the cafeteria as well as the student and bus lots at this time. Students are not allowed to linger in these areas in the interest of their safety. The tardy bell rings at 8:00.
- Afternoon pick-up is also in the front of the school only! Parents, you will be asked to move if you are parked in the back of the school.
- Please, no outside vendors may be brought in for student lunches!

Planning ahead... Preliminary First Semester Exam Schedule

(A more detailed schedule with times and review sessions will be published and available on our website in the coming weeks).

Monday, January 13—First Block Exam Tuesday, January 14—Second Block Exam Wednesday, January 15—Third Block Exam Thursday, January 16—Fourth Block Exam Friday, January 17—Make-up Exams

**Exams include all EOC, IMS, NC Common, and Teacher-Made tests. Per new NCDPI regulations, all exams <u>must</u> be taken by Friday, January 17 and no exams can be given early.

**Please be aware of the UCPS calendar for the week after exams. We have a holiday on Monday, January 20, and two teacher workdays on Tuesday, January 21 and Wednesday, January 22. Second semester will begin for students on Thursday, January 23.

**Schedule change forms for second semester courses will be available in the guidance office beginning Monday, January 13, 2014. No schedule changes will be considered or before that time. Approved reasons for schedule changes will be published on our website and in a future newsletter.

Happy Thanksgiving, Mavericks!



- The office and school building will be closed November 27-December 1. Please enjoy this time with your families!
- There will be no Maverick Message or Newsletter on December 1.

Attention Seniors and Parents!

Please look for a postcard from Prestige-Lifetouch regarding your senior pictures and final choices for the yearbook. The Lifetouch website has been repaired and new deadlines will apply. The postcard will include all important details!

Attention all club president and club members!

Club pictures for the yearbook are scheduled for Tuesday, December 3. Please be sure your club roster has been submitted to Mr. Zorn and Ms. Titus. Thanks!



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Maverick Athletics...from Athletic Director Kevin

Last Week's Results:

Varsity Basketball Boys and Girls lose to Ardrey Kell. Congratulations to the Boys and Girls Swimming team for their first place finishes at the Black and Gold Invitational. Great Job to the Wrestling team on winning the Inaugural Rumble at the Ridge. Josh Younis finished first, Royce Rammer finished second, Nic Davilla and Brandon Kelly finished third and Ryan More, Hunter Boone, Jason Thompson, Matthew Wahler, and Christian Beach all finished fourth.

Save the Date: Fall Sports Awards Night, December 16

Coming up this week:

Monday, November 25 Basketball vs Central Cabarrus @ Home starting at 4pm

Tuesday, November 26 Maverick Wrestling Duals @ MRHS

November 27-Dec 1: Thanksgiving Holiday

Monday, December 2 No events

Tuesday, December 3 Basketball vs Charlotte Latin and Charlotte Country Day; Winter Track Distance Meet @ Weddington Wrestling @ Porter Ridge

Wednesday, December 4 Basketball vs Nattion Ford (varsity only) 6 and 7:30

Thursday, December 5 Wrestling vs Rocky River and Parkwood

Friday, December 6 Basketball vs CATA (varsity only) 6 and 7:30

Saturday, December 7 Mini-Mav Dance Clinic JV Wrestling @ Rock Hill TBA

Goodo Mavericks!

A Day in Maverick history! Two State Champions!



Three bus loads traveled to the campus of NC State University and Raleigh on Saturday and brought home loads of accolades and happy Mavericks! In one venue, Dail Stadium at Derr Track, the Men's Soccer Team met the Cardinals of Jacksonville High School, the returning champions of the AAA bracket. In another, our Varsity Girls Cheerleading Squad was about to compete in the Medium Varsity Division on the mat at the Raleigh Convention Center.

