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MTHMU Boosters: <http://mthmarchingunit.wixsite.com/boosters>

UPCOMING DATES/EVENTS: See our [calendar](#) on our website for additional dates.

- May 7-18: AP Exams-see the complete schedule on our website
- May 11: Marching Unit and Band Appreciation Night at 7-9pm in the Auditorium
- May 14: PAAS Rites of Passage Senior Ceremony 6-8pm at St. Johns Baptist Church
- May 15: Senior Class Night 6-9PM @Historic Savage Mill
- May 15: MTHMU Boosters Meeting at 7pm in the Band Room
- May 16-31: Street Smarts Driving School 3-6:15pm, Rm 156 (no class on 5/18&28)
- May 17: Last day for After-School Bus
- May 17-24: MANDATORY completion of all Final Exams & Full Attendance for Seniors**
- May 18: Half Day for Students – 3 hours early dismissal**
- May 22: Graduation Rehearsal 12:25-2:10pm in Auditorium
- May 23: Graduation Rehearsal 7:25-9:14am & 12:25-2:10pm in Auditorium
- May 23: Senior Banners handed out to students at graduation rehearsal
- May 23: Senior Community Awards Night 7pm in the Auditorium

May 24: Senior Awards Assembly, Class Pictures, and Ticket Distribution
 May 24: Senior Awards Ceremony for School Awards 8am in Auditorium
 May 24: Last Day for Seniors
 May 29: Graduation – Merriweather Post 11:00AM
 May 29: **School Closes 9:45 – due to graduation**
 May 31: MTHMU Restaurant Night at Squisito's 4-9pm
 June 1: Rising Freshmen Band Orientation Night 7pm in Auditorium & Band Room
 June 2: Relay for Life, Howard County Fairgrounds 3pm-midnight
 June 5-8: MHHS Color Guard Try Outs, 6-8pm in the main gym
 June 6: College Night at 6 PM in the Auditorium
 June 11: Period 1 Exam
June 11-14: Full days of school for all students
 June 12: PTSA Meeting if needed
 June 12-14: High School Exams
June 15-19: All schools dismiss three-hours early
 June 16-July 3: Greg's Driving School 9am-12:15pm, Rm 156 (no class on 6/26)
June 19: Last Day of School for Students – 3 Hour Early Dismissal
 August 13-17: Rookie Band Camp, 2-6pm
 August 20-24: Full Band Camp, 2-5pm & 6-9pm
 August 24: MTHMU Pass in Review
 October 7: Viking 5K and 1mile Fun Run

CELEBRATIONS:

Congratulations to MTH Wrestler Cassie Lopez who became the First Female Wrestler to Sign a NLI to Wrestle D1 in College. Cassie will continue her Academic and Athletic Career as a Blue Hose at Presbyterian College. So proud of this young lady, Best of Luck Cassie!!!



Mt. Hebron wrestler becomes first woman to sign to Division I program - <http://www.baltimoresun.com/news/maryland/howard/sports/ph-hs-cassy-lopez-signs-nli-presbyterian-wrestling-20180503-story.html>

Congratulations to Jayshree Srinivasan, Nicholas Venginickal, David Hopkins, Alexandra Cucchiaro, and Sashita Subburaj who participated in the Statewide Watershed Symposium on Wednesday, May 2nd. These freshmen taking GT Biology and had previously participated in both the local Watershed Assessment and Schoolyard Assessment programs.

The Watershed Project is a hand-on learning experience sponsored by both HCPSS and the Howard County Conservancy in which students learn how to assess water quality in local streams and on schoolyard property. The goal of this program is to understand how features such as canopy cover, pervious and impervious surfaces, and native gardens influence the movement and condition of water as it flows across our land on its way to our rivers and streams. By recognizing the interrelationships between human activities, natural processes, and local topography, students are encouraged to adopt lifestyle practices which help the ecosystem maintain its balance.

The Statewide Watershed Symposium brought students from all over the state of Maryland to share their data on individual streams, to present the projects students have adopted to help improve water quality, and to have the opportunity of interacting with state representatives in discussion about our watersheds and why they are important.

Following the Symposium, the students spent the afternoon at the Chesapeake Bay Foundation headquarters in Annapolis, conducting water quality tests and species diversity assessments on the Black Walnut Creek.

