

MARRIOTTS RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

Bits and Bridles Bulletin



September 15, 2017

Dates to Remember:

9/19 Back 2 Music 7pm

9/21 School/Office
Closed (Holiday)

9/22 No school for
students
(Professional Day)

10/5-6 Underclass
Picture Days

10/12 Interim Progress
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Please Update Your Family File

Thank you to those families who have already reviewed and updated the Family File for their students. We are now 57% completed! Our goal is to be 100% by next Friday, September 22.

Parents/Guardians, if you have not yet logged into [Canvas](#) to review and update information for your child(ren), please take a few minutes this weekend to do so. Thank you, in advance, for partnering with us to complete this very important task for the safety and well being of our students (your children).

Resources on how to access Family File may be found [online](#). Parents who have forgotten their login credentials may click the Forgot Password link on the sign in page. If you need additional assistance, please fill out [Connect Help Form](#).

Bits and Bridles Bulletin will be sent out every Friday.

Today's Topics will continue with a daily focus on:

Monday, Weekly Calendar

Tuesday, Student Services

Wednesday, Parent Groups

Thursday, TBD

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Website mrhs.hcpss.org

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[HCPSS Mobile Apps](#)

Attention Class of 2018!

Our first senior event is coming up!



The **Senior Crab Feast** will be held on Monday, October 9 from 6-8 PM in the MRHS dining room.

In addition to crabs, a buffet of pulled pork, pit beef, turkey, salads, coleslaw and other vegetables will be served.

Tickets are \$45 and include the commemorative crab feast t-shirt. Ticket sales will begin online on 9/16 and in school 9/18-20 and 9/25-27. Tickets may be purchased in the Media Center. To purchase online, use the link below, reminder that an online purchase requires a printed receipt be redeemed for a ticket.

<https://osp.osmsinc.com/HowardMD/BVModules/CategoryTemplates/Detailed%20List%20with%20Properties/Category.aspx?categoryid=DA075>

The "Senior Ticket" will be offered in late winter once expenses for the spring senior events are determined. Please contact Mrs. Patterson or Mrs. Rashid with any questions.

HOMEcomings WEEK PREVIEW (October 9-14)

Monday, 10/9 — Millionaire Monday (dress in formal attire)

Tuesday, 10/10 — Scrabble Day (dress as an object that starts with the first letter of your name)

Wednesday, 10/11 — Way Back Wednesday (dress in something from a past decade, culture, etc.)

Thursday, 10/12 — Theme Day

- Freshmen, Animations
- Sophomores, Superheroes
- Juniors, Horror
- Seniors, Sci-Fi

Friday, 10/13

- Class Spirit Day (wear your Class Shirt)
- Pep Rally in the afternoon
- JV Football, 4:30 pm
- Pre-Game Party starts at half-time of JV Football and ends before start of Varsity Football
 - Marching Band Performance
 - Face Painting
 - Karaoke
 - Games, Food.
- Varsity Football, 7:00 pm
- Homecoming Court announced during Varsity halftime

Saturday, 10/14 — Homecoming Dance 7-10pm (watch for ticket sale announcement)

NEWS FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

FLU CLINIC INFORMATION:

Influenza, also known as the flu, is a serious illness that affects people of all ages. One of the best ways to prevent the flu is through vaccinations. We are pleased to again join with the Maryland Partnership for Prevention (MPP) to offer flu vaccinations at our school.

New this year, you may give permission for your child to be vaccinated using (1) an online form at www.vaccineconsent.com or (2) the hard copy form attached to this message.

We urge you to protect your family from the flu. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that everyone ages 6 months and older get a flu shot. Please visit www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm for more information about the flu vaccine.

The clinic at Marriotts Ridge High School will be held on **October 4**. We will send a notice home the day he/she has been vaccinated.