In a thriller that was the highest scoring game in NCHSAA history, Klint Parker scored his second and the winning goal with less than two minutes remaining in the match. Mavs led 4-1 at the half, allowing the Cardinals to score three straight, before snapping out of it and exchanging a two tied scores. Other goals were scored by Kyle Enoch, Will Green, and Eric Newsome. With two goals as well, and one assist, senior Kyle Enoch was named MVP of the Championship.

A huge Maverick Orange Crush section, blackedout for this one, made the road trip to the Capital. Other Maverick fans and parents were joined late by several

varsity cheerleaders, who ran over to see the victory while waiting on their final results. NCHSAA hosts the Cheer Invitational each year, with 140 teams in this year's event. The girl competed in and won their division around 3:00 P.M., but winners were not announced until the awards ceremony began at 8:30 P.M. What a great day to be a Maverick!!

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Guidance and School Counseling Updates

Special Programs:

PROJECT UPLIFT: Project Uplift (PU) is a unique opportunity that enables high-achieving rising seniors to experience college life on the Carolina campus. Students spend two days attending academic classes, meeting with faculty and staff, interacting with Carolina students, and participating in cultural and social activities. Students can select one of the following four dates to attend PU: May 22-24, May 29-May 31, June 5-7, and June 12-14. There is a nonrefundable \$25 registration fee; beyond that, Project Uplift is an all-expense paid program, including meals, room, and program materials (excluding travel costs). Who is eligible for nomination? Project Uplift is designed for students from diverse backgrounds, including those from historically underrepresented populations (African American, American Indian, Latina/o, Asian American, first-generation college, rural areas and/or disadvantaged backgrounds). Students should be academically motivated, and be enrolled in the most rigorous academic curriculum that may include AP, IB, and/or dual enrollment courses. How am I nominated? Counselors will be asked to nominate students in December. Please contact your school counselor for more information.

Scholarships of the Week:

Eagle Scout Academic Scholarship: This scholarship application is open to all current Eagle Scouts that have received credentials from the national office. By filling out this application it will qualify you for the Mabel and Lawrence S. Cooke Scholarship Endowment, the United Health Foundation, and the National Eagle Scout Scholarship Fund. **Applications are due no later than December 31, 2013**. For more information and requirements go to http://www.nesa.org/2013_scholarships.html and click on the scholarships tab.

Junior Elon Scholars Application & Nominations: The Junior Elon Scholars program serves academically talented high school juniors. These students demonstrate superior academic achievement and exceptional involvement in those activities which are highly valued as part of an Elon education. Selection is not based upon financial need. Benefits include the opportunity for early notification of acceptance to Elon, early consideration for a Presidential Scholarship valued at \$18,000 over four years, and an invitation to apply for Elon's prestigious Fellows Academic and Scholarship Programs. Candidates of a NC Junior Elon Scholars award should have: an "A" average, combined critical reading, math and writing SAT score of 1900 or higher or an ACT composite of 29 or higher, PSAT scores of 190 or higher or a PLAN score of 29 or higher, co-curricular achievements that should demonstrate sustained commitment and leadership. All SAT dates up to and including January 25th and all ACT dates up to and including December 14th prior to award notification beginning early March. The application is available online at <u>www.elon.edu/apply</u>. See Ms. Kanna for more information and applications.



Scholarship Total: The Class of 2014 has reported over \$1,456,800 in scholarship money so far! Continue to send in your scholarship offers to Ms. Kanna to be included in the graduation program and to be recognized at the Award Day Ceremony in May.

College Visits: The following colleges are coming to visit in November & December! Please check in guidance to sign up to attend a short information session during the school day: Naval Academy (11/26), Georgia Regents University (12/2 in café).

PowerSchool Parent Portal Information

Letters with logins for each high school student may be picked up in the main office now during regular office hours, 8:00-5:00. However, please be patient if staff members are involved with assigned duties.



6.00-9.00 p.m.

Need a night out, some time alone, or time to holiday shop? Marvin Ridge High School's Student Council is hosting its 7th Annual Parents' Night Out. All elementary school aged children are invited to attend.

