Marvin Ridge High School Maverick Message



Seniors enjoy camel rides during their day at the Renaissance Festival in Huntersville, NC. Thanks to all Teachers, chaperones, and students for a great day!





AD Tom Jamerson represented the Mavericks at the UNC-Chapel Hill Football Game to receive the Wells Fargo 3A State Championship Cup.



Benchmark Assessment Schedule-

All courses at Marvin Ridge High School will have benchmark assessments during the next two weeks. UCPS District Benchmark Assessments will be given October 21-24 in English II (Tuesday); Biology (Wednesday); Spanish I, Spanish II, French I, Chinese I, German I (Wednesday); Math I and II (Thursday); American History I, Civics, and World History (Friday). All other course benchmarks will take place October 27-31.

The mission of Marvin Ridge High School is to educate all students in a safe, inspiring, and globally aware environment that promotes respect for diversity, lifelong learning, challenging athletics, and extra-curricular experiences that foster successful living.



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Breast Cancer Awareness Month continues through October.

Mr. Montroy chosen as Teacher of the Year 2014-2015



Nominated by his peers and selected by an interview committee, Social Studies teacher and football coach Matthew Montroy is the 2014-2015 Teacher of the Year for Marvin Ridge High School.

This is Mr. Montroy's seventh year of teaching, all of which have been as a Maverick. He is passionate about learning and reaching students on a personal level as well communicating about history. Through the years, he has taught a variety of courses, from Civics to AP US History, but this year he is teaching a course he truly loves and helped establish here at Marvin Ridge, Cold War History. "The fact that the Cold War sets up our current history makes it extremely relevant. The course allows me to teach students about events that shape our world today in hopes that we do not repeat the mistakes of the past. " No worries, though, he will pick up with AP US History again in the Spring.

Outside of the classroom, Mr. Montroy has served as a varsity football coach for seven years, and advises many clubs and student organizations. This year he is working with the Spirit Club, Rho Kappa, and the newest Patriot Club. Originally from New York state, he moved to North Carolina to begin his teaching career and coach. He attended Hobart College for his Bachelor's degree and completed his Master of Science in Adolescent Education with a concentration in History at St. John Fisher College. He is an avid board and video game enthusiast, and very excited about representing Marvin Ridge in the district competition for UCPS Teacher of the Year. Congratulations, Mr. Montroy!



Miss Teen USA NC 2015 Jane Axhoj

Marvin Ridge Junior Jane Axhoj was crowned Miss Teen USA North Carolina on October 11 in High Point, NC. She will move on to represent the state in the Miss Teen USA pageant next August in Texas. She is in the top 10% of the Class of 2016, a member of the Beta club, and the French National Honor Society. Outside of school, she has been dancing since she was three years old, and currently performs with Miller Street Dance Academy.



Miss Marvin Ridge High School 2014 Sophia Garrison

Congratulations to Sophia Garrison who was selected to be our Miss Marvin Ridge High School 2014. She will compete against representatives from other UCPS high schools for a \$4,000 scholarship and opportunity to be the Monroe Parade Princess. Sophia is in the IB Program, is active in theater, and participates in a variety of ways with her church, including working in an orphanage in Mexico.

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Maverick Athletics....from Athletic Director Tom Jamerson

Last Week's Results:

<u>Football</u> JV FB lost 14-6 to Sun Valley V FB won 37-20 over Sun Salley

Soccer

JV soc defeated Cuthbertson 5-0 V soc defeated Cuthbertson 1-0 V soccer defeated piedmont 6-2

<u>Cross-Country</u> XC girls SCC champs XC boys SCC runner up

<u>Golf</u> Girls Tennis state playoff win over Pisgah HS 9-0

Girls Golf won SCC conference championship

<u>Volleyball</u> In SCC tourney, defeated Anson 3-0 then Weddington 3-9 for championship. In NCHSAA state tournament, defeated N. Buncombe 3-0 <u>This Week's Schedule:</u> Monday—October 20: Soccer—Away @ Sun Valley

Tuesday—October 21:

Volleyball @ Home - second round of NCHSAA playoffs

Tennis @ State Playoffs Golf@ Regionals

Wednesday—October 22:

Soccer @ Home v. Weddington

Thursday—October 23:

JV Football @ Piedmont-6:30 PM

Volleyball @ Hickory HS—3rd Round of NCHSAA Playoffs

Friday—October 24:

Football—Home v. Piedmont, Senior Night



Congratulations to the members of the Women's Golf Team for winning the conference. A special shout out to Morgan Laird for being named MVP of the conference and for winning the tournament by shooting a 73. Ahra Ko shot a 79 and was also named all-conference along with Abby Duggan. Haley McCrossan and Tegan Sullivan will also be joining them at Regionals next week. Way to go ladies! Saturday—October 25: Mavericks host Cheer Showcase XC @ McAlpine for Regionals

Congratulations to our three Conference Coaches of the Year!!



Brook Hammers, Volleyball



Julie van Olden, Tennis



Cameron Starr, XC

Follow the Mavs on Twitter! @MavAthletics

Yearbook News

Attention Mavericks: Download the Replay It App on your Smartphone and send the yearbook staff your pictures! Parents and students can both use the App to send us pictures of your big moments and for senior ads!



Maverick Senior News and Updates



College Acceptances and Scholarships should be reported to Guidance. Your counselor is excited to hear your great news. The previous graduating class earned over \$19 million in scholarship dollars. Please turn in copies of your scholarships as we are sure you can surpass that total!!

