Col. Zadok Magruder High School





Principal's Weekly Message to the Community

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Greetings from Dr. Evans

Hello Magruder High School Families,

Now that Spring Break is in our rear-view mirror, we turn our focus to bringing the 2022-2023 School Year to a positive end. It is important that we maintain a focus on excellence in education and school safety. We have a great deal to applaud, but there is still much left to do. It is vital that we do not diminish the importance of reinforcing school policies and guidelines regarding attendance, behavioral expectations, and learning. There is a significant need to remind students that daily attendance as well as arriving to class on time remains a high priority.

I would also like to emphasize the importance of appropriate use of cell phones in accordance with Magruder HS and Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) policies. It is our goal to ensure a high quality academic and extracurricular programs in a safe environment.

I believe the vast majority of our students have represented themselves, their families, and their school well in all areas of school life. It is important that we celebrate them and the work we do together to ensure their success and well-being.

Sincerely, Dr. Lee Evans

This Week's Schedule

There is NO SCHOOL for students Friday, April 21.

Magruder Calendar

Please look at the "Upcoming Events" on the right side of our <u>homepage</u> to see all scheduled events.

Magruder Health & Wellness Fair

Magruder HS will be holding a Health & Wellness Fair on Saturday, April 29 from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Please join us for the Magruder Cluster Health and Wellness Fair! We welcome all parents/guardians, students, staff, and community members to choose from dozens of educational sessions for both adults and students in English and Spanish.

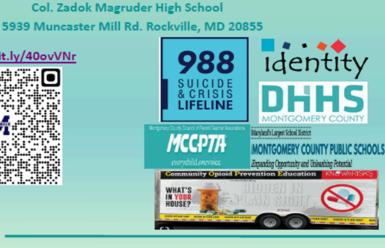




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Magruder Showcase Night

MHS Showcase Night

Please come out on Wednesday, April 26th for the annual MHS Showcase Night. The Art Show will take place in the main entrance lobby through the downstairs hallways from 5:00 - 8:00 PM. In the cafeteria from 6:00 - 7:00 PM students completing capstone projects in the Aviation, Project Lead the Way Engineering, and PEAC programs will have their projects on display. In addition, students who completed internships this year will also be set up in the cafeteria to share their internship experiences. This is a great way to celebrate the students' hard work this year!

Magruder STEM Day

This past Friday, April 14th Magruder held its annual Magruder STEM Day for our local feeder Elementary schools. 34 of our own students from our Young Women in Engineering and National Technological Honor Society planned STEM activities for the students.

Here is a <u>link</u> to the day's activities.

We would also like to thank Central Office staff and Members from the BOE who came out to see our kids in action.

Class of 2023 News

Volunteers Needed!

Parent volunteers are needed to help with set-up and staffing of After Prom. Please sign up to assist on May 6 (and May 5 for set-up):

http://www.signupgenius.com/tabs/73377DC02AFC9EBC17-afterparty (note there are 3 tabs for sign up options)

Purchasing After Prom Tickets!

After Prom tickets cost \$15 and can be bought at lunch on April 14, 18, 21, 25, 28; May 2, 4 or at: https://magruderptsa.memberhub.com/store/items/842254

Senior Celebratory Yard Signs!
Yard Signs cost \$10 and can be bought at:
https://magruderptsa.memberhub.com/store/items/845005

After Prom Restaurant Nights

Come out and help support Magruder After Prom! Dine-in, Carry-out or Online – It's a great excuse to eat out/not have to cook while supporting your school!

Upcoming Restaurant Night
Gourmet Asian Bistro http://www.gourmetasianbistro.com/

7224 Muncaster Mill Road, Derwood, MD 20855
Carry Out: (240) 683-8888
Wednesday, April 19 - 3pm - 9:30pm
Mention Magruder

AP & Dual Enrollment News

AP Testing Updates & Logistics

If your student is taking an AP exam this May, carefully review this slide presentation. It includes test preparation resources, the AP exam attendance policy and form, test day logistics and information about score sends. Contact AP Coordinator, Virginia Snyder at Virginia B Snyder@mcpsmd.org with any AP testing questions.

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Dual Enrollment for Fall 2023

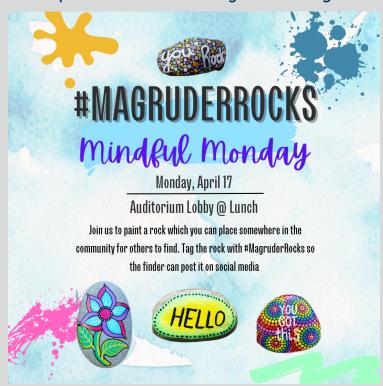
Students interested in taking Dual Enrollment classes with Montgomery College this fall can review the class schedule on the MC website now and can begin requesting fall classes on April 17th. Students must apply to MC as a dual enrollment student before they can request a course. The deadline to request classes in the Dual Enroll system is Friday, June 2, 2023. Review this presentation for all the steps and links.