Congratulations to Ye-Ken Song who was selected, after a highly competitive process, for Glako Smith Kline Pharmaceuticals **one** internship that they offer a year. The details of the internship are as follows:

- Three years of on-the-job training at **GSK**, one of the world's leading research-based pharmaceutical and healthcare companies
- Fully funded study towards an Associate's degree in Electrical Engineering Technology at the Anne Arundel Community College
- A competitive base salary and access to the company's benefit scheme
- A program of personal development
- Upon completion of the 3-year apprenticeship program, the student also receives a Certificate of Apprenticeship Completion from the US Department of Labor, an industry issued, portable nationally recognized credential that certifies occupational proficiency

Congratulations to Vedika Krishna! As a sophomore, she is part of the entrepreneur program, Junior Achievement Rising Women that encourages young entrepreneurs. She created a mini-company called Chesapeake Charms that created and sold almost 300 bracelets with the goal of raising \$1000 and donating it to the

Chesapeake Bay Foundation.



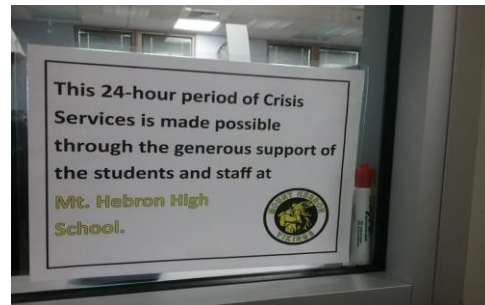
Congratulations to BOTH the Boys & Girls Outdoor Track & Field teams on finishing 3rd in the County Championship on May 8th. Individual and relay county champions include, Leo Mesamours in the 300 hurdles, Tori Valentine in both the 400 and 800 meter runs and the girl's 4x400 meter relay team of Riley Benson, Blair Ridgely, Morgan Flack and Tori Valentine were also crowned County Champions. Next up, the Region Meet on May 16th and 19th at Reservoir HS, Good Luck Hebron Track & Field!!!

Congratulations to the following Tennis players on their first round Victories on May 8th, on Day 1 of the County Tennis Tournament: Avery Vess and Arvind Singh defeated Long Reach 6-3, 6-1 Amrithya Balasubramanian and Sri Radhakrishnan both won their first round singles matches, and Bonnie Vess won her first round match against Howard.



Thank you to the Admin team!! who served food and beverages to all the Educator in the building during Teacher Appreciation Week!

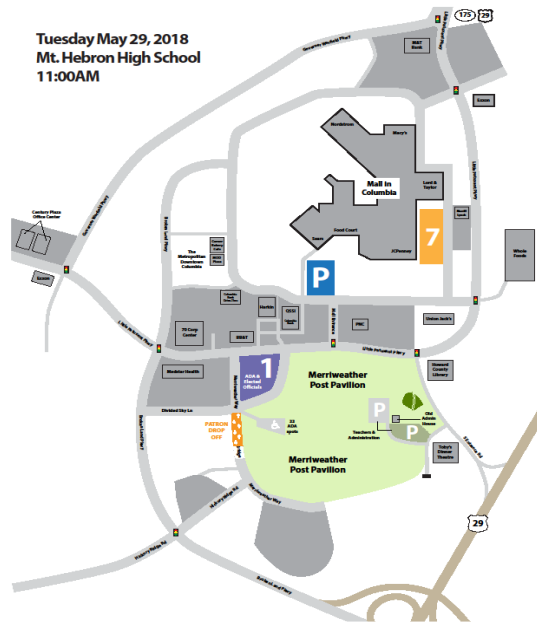
Thank you to who participated in Pi Week! We were being able to have MHHS Crisis Services Day (May 5th) at Grassroots funded by MHHS Pi Week. Thank you all for making this day happen. Stay tuned for the statistics of the day!



SCHOOL NEWS:

GRADUATION UPDATE

Merriweather Parking Maps for Graduations 2018



1] Graduates and families should plan to arrive no more than 60 minutes, and no less than 30 minutes, before the ceremony.

2] Lot 1 is reserved for cars with disability placards or license plates.

3] Graduates and families should park only in the numbered parking lot(s) or the lot(s) designated with a blue P on the parking map for their school.

We appreciate graduates and families parking only in those areas designated for their school's graduation, as that will allow for the most efficient traffic flow for all ceremonies.

All information regarding Commencement and A copy of Merriweather's Parking Map for Mt. Hebron's Graduation is posted on our [website](#) in the Graduation Square. HCPSS website also includes information for viewing ceremonies live.

Important Updates -Two Extended School Days

The Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) will **extend its school year by two (June 18, June 19)** days to make up for inclement weather closings. The **last day of school for students will now be Tuesday, June 19, 2018.**

No new graded work will be assigned at any level June 15–19.

