

Good Afternoon,  
I hope everyone had a nice weekend. We look forward to seeing students tomorrow.  
Dr. Holder

**Learning Schedule for the Week:**

Monday: Silver Block Day  
Tuesday: Blue Block Day  
Wednesday: Silver Block Day- Classes Begin at 8:20  
Thursday: Blue Block Day  
Friday: Silver Block Day

**Laptops:**

PLEASE do not leave laptops in your car for any stretch of time. They will literally freeze and damage the device. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Graduation 2024:**

We look forward to celebrating our Seniors on Saturday, May 18, 2024. Our commencement ceremony will begin at 9 am. Students will need to be at Mill Valley by 8 am. More details will be coming soon.

**Congratulations to BOTH Cheer and Dance:**

Our incredible cheer team is competing at Nationals this weekend in Dallas TX. So far, they have taken third place in their Crowd Leading performance and earned the Best Use of Jumps Award!

Our Silver Stars competed in the Lee's Summit North dance competition this past weekend and took home a first place trophy for BOTH their game day and pom performance. Trinity Baker was the senior solo champion and Halle Wampler and Macy Bidnick won the duet competition.

**Parents Night Out:**

If you are interested in a parents night out, please see the attached flyer. This is sponsored by our Vocal Music Department.

**Eighth Grade (incoming freshman) Night:**

If you have a current eighth grader, please see the attached flyer for information regarding our incoming freshman parent and student information night. This event is to showcase our courses and provide information for course selection. \*\*Note-there will not be tours of the school during this event.

**Junior ACT Testing:**

On Tuesday, February 27, all MVHS Juniors will have an opportunity to take the ACT test for free. This will take place from 7:50-11:30. All other classes for all other grade levels will be on a regular schedule that day. Juniors will attend regular classes following the exam.

**Parent Teacher Conferences: February 14 and 15-More details coming soon!**

We will hold our Spring parent teacher conferences on February 14 and 15.

**Looking to Support a GREAT Cause?**

Have any old furniture in the basement/garage? Any extra household items? Consider donating to MV's Youth for Refugees club to help support a refugee family coming to KC this Spring! Check out [the sign-up genius linked here](#) to see what items we still need and bring them in to Mr. Wieland's room (A 211). Feel free to **donate financially too by writing a check** to Mill Valley and putting Youth for Refugees in

the memo or through **Venmo @Emma-Clement-26**.

Contact [clemeemm000@usd232.org](mailto:clemeemm000@usd232.org) or [zwahlann000@usd232.org](mailto:zwahlann000@usd232.org) if you need pickup of large items or if you have any questions.

### **24-25 Course Selection - Due 2/21!**

Last week, students viewed the Course Selection Video, and the counselors met with the sophomores and freshmen to follow-up. All course selection information is available on the Counseling website, [Mill Valley High School - MVHS Student Services](#), under the "Course Selection Information 2024-2025" tab. Please spend some time with your student viewing all of the information under this tab. There are also videos regarding the dual enrollment, Honors/AP class information, and Off-Campus Information as well. Please take a look at the important dates below...

- **1/22 & 1/26** - Counselors will be available for Q&A in the Media Center during Seminar for students.
- **2/21/24** - COURSE SELECTION FORMS AND APPLICATIONS/AUDITIONS ARE DUE!! Links are located on the Counseling website.

### **New Class Clarifications**

#### **\*Entrepreneurship**

In addition to the course video and selections offered, the Business Department has an exciting course we would love for you to take a look at: **ENTREPRENEURSHIP**.

#### **Entrepreneurship (.5 credit)**

#### **Prerequisite: Business Essentials**

Entrepreneurship is a course which acquaints students with the knowledge and skills necessary to own and operate their own business. Topics from several fields from the content including economics, marketing, business and labor law and business planning. Students will experience real-world learning and have the opportunity to create their own businesses.

If you have questions feel free to email Nicole Porter, [nporter@usd232.org](mailto:nporter@usd232.org)

**\*History of the Holocaust** - This social science elective is open to grades 11-12.

**\*AP African American Studies** - This social science elective is open to grades 10-12.

### **January Senior Newsletter**

Please click on the link below for the latest Senior Newsletter.

<https://www.usd232.org/Page/4547>

### **January Counseling JagAwareness Newsletter**

The latest Counseling Newsletter is also available on the Counseling website. Please click on the link below...

[https://www.canva.com/design/DAFLA1YwSB4/DxM7RM7Gx4JBVZfswxrbrA/view?utm\\_content=DAFLA1YwSB4&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link&utm\\_source=publishsharelink](https://www.canva.com/design/DAFLA1YwSB4/DxM7RM7Gx4JBVZfswxrbrA/view?utm_content=DAFLA1YwSB4&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link&utm_source=publishsharelink)

### **Saturday ACT Prep Opportunities**

Power Prep ACT will be hosting some Saturday ACT prep sessions at the local universities. Please see below...

#### **At University of Kansas**

Date: Saturday, February 10

[More Info & Registration](#)

#### **At Kansas State University (Olathe)**

Date: Saturday, February 17

[More Info & Registration](#)

### **Post-Secondary Lunchroom Visits**

United States Marines - Tuesday, January 23rd

### **Looking Ahead:**

February 14 and 15-Parent Teacher Conferences

February 15 and 16-No school for students

February 16- No school for students or staff

February 19- No school for student or staff-President's Day

February 27- Juniors take the ACT at MVHS.

March 11-15-Spring Break for students and staff

March 18-PD day for teachers. No school for students

March 19- First day of fourth quarter.

April 18-PD day for teachers. No school for students.

April 19-No school for students or teachers.

May 18-2024 Graduation Day-Ceremony will begin at 9 am.