If you want your child to be vaccinated, please:

Fill out every section of the attached Consent Form **OR** complete it online at www.vaccineconsent.com. If you fill out the paper consent, write neatly and use ink. Only fill out the hard copy consent **OR** the online consent. Do NOT fill out both.

Use your insurance card to fill out your insurance information accurately. Your insurance company will be billed. **There is no co-pay or deductible.** You will NOT be charged by us or your insurance company.

Read the Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) and talk to your health care provider or the school nurse about any questions you have.

Return the consent form to the Health Room no later than **September 22, 2017**.

To complete the consent form online, go to www.vaccineconsent.com

To download and complete a paper consent form, [click here](#).

FREE Dental Clinic, a Howard County Wellness Care Initiative, presented in partnership with HC Multi-Service Center and Hope for Tomorrow, will be held on **Saturday, October 7 from 8am – 3pm**. The following FREE SERVICES will be offered:

EXTRACTIONS
CLEANINGS
FILLINGS,
OTHER DENTAL SERVICES.

Pre-registration is required to attend the event. Additional information can be obtained in [this flier](#) or by contacting the MultiService Center at mscinfo@howardcountymd.gov or 410.313.0220.

Music Foundation <http://www.mrhsmusic.net/>

Apple and Bakery Fundraiser September 19-27!

The Marriotts Ridge High School Music Foundation is selling **apples, cider, apple butter, apple sauce, apple pies** and of course **Baughher's famous apple fritters!** All items from Baughher's Orchard and Bakery in Westminster. You can support our music program and a local farm at the same time!

Sign up to receive emails when each apple sale starts at mrhsfruit.com

The first sale is open for music students to start collecting orders 9/14. Orders may be placed online from **September 19-27**, with **delivery on Oct. 7**. Orders are placed online with payment through PayPal and all major credit cards at mrhsfruit.com. The sale flyer with a list of products and prices is available at <http://tinyurl.com/MRHSAppl1Flyer>

A **Thanksgiving apple and pie sale** is also planned with delivery Nov. 21. Thank you for your support of music at Marriotts Ridge!

BOOSTERS <http://www.mrhs-boosters.com/>

12th Annual GOLF OUTING will take place on October 20th at Waverly Woods Golf Course. For all the details and to register, please go to <http://mrhs-golf.com>

PTSA <http://www.marriottsridgeptsa.org/>

Restaurant Raffle Fundraiser can use your help!

SPONSORSHIP Do you have a company you would like to advertise? For \$100, your company logo can go on the flyer and one out of 20 raffle tickets we send to over 1,000 homes in our school community. Your logo will also be mentioned in several school-wide emails and the MRHS PTSA website. Just send us your logo (email to tbone119@comcast.net), a coupon amount, if applicable, and a check made out to *MRHS PTSA*.

GIFT CARD DONATIONS Please donate a gift card for the Restaurant Raffle Fundraiser! Chain restaurants are the most difficult to obtain, so those are always helpful and appreciated (any increments of \$10 -\$100). Your donation is tax-deductible.

Mail gift cards and sponsorships to the school:

MRHS PTSA Restaurant Raffle
c/o Theresa Yodzis
12100 Woodford Dr.
Marriottsville, MD 21104

ENVELOPE ASSEMBLY *In search of SERVICE HOURS?* A lot of preparation is needed to assemble the restaurant raffle envelopes for mailing. This job can be broken into smaller parts so it doesn't become too overwhelming. If interested in helping or just want to learn more, contact Theresa Yodzis at tbone119@comcast.net or 443.472.0974.

