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School Calendar:

Oct. 5 - 10

✓ Choose Civility Week

Oct. 6

✓ Magazine Prize Day - Science of Illusion

Oct. 9

✓ Interims Sent Home

✓ PTA Sponsored Hip Hop Dance
2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Upcoming Dates:

Oct. 13

✓ Field Trip to MD Public
Television - MVTV Crew 9:15 AM -
11:15 PM
✓ Jazz Band Auditions - 2:30 PM
- 3:30 PM

Oct. 14

✓ Jazz Band Auditions - 2:30 PM
- 3:30 PM

Oct. 15

✓ Skyflyer Day

Oct. 16

✓ SCHOOL CLOSED - MSTA
Convention
✓ 7th & 8th Grade Orchestra
performs at for MMEA at Howard
HS

Oct. 22

✓ Service Learning Field Trip - 7th
Grade - 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Oct. 23

✓ Service Learning Field Trip - 7th
Grade - 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM
✓ PTA Student Social - 7:00 PM -
9:00 PM

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES - DATES & TIMES

Please mark your calendar and note the times.

Chess Club (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 7, Oct. 14, Oct. 21, Oct. 28

Cross Country (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 6, Oct. 8, Oct. 13, Oct. 15, Oct. 20, Oct. 22, Oct. 27

Environment (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM) - Oct. 15, Nov. 5, Nov.
19, Dec. 3, Dec. 17

Falcon Friends (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 8, Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 29

Flag Football (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 5, Oct. 7

Jewelry Making (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 8, Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 29

Newspaper (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 6, Oct. 8, Oct. 13, Oct. 15, Oct. 20, Oct. 22, Oct. 27

Organization (7:00 AM - 7:30 AM)
Oct. 6, Oct. 8, Oct. 13, Oct. 15, Oct. 20, Oct. 22, Oct. 27

Spirit Team (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Nov. 3, Nov. 17, Dec. 1, Dec 15

Student Government (2:30 PM - 3:25 PM)
Oct. 6, Oct. 13, Oct. 20, Oct. 27, Nov. 3, Nov. 10

Yearbook (2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)
Oct. 7, Oct. 14, Oct. 21, Oct. 28, Nov. 4, Nov. 11, Nov.
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REFLECTIONS

The theme for the 2009-2010 PTA Reflections competition is "Beauty is..." Student entries will be accepted beginning October 15th with a deadline of October 30th. The rules and a student entry form are available on the MVMS PTA website: www.mvmspta.citymax.com. Please contact Jane Jones at janejones10306@yahoo.com with any questions.

JAZZ BAND

Jazz Band auditions will take place after school on October 13th and 14th from 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM. Students who are interested in auditioning should see Ms. Williams for an audition packet.

SCHOOL CLUBS

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE IN AFTER AND BEFORE SCHOOL CLUBS:

Are your kids still looking for just the right activity to get involved in at school? Then, the PTA After/Before School Clubs may have the answer. Take a look at the following clubs offered by teachers and outside organizations starting this fall:

Oct. 30

✓ Spirit Day - Wear Black & Orange

- FALCON FRIENDS - Similar to the Buddy Program in other schools, this new club is comprised of students w/ disabilities and their peers. Fee: \$10 per 10 sessions. Coordinator: Meridith Hurd. Thursdays, 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM, starting October 8th, in the cafeteria
- HIP HOP/BREAKDANCING CLUB - for novices and experts, taught once again by Studio Dans' C.J. Fee: \$12 per class. Fridays, 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM, starting October 2nd, in the gymnasium
- CHESS CLUB - learn the basics of chess and the strategy of the game. Fee: \$10 for 10 sessions. Teacher: John Corbin. Wednesdays, 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM, beginning October 7th.
- ORGANIZATION CLUB - Need some guidance in binder organization, cleaning out your locker, or checking your homework and agenda books? Get your day off to a productive start! It's free! Teachers: Lindsay Madden & Maggie Bosse. Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM, beginning October 6th in Room 24
- JEWELRY MAKING CLUB - Learn how to make your own bling! Fee: \$15 for 10 sessions Teacher: Margaret Grimes. Tuesdays, 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM beginning October 6th in Room 22A.
- DRAMA CLUB - Ms. Mindi Lawton returns to MVMS to produce a spring musical. Try outs for Cinderella's Glass Slipper will take place in early December. Show in April. Fee: TBD

Permission slips can be found online or outside the Front Office. Clubs are not held on days that school is closed. Questions? Contact the coordinating teachers or Lisa Coster, PTA After/Before School Activities Chair, 410-442-3736.

