

Monroe High School

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Dear MHS Class of 2018, 2019 and 2020 Students and Parents/Guardians:

We have been preparing all summer for you!

To kick off the year, student registration days will provide opportunities for you to have a smooth start to the year. The student service coordinators/counselors will also be on hand to address any scheduling questions or concerns that you might have. This is the BEST time to adjust your schedule. We expect all students to attend. Busing will be provided.

We will hand out Trojan Pride tickets when we collect your student information pages. We will also hand out schedules and take pictures for yearbook and student ID's. Those who turn in a free and reduced application, will receive an additional 4 Trojan Pride tickets they can enter into drawings at the first annual Fall Kickoff/Barbeque Open House which is on August 29th, 2017, from 5:00 to 7:30 pm. Some of the gifts are, for class members of 2018, two \$500.00 scholarships for 2 different students, 5 sets of VIP Seating for 5 different students for a 2018 outdoor graduation. For all classes, yearbooks (\$50.value), homecoming dance tickets, 5 season family athletic passes, T1-84 calculators, gift certificates for school supplies and more...you must be present at the Fall Kickoff/Open House to win.

Please read the page in this packet that has the information regarding the handbook. The handbook is posted online and there is an opportunity to request a hard copy on this page. Please refer to the section regarding the dress code as you put together your school wardrobe! Also, please remember that the emphasize in the attendance protocol is on learning and to stay on track, and to get ahead academically, attendance matters!

To make the most of Career and College Ready opportunities this year, there are several options you may want to consider that are listed on the back of this page. If you are interested in one or more of these, please sign in to see your counselor/coordinator, Ms. Warnke, or Mr. Hochradel during registration days.

If you signed up for a direct college course and have not taken the Accuplacer or do not have a qualifying ACT/SAT score, MCCC will be here during registration days to administer the Accuplacer (see details on back.) Please direct any questions regarding this to your counselor/coordinator during registration days.

It is going to be a great year!

Go Trojans!

Mrs. Kreps

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Please read over the following options CAREFULLY! You do not want to miss a single opportunity!

SAT: For students who want to take the SAT for the first time or re-test on the earliest fall date, please go online to register ASAP. If you do not have computer access, please stop by the Student Service Center while you are at registration days. There will be assistance available to help you with SAT registration. The deadline for the first fall testing date is September 8, 2017. The sites fill quickly. The closest testing sites are Ann Arbor Huron High School, University of Detroit, University of Toledo, Ottawa Hills High School and Maumee Valley. If you need a fee waiver, please see one of the counselor/coordinators. You qualify for fee waivers and college application fee waivers if you are in the free and reduced lunch program. If you qualified in the past, think you qualify, or are not sure, please fill out the application that is enclosed and return during registration days. You will receive Trojan Pride tickets for drawings by just applying at registration days. These waivers are helpful, save a lot of money, and help keep all options open for you!

College Applications: Students will be working on these during the fall, individually and during TFT. If you would like to apply now and need assistance, the post-secondary will be in the Student Service Center during registration days. Fee waivers for college applications are available for those who qualify.

Co-op: If you currently have a job, or about to be hired, and would like to receive high school credit for working while being enrolled in a compatible MHS course that strengthens your workplace performance, please speak with your coordinator/counselor about it at registration days. You may also contact Mrs. Weaks or Mr. Brown directly. weaks@monroe.k12.mi.us, brownje@monroe.k12.mi.us.

Advanced Placement Courses: MHS has the most offerings of any school in the county. Go on line to learn more. https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/exploreap

Direct College: This fall we are offering **Intro to Computer 130 (entry course for computer science), Political Science, Intro to Humanities and Sociology** through Monroe County Community college here on our MHS campus. 3rd trimester, MCCC will offer a different selection of courses. One of the requirements is a qualifying score on the Accuplacer (see below) or ACT/SAT. These direct college options are available to qualifying 9th thru 12th grade students at no cost. You can take the Accuplacer during registration days.

Dual Enrollment: Students are eligible to take classes at **MCCC** at no cost to them. If the classes they seek are not available, they can speak with their counselor/coordinator about classes at **Owens Community College, Washtenaw Community Colleges or other schools** as needs and requests arise at a reduced or no cost. One of the requirements for MCCC is a qualifying score on the Accuplacer (see below) or ACT/SAT. These dual enrollment options are available to qualifying 9th thru 12th grade students.