And, don't forget to LIKE our new Facebook page! [Marriotts Ridge High School PTSA](http://www.facebook.com/MarriottsRidgeHighSchoolPTSA)

The Centennial High School UN Girl Up club unites both girls and guys to fight for the rights of adolescent girls throughout the world and we would love to have your support! We are having our first fundraiser of the year and want to invite you to join us. On Saturday, September 30, we will be holding our 2nd Annual Girl Up Community Yard Sale in the Centennial High School front bus lot from 9am-1pm. Families, school clubs, and organizations will be able to “rent” a parking spot for \$10 and sell their items. The profits you make from this event are yours to keep, we are simply hosting the event. Registration will be available on the Centennial HS online store soon (<https://tinyurl.com/CHSyardsale>). If you have any questions, feel free to contact us

A message from HC DrugFree

The Howard County Public School System is working in partnership with HC DrugFree. As you may be aware, Howard County is not unlike many areas facing an opioid crisis. HCDrugFree has prepared a three minute video for parents to view. A link to the video is included. We strongly encourage you to view this important message. Click [here](#) to view the video.

HC DrugFree Teen Advisory Council (TAC) Meeting: Monday, September 18 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. TAC is open to all Howard County high school students and community service hours are available. Meetings are held at The Barn (Teen Center) in the Oakland Mills Village Center. Free pizza is provided. Teens must complete the registration form found on the Teen Advisory Council page at www.hcdrugfree.org and RSVP to Admin@hcdrugfree.org.

Medication and Sharps Convenient Drive-Thru Collection: Saturday, October 28 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. is national Drug Take Back Day. Join the Howard County Police and HC DrugFree at their convenient drive-thru collection of unwanted or expired medication and sharps (needles, syringes, and EpiPens). No need to get out of your car. Just look for the teens in bright green shirts holding signs and directing traffic. Community service hours available for volunteers. Location: Wilde Lake Village Center parking lot near the UPS Store. For more information, visit www.hcdrugfree.org or contact us at Admin@hcdrugfree.org or 443-325-0040.

Community Notices

Please visit the [Community News and Programs](#) page on the HCPSS website for announcements of upcoming events and programs sponsored by non-profit organizations.

Bright Minds Foundation 4th Annual Gold Tournament, October 4, 2017 Enjoy a beautiful day playing golf with HCPSS Interim Superintendent Dr. Michael Martirano, hear his update about the school system at lunch and support the Bright Minds Foundation!

Thank you to all our sponsors!

Sponsorships are still available and [registration](#) is open.

2017 Transition Fair & Career Expo



**Wednesday, October 4, 2017
5–8 pm**

Wilde Lake High School

5460 Trumpeter Road, Columbia 21044

Learn about options available to young adults receiving special education services and transition planning for life after graduation.

NEW this year: Career Expo

- Employers will be available to interview students.
- Professionals will offer strategies to develop work skills.

Breakout sessions:

- Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) – day programming and self-directed services
- Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)
- Maryland 529 Able Plan
- Parent Forum
- Transition Planning (middle and early high school years)

For further information, contact Dawson Robertson, 410-313-5640

Participating Agencies:

Government

Developmental Disabilities Admin.
Howard County Office of Workforce
Development

Maryland Dept. of Disabilities
MSDE Division of Rehab. Services

Howard County Public Schools
Community Connections

Enclave
Project Search
Start On Success
Work Study

Post Secondary Education

Community College of Baltimore
County – Single Step
Howard Community College –
Project Access & CORE
Think College

Assistive Technology

AT Discount Sales & Services LLC

Mental Health Support

Maryland Coalition of Families for
Children's Mental
Mental Health Authority
NAMI

Adult Service Agencies

Abilities Network
Arc of Howard County
Atheas
Caroline Center
Community Options
Compass
Humanim
Linwood
Living Sans Frontières
Social Health Services Group

Transportation

Central Maryland Regional Transit
Regional Transportation Agency

Recreation

Howard County Library System
Howard County Recreation & Parks
Special Olympics

Parent Support

Accessible Resources for
Independence
By Their Side
Howard County Autism Society
Howard County Community Resources
and Services
Hussman Center for Adults with Autism
MMARS RC, Inc.
Optimal Health Care
Service Coordination, Inc.
Total Care Centers for Support