SCHOOL BUS HANDRAILS

We have had incidents in which a student's trinket/animal key chains became tangled in the handrail. Apparently these trinket/animal key chains are quite popular among students. Fortunately in both cases, the driver recognized the problem and waited for the child in one case, and the parent in the other, to untangle the chain that had wrapped itself around the handrail. Please remind your child that these trinkets/animal key chains, or any other loose items, must be kept in their pockets and/or backpacks when riding the school bus.

6TH GRADE "DAY IN THE PARK"

The Mount View Middle School PTA is organizing a "Day At the Park" for all 6th Graders on Friday, October 16th from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM. The event will be held rain or shine and the cost is \$20 per student.

Mini Golf, Rock Climbing, Go Carts (2 rounds included), All Rides (water rides, weather permitting) (Snack Bar and Video Games are not included in admission, but available. Bring extra money if desired.) Wear your MVMS Spirit Wear or Gym T-Shirt!

Parents: This is a great annual fall outing for incoming middle school students. Another outing is being planned for the spring. Schools are closed on October 16th, so please join us or arrange transportation to and from the Park, as no bus transportation is being provided. Students must be picked up by 4:00 PM from Adventure Park.

The reduced cost per student is \$20 thanks to generous support from the PTA and a group rate. No tickets will be issued but each paid student will receive a wristband and a nametag to wear that

day. If you are joining your child and want to participate in the activities, adult admission is payable upon entry. SIBLINGS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND, BUT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. WE WILL NOT BE MONITORING ANYONE OTHER THAN THE 6TH GRADERS.

In order to receive the PTA discount and the group rate, students must return the permission slip and a check for \$20.00, payable to MVMS PTA, in a sealed envelope marked ADVENTURE PARK to the Front Office by Tuesday, October 13th. REMIND YOUR CHILD TO DROP THE ENVELOPE IN THE BOX MARKED "ADVENTURE PARK" IN THE FRONT OFFICE. NO STUDENT WALK-INS on October 16th.

If you are interested in chaperoning, please note that on the permission slip.

[DOWNLOAD](#) Permission Slip.

COMMUNITY NEWS

This year's Mustang 5K Stampede and Scream and 1 Mile Zombie Walk takes a ghoulish twist, with prizes for costumed participants as well as serious runners. The race starts at the witching hour of 9:00 AM on Saturday, October 31st at Marriotts Ridge High School. Prizes range from cash awards and gift cards to certificates for food and services as well as other tricks and treats. Trophies will be awarded to top two runners in more than ten categories. Register online before October 20th for \$20 to participate in either the 5k or the 1 Mile Zombie Walk and receive a commemorative tee shirt. Families registering before October 20th will be charged a maximum of \$60 for all participants. Registration is accepted on race day or any day after October 20th for an additional \$5 fee. Families with young children are encouraged to participate in the Zombie Parade for just \$5 (small goody bag provided in lieu of tee shirt). Get more use?and photo ops--out of that special Halloween costume in a celebratory community setting. Register online at http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=1794485 or download registration form at www.mrhs-boosters.com/stampede09fall.html and mail in with checks payable to Marriotts Ridge Boosters Club. For questions or more details, contact Race Director Paul Laux at Mustang5K@verizon.net.

Take a day to fall into softball at HCYP's Kiwanis Wallas Park in Ellicott City, on Sunday, October 18th from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM. Learn about HCYP softball. The recreational league is available to girls ages 6 - 18. Meet new people and participate in some fun activities. Events will include: softball demonstrations, relay races and other games, yard sale and face painting. Concession items will also be available. For directions to the park, visit the website at www.hcyp.org.

The Orthodox Church of St. Matthew's will hold their second annual Multi-Cultural Festival on Saturday, October 3rd from 11:00 AM - 10:00 PM and Sunday, October 4th from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM in Columbia. The event will transform Columbia's Kings Contrivance Village Center into an international destination, featuring free live entertainment by the region's most popular ethnic musicians and dancers, delicious foods made on premises from family recipes, one-of-a-kind handmade jewelry and crafts, a large children's activity area, guided church tours, icon painting demonstrations and a silent auction. For more information and a full entertainment schedule, visit www.stmatthewfestival.org.