Accuplacer: Monroe County Community College will be here during registration days in the Student Service Center to administer the Accuplacer assessment test. If you are interested in Direct College or Dual Enrollment classes' at MCCC, a qualifying score on this assessment or a qualifying ACT/SAT score is required for most courses.

Core Tutorial Elective: If you would like to help fellow students with their academics while strengthening your own, and would like to help others learn, please speak with your counselor/coordinator to see if you qualify for this option. The students who have been tutors have said that it helps them in their own classes and with their performance on the ACT and SAT! This option has also helped many students with their career pathway work, as well as provide an impressive addition to job and scholarship application. Please see the online curriculum guide for details.

MHS Fall Kickoff (Open House) - Tuesday, August 29th, 2017, 5:00 to 7:30 pm

The whole family is invited. Students, enter your Trojan Pride tickets that you will receive at registration days. There will be drawings for yearbooks, homecoming dance tickets, family season athletic passes, T1-84 calculators, gift certificates for school supplies and more. You must be present at Fall Kickoff to win! There will be a barbeque, and opportunities to meet teachers, visit classrooms, meet with clubs, hear the MHS Drum Line ©, and much more.

- > Teachers: Travel room to room to meet your teachers who will give you a Trojan Pride ticket for the drawings!
- > Student Service and Career and Technical Education Tables:
 - College Board: 9th, 10th and 11th graders will take the PSAT
 - General scheduling questions
 - Advanced Placement, Early College, Dual Enrollment and Direct College options
 - 504 and IEP questions
 - Career and College Ready course selections
 - Social/Emotional Services
- > Clubs, Athletics, Lotus Leaf, Highlighter, and Music and Drama tables

7:00 pm - MHS Auditorium: Principal Sandy Kreps

- Families new or returning to MHS:
 - Making MHS What You Would Like It To Be!
 - o How to Have a Great Year
 - Leveraging MHS-Student-Parent Partnerships

7:30 pm Trojan Pride Ticket Drawings - Auditorium - Must be present to win.

Please turn in application at Registration Days! Even if you might not qualify, you will earn 4 Trojan Pride tickets to enter into drawings at Fall Kickoff/

Free and Reduced Program Fee Waivers

Possible savings and fee waivers based on qualifying for the Free or Reduced Lunch Program

SAT Registration with essay	\$54.50 – can apply 2 times – see school counselor/coordinator for a fee wavier before you submit registration. June 2017 recommended.
NCAA Registration	\$80.00 – see counselor/coordinator for guidance.
College Applications	\$200.00 – unlimited – each college has their own process – see school counselor/coordinator as to how to proceed.
AP Test Registration	\$280.00 to \$340.00 – unlimited number of tests – see Mr. Hochradel.
Breakfast/Lunch Program	\$576.00 to \$701.00 per child for one year - Apps on line or by calling 734-265-3403.
Possible savings	\$1,429.00 per child

TIP PROGRAM (Tuition Incentive Program)

You/your child may be eligible for FREE college if they qualify for the Tuition Incentive Program (TIP). Please see your post-secondary planners in Office D-238, see their contact info on the last page or check your eligibility through the online portal found at www.michigan.gov/ssg.

The Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) is an incentive program that encourages eligible students to complete high school by providing tuition assistance for the first two years of college and beyond. TIP provides assistance in two phases. **Phase I** covers tuition and mandatory fee charges for eligible students enrolled in a credit based associate degree or minimum one-year certificate program at a participating Michigan community college or public university. **Phase II** provides a maximum of \$2000 total tuition assistance for credits earned in a four – year program at an in state, degree granting college or university.

Some of the participating colleges/universities:

Monroe County Community College Central Michigan University

Eastern Michigan University U of M (Ann Arbor—Dearborn—Flint

Grand Valley State University
Washtenaw Community College

Oakland University
Wayne State University

To be eligible for the TIP, a student must have received Medicaid coverage for 24 months within a 36-month period between the ages of 9 and high school graduation. The Department of Human Services (DHS) determines which students are Medicaid eligible and transmits this information to the Michigan Department of Treasury. Please see your post-secondary planners in the Student Service or check your eligibility through the online portal found at www.michigan.gov/ssg.