To register, visit the following link: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E45A8A722A7F58-parents

COST:

First child \$20.00 Additional child \$10.00

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

*Arts & Crafts *Games *Scavenger Hunt *Snacks

On the day of the event, please walk your child(ren) to the front of Marvin Ridge High School to sign-in. Sign in will begin at 5:30. If you have any questions please contact Lindsey Arant at Marvin Ridge High School at <u>lindsey.arant@ucps.k12.nc.us</u>.

The link again...if not automatic, please copy and paste into your browser: <u>http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E45A8A722A7F58-parents</u>

Mini-Mav Dance Clinic! Sat

Saturday, December 7th from 9-12. Please contact Coach Christine

Brent for more information.

The girls will perform at the Friday night December 13th girls varsity half time. Once again this year we will donate all proceeds to the Isabella Santos Foundation which raises money to cure childhood cancer and a foundation we have supported for over 5 years. The girls would like to do a purple out night as that was Isabella's favorite color.

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The Flamingos Are Back!

Are you looking for a fun and creative way to celebrate a holiday, birthday, anniversary, birth, graduation, first tooth, first date, first car, first home, etc? The Marvin Ridge High

School Women's Ensemble will flock your celebrant's yard with 2 dozen pink flamingos for a \$30 donation to the MRHS Choral Guild. The lovely birds visit your celebrant's yard for 24 hours and are delivered under a cloak of darkness. Please call the lovely and talented Kathryn Lavalle: 704-288-7470, Jamie Fleischman: 704-787-4826, Ariana Martinez: 586-623-7649, or Deborah Lutz, 704-290-1520 to schedule a flock-



The MRHS Academic Booster Club is pleased to announce that Ms. Patricia Morgan and Mr. Steven Wilson have been awarded mini-grants for the fall semester. Congratulations! A big THANK YOU to our membership for making this possible!

Two Marvin Ridge Teachers Win Grants





Kim Cooke, a Health and PE teacher along with Chris Roncone, an Art teacher were both presented with checks from the Union County Education Foundation. Ms. Cooke's grant will be used for students to create their own GoAnimate videos for class credit. In Health class, students will apply the healthful living essential standards by creating their own GoAnimate videos to demonstrate understanding of each core standard. When videos are completed, students will have the opportunity to "Show and tell" their project in class for credit. In Mr. Roncone's class, students will use the grant to expand art projects into 3D by creating sculptures that are situation based on events that happen in school. Students will utilize an inquiry based methodology to create an original, site specific sculpture in, and on, the Marvin Ridge High School campus. The sculptures will be created utilizing clear packaging tape, paint, and other materials as required by the students' designs. Footage and interviews will be taken during the planning, creation, and installation phases, as will student reactions to the sculptures after they have been installed on campus. The video footage will be utilized by Ms. Van Oldens' class and integrated into her curriculum for student editing and post production learning skills.

Union County Christmas Parade...Go Mavericks!

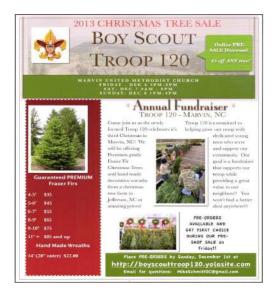




Special Annoucements...Save the Dates!

MRHS will host a Financial Aid Informational Night on Monday, **December 9th**, 2013 at 6:30 pm in MRHS Auditorium. David Gelinas, Senior Associate Dean & Director of Financial Aid at Davidson College will present on all the ways to "find" money for your student to attend college! Mark your calendars for this very important and informative presentation.

Attention 10th, 11th, & 12th Grade Students - are you unsure of what you want to be when you grow up? If so please come to the guidance office and sign up to take the ASVAB. The ASVAB is a career interest inventory that is FREE! The test is scheduled for Wednesday, **December 11th** during 1st and 2nd period.



Help Local Boy Scout Troop and get your Holiday Tree!

Please see our website to find the full page ad:

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