<u>Dual Enrollment Dates & Deadlines</u> Dual Enrollment Steps & Links

Students can get help with the process during lunch the week of April 17th. Contact Mrs. Virginia Snyder at Virginia B Snyder@mcpsmd.org with any questions.

Counseling News

The counseling office is starting a new extension of our Mindful Monday program. In addition to the use of the mindfulness room, activities will be hosted at lunch each Monday for the remainder of the year. These activities will be creative and meant to give students some time to relax and do something fun or nostalgic. Activities will include coloring, making calming jars and stress balls, and playing board games or puzzles. We are kicking off this program with The Kindness Rocks Project where students will have an opportunity to paint a rock and tag it with #MagruderRocks. They will be encouraged to place it somewhere in the community for others to find and post on social media or send to us to be posted on the counseling office Instagram.



MHS Athletics Corner

Please visit the Magruder Athletics website at <u>MagruderAthletics.com</u> for all your Magruder Athletics information including schedules, rosters, scores, GoFan ticketing information, etc. You can also follow Magruder Athletics on Twitter @MagruderAD.



We are excited to announce that Mr. Scott Zanni, current Magruder HS Social Studies teacher and former Magruder Girls Volleyball coach, will be Magruder's new Athletics Specialist beginning this upcoming 2023-2024 School Year! Mr. Zanni will be replacing Mr. Silas Cheung who will be moving on to teach at Einstein HS.

Mr. Zanni has a vast knowledge of the Magruder HS community as well as our sports programs. He most recently served as the Girl's Volleyball coach at Magruder HS for the past 30 years! In addition, Mr. Zanni has served for the past 20 years as an MPSSAA State Volleyball Committee District 2 Representative and MCPS Sports Director. We believe that his unique level of knowledge and enthusiasm will help to provide a competitive and high quality athletics program for our student-athletes here at Magruder HS. Please join me us in welcoming Mr. Zanni to his new assignment!

Tickets to athletic events held at Magruder and all MCPS high schools will be sold exclusively online through <u>GoFan</u>. Tickets can be purchased through the GoFan website or by downloading the GoFan App. Instructions can be found in the <u>GoFan How to Guide</u>.

School Meals

This year's school meal services are back to standard pre-COVID operation procedures.

Breakfast is \$1.30 and lunch is \$2.80.

Parents can use www.MySchoolBucks.com to put money on student meal accounts and to view purchase history. Families who meet certain federal income standards are eligible for free meal benefits. All students will use their student ID number as their pin number when checking out in the cafeteria.

To apply for the Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMS) program please apply online at https://www.myschoolapps.com/Application.

Magruder Lunch Policy Reminder

Magruder High School has a closed campus lunch policy in an effort to ensure the safety and security of our students. This means that students will not be permitted to leave the building to purchase lunch.

In addition, students (and parents) are <u>prohibited from ordering food</u> and having it delivered to the student during the school day. This is in direct conflict with MCPS Food Services policies and procedures. We have seen an increase in food deliveries recently. Please note: All food delivered utilizing a delivery service will be confiscated. UPDATE as of 1/19/23: First offense, the food will be confiscated and the student will be allowed to pick up their order at the end of the school day. Additional offenses, the food will be confiscated and NOT returned to the student.

School Cash Online (SCO) Registration

Montgomery County Public Schools recently transitioned to a new online payment system called School Cash Online (SCO) as its preferred method of payment for all school-related fees.

School Cash Online helps parents/guardians and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly, and easily. Once registered, you will be immediately informed about activities!

Parents/guardians received a notification with their student(s) PIN information required for adding a student to their account. Emails were sent to parent email accounts that were registered with MCPS and the email came from SCOinprocess@mcpsmd.org. Each student/child has a unique pin number.

Once you have the pin number, please register at https://mcpsmd.schoolcashonline.com/. Registration instructions are available in English and Spanish. If you are having difficulties, please email communitytechsupport@mcpsmd.org.

Student Parking

Students must have a parking permit in order to park on the school campus. The process includes submitting a <u>Parking Permit Application</u> and attaching a copy of the license and current insurance. Please give your submissions to Mrs. Jennifer Marin, Main Office Secretary in person.

Students will be notified via email when their parking application is approved. At that time they will be able to pay the parking permit online at https://mcpsmd.schoolcashonline.com/. A semester pass is \$39 and a full-year pass is \$78.

Following payment please be sure to pick-up your pass from the Finance Office and make sure that your pass is properly displayed in your car. Students parked without a pass are subject to ticketing and/or towing at their expense.