Recommendation requests should be directed to the staff member and any required forms should be provided to the staff member at the time of the request. Please be sure to give staff members ample time so that they can fulfill your request. Senior Breakfasts occur each month in the media center. The next breakfast is this week, Friday, November 21.

If you missed Senior Night by Guidance on September 2, please find important information on our website, including an electronic copy of the Senior Planning Guide.

http://mrhs.ucps.k12.nc.us/guidance/ for_seniors.php

<u>Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines of Note:</u>

October 25 – Deadline to self-nominate for NC State Park Scholarship

October 31 – Coca-Cola Scholars Program

Attention Seniors: Friday night's home football game is Senior Night! Seniors with official senior Class of 2015 T-Shirts will be allowed into the game for free!

Athletic Boosters and the Senior Class are proud to sponsor—



Trunk or Treat and Costume Parade Thursday, October 30 5:00-6:00 PM Prior to the JV home football game v. Anson



Candy Donations being accepted at this Friday night's varsity home football game!

Reminder: Community Read—Summer Reading 2014



As part of our school's mission, our community comes together to discuss a global topic in the fall during an event called Community Read Day. The aim of this program is to empower our students with global knowledge and a respect for diversity that will help them be successful citizens in a changing global community. This year we will be using the following five books to explore Chinese culture. Please select one of the following books to read over the summer.

** Community Read Day and Activities will take place in <u>soon</u>. A final date will be chosen by our administration and site-base team members.

1) Iron and Silk by Mark Salzman

2) Asian American Dreams: The Emergence of an American People by Helen Zia

3) American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang

4) Driven Out: The Forgotten War Against Chinese Americans by Jean Pfaelzer

5) The Hundred Secret Senses: A Novel by Amy Tan

Students, what should you do?

1) Select at least one book from the list to explore.

2) As you read, keep an open mind and consider what you are learning from the book.
Practice all the great reading strategies you have learned in school like questioning, summarizing, annotating, predicting, inferring, visualizing, connecting, and evaluating.
3) Use the website above to learn more.
4) Be prepared to participate in the Community Read Day events in the fall including class discussions and writing assignments in all of your classes.

Parents, how can you get involved?

 Using the list of options, help your child choose a book that you think best meets his or her needs intellectually and emotionally.
 Help your child find a copy of the book by purchasing a copy or checking one out from a library.

3) Feel free to join the community read by reading one or more of the books on the list. You will even have the opportunity to participate in book club discussions with other parents and staff on Community Read Day.
4) Talk with your child about the book. See the suggestions below.
5) Encourage your child to pick up other

books that interest him or her.

- If you'd like to help your child practice effective reading skills in alignment with the Common Core Curriculum, consider asking him or her the following questions. Always follow up their answers to any questions with "What makes you think that?" or "How do you know?" Citing evidence that supports their knowledge or arguments is an important life skill.
- Community Read Day in the Fall, and a follow-up activity in the Spring, give parents opportunities to volunteer as well as promote the global perspective and goals of Marvin Ridge. Stay tuned for more information in future newsletters and on our website.

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Late last week, students in Ms. Filter's AP Calculus class learned that studying Math really does pay off! The check may not have been theirs personally, but the real life lessons that came with it are a big takehome advantage for the future. Read below about the opportunity they took advantage of and why:

From the original UCPS story – written and posted by Deb Bledsoe

Hundreds of Union County Public Schools students went behind the scenes to see what it takes to be a manufacturer. UCPS joined South Piedmont Commu-

nity College and the Union County Chamber of Commerce for Manufacturing Awareness Week.

"The whole point of this week is to increase awareness about the benefits of manufacturing," said Union County Chamber of Commerce president Pat Kahle. "We're looking at what is made here in Union County and why it's important to have manufacturers here. It's about looking at the diversification of our tax base, supporting our school system, supporting our infrastructure and creating job in Union County."

Kahle said the event was open to Union County Public Schools students in order to help them make career choices.

"This is about helping young people who are trying to figure out what their career choices may be, helping parents who might be trying to guide their students, and about letting educators know that there are very good paying jobs in manufacturing here in Union County and that it's a great career choice," Kahle said.

Tours were held on Sept. 30. at Greiner Bio-One and Goulston Technologies, Inc.; and on Oct. 1 at QEMS and SAFRAN Turbomeca USA. The high school with the greatest participation was promised an award \$3,000 from the UCCC to invest in new STEM technology and initiatives. Samia Usmani, and Elizabeth Reidy, both 10th graders at Marvin Ridge High School said they enjoyed the tours and felt they had learned a lot.

"I didn't really know much about manufacturing," said Reidy. "This is totally different than what I thought it would be."

"The robotics was really cool and to see how it all works," Usmani said. "The things they make her are so important for every day stuff like helicopters."

We found out on Thursday, October 16 that Marvin Ridge was that school and the recipient of the \$3000. Pat Kahle, UPCS Career and Technology Director Robert Filter, and Deb Bledsoe also from UCPS visited Ms. Robin Filter's Calculus class to present the award as her classes heavily participated in the tours. Mr. Webster, one of our Business and Marketing, represented CTE classes and teachers as his students also participated.

Ms. Filter used the opportunity for her classes to visit manufacturing employers in Union County, as well as brought in a speaker from Turbomeca to our school, to help students make real-life connections to Math topics. Jobs of the future will be in the STEM industry, and her students report thoroughly enjoying the experience.