HORIZON FAMILY COMMUNICATION NIGHT: CYBER SAFETY AND CIVILITY will be on October 5th, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM at the

Elkridge Library. Discuss risky online behavior, how to prevent it, and what to do if something happens to your family. Prepared in cooperation with NetSmartz and cosponsored by the Horizon Councils and Friends of Howard County Library Registration is required and for ages 11-14 with adult. Maximum registration is 40. For more information or to register call 410-313-7778 or katie.george@hclibrary.org.

HCYP Basketball is sponsoring a Middle School division this year for the 12 - 13 year old boys leagues. The teams will compete in games on Saturday against other HCYP middle school teams. On Sundays the team can compete against teams from other middle schools like Glenwood, Folly Quarter, Resurrection, etc. The tryouts for the Mount View teams will be held as follows:
Sunday, October 4th 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM at Mt. Hebron High School
Wednesday, October 7th 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM at Patapso Middle School

More information can be found on the HCYP website at www.hcyp.org or by contacting the league commissioner, Paul Heiss, 410 442 5629, paul.heiss@comcast.net.

CROHN'S & COLITIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA - FREE THROW AND SILENT AUCTION: Have fun and make a difference - You CAN help find a cure for Ulcerative Colitis & Crohn's Disease! Attend the Inaugural Free Throw Shoot Out & Silent Auction for Ulcerative Colitis & Crohn's Disease. The purpose of the event is to raise awareness and funds to find a cure for Ulcerative Colitis and Crohn's Disease, while having a great time! The event will take place at the Chapelgate Academy Gymnasium in Marriottsville, on Saturday November 7th, 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM with event check-in at 12:30 PM. More information can be found at: www.shootout4ccfa.com or via email at shootout4ccfa@gmail.com or 410-531-0054.

HCYP SOFTBALL: Take a day to fall into softball at HCYP's Kiwanis Wallas Park in Ellicott City on Sunday, October 18th from 11:00AM - 3:00PM. Learn about HCYP softball. The recreational league is available to girls ages 6 - 18. Meet new people and participate in some fun activities. Events will include: softball demonstrations, relay races and other games, yard sale, face painting. Concession items will also be available. For directions to the park, visit the website at www.hcyp.org.

The Howard County Arts Council is holding their 2010 Rising Star Competition. The competition is open to individual performers, ages 18 - 35, who live, work, perform regularly, or train in Howard County, or have done so in the past. Early Bird application submission deadline is October 30th. There will be a \$5,000 Performing Artist Professional Development Award. For more information, go to www.hocoarts.org.

Howard County General Hospital is offering the following classes for children and teens:

Essentials in Babysitting - October 24th or November 14th, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Cost is \$46 (includes lunch and certificate of attendance). Learn to effectively manage children, create a safe environment and apply emergency techniques.

CPR for Teens - October 3rd or November 7th, 9:00 AM -12:00 PM. Cost is \$30. This American Heart Association course prepares teens, ages 11 to 17, to perform CPR on an adult, child and infant. Other topics include choking, how to call 911 and answer dispatcher questions, and brief overview of an AED.

Self-Defense for Young Women - January 16th, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. The cost is \$30. Age-appropriate self-defense for young women ages 12 to 15. Learn physical and psychological strategies. Also discuss concepts of self-image, self-esteem and assertive behavior.

THE CARE CENTER FOR CHILD AND ADOLESCENT RESOURCES: Grandparents, grandparents raising grandchildren, relatives raising a family member's child ?have questions about a child? Get help from The CARE Center for Child and Adolescent Resources at 410-313-CARE (2273). The CARE Center is a program of the Howard County Office of Children's Services/Department of Citizen Services. Information sessions, holiday events, and more are planned for the future. To be part of their mailing list send your email or mail address to children@howardcountymd.gov or The CARE Center, 3300 N. Ridge Rd., Suite 380, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

Western Howard County Youth Basketball is currently accepting registrations for the 2009-2010 season. Registration forms and other information can be found on their website whcybasketball.com, or can be obtained by calling 410-489-0351.

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