An updated version of the HCPSS calendar is available at

<http://www.hcpss.org/calendar/>. Absent notes **will not** be needed for 6/15, 6/18 & 6/19.

News from Health Room- Allergy Season is Upon Us

The health room has seen an increase in allergy related complaints. I attached a few basic hints for students to try to minimize missed instruction (time out of class). The health room is limited in the treatments that we can provide. We can give eye wash, cool compresses, suggest to drink water (flush pollen), or call parents for medications.

Symptoms may include:

- Runny nose and mucous production
- Sneezing
- Itchy eyes, nose, ears, mouth
- Red and watery eyes
- Swelling around the eyes

What can you do?

- Take allergy medication prior to school
- Bathe prior to bed especially if you were exposed to pollen outdoors
- Wash bedding once a week

Free Tutoring for AP Social Studies

AP tests are only a month away. To help your child get ready, Hebron will offer **FREE TUTORING** for any AP Social Studies student. Tutoring will be held on Wednesdays during Viking Time in Room 112. Please have your child visit the following link to sign up for a tutoring slot: <https://tinyurl.com/ycwsxt7n>

Looking for donations of school supplies

“Do you have new or unused school supplies? TeCanal is looking for donations of schools supplies to give to Baltimore students entering their freshmen year of high school. TeCanal is a nonprofit founded and run by Mt. Hebron students with the goal of improving STEM education in Baltimore. We are seeking unused pens, pencils, papers, binders, folders, notebooks, etc... Please bring your school supplies to the bin in the main lobby of Mount Hebron. To find out more about the work we do, visit TeCanal.org. Thank you.”

TeCanal is a people-focused, student-founded nonprofit organization tackling the issues of poor STEM (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) education and lack of access to technology in low-income communities.

After-School Bus Schedule

After School Bus will run Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday leaving Mt. Hebron at 3:45. The purpose of extending the bus transportation is for students to receive academic assistance from teachers. Students must be with a coach, teacher or using the Media center to receive a bus ticket. Tickets will not be provided at the bus! **Bus transportation will end on Thursday, May 17, 2018 for the school year.** Bus stops are: Liler Court & Liler Drive, Hollifield Elementary School, Town & Country and West Springs Drive & Worthington Elementary School.

2017-2018 YEARBOOK Sales: purchase at jostensyearbooks.com!

Please email Ms. Fischetti at Lauren_Fischetti@hcpss.org with any questions.

Summer School Registration

Comprehensive Summer School Online registration sessions will open from the 1st through the 15th of every month, February - June. The quick links are below. **Classes will close as they reach capacity.** As courses close, students should fill out the wait list form ASAP.

Quick Links

- **CSS Registration Website** - <http://tinyurl.com/HCPSSSummerSchool>
- Direct link to registration form - <http://tinyurl.com/CSSReg18>
- Wait list form - <http://tinyurl.com/CSSWaitlist2018>

THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S CORNER:

Student Services Counselor Caseloads: Alphabetical order by last name:

A-Ch Irene_Bademosi@hcpss.org

Ci-He Tina_Flynn@hcpss.org

Hi-Le Robin_Luong@hcpss.org

Li-Pa Daniel_Peabody@hcpss.org

Pe-Si Patrick_Miles@hcpss.org

Sk-Z Patricia_Marton@hcpss.org

If you need assistance, **contact student services at 410-313-2883.**

Student Services Secretary at Linda_Mathias@hcpss.org

Come Out To College Night!

June 6th, 6:00pm in the MHHS Auditorium

This is an informative evening with special presenters to speak about the admission process, financial aid, scholarships, college preparation and more! Participants will be able to rotate through multiple informational sessions.

Who should attend? Every student and parent who wants to know more about college – how to get to the right one and how to pay for it. We'll see you there!

Senior Community Awards Night

We want a chance to honor you and recognize your accomplishments before you graduate! Senior Community Awards Night will recognize students who have received awards from colleges, community organizations and scholarship grantors.

Senior Awards Night, Wednesday, May 23rd, 7:00pm, MHHS Auditorium

Seniors attending should wear their graduation caps and gowns. Make plans to be there and celebrate the accomplishments of your class! We can't wait to celebrate the accomplishments of the class of 2018!

SAT & ACT

Students in 11th grade should be planning to complete their college admissions tests over the next few months. In general, colleges accept either the SAT or the ACT, so many students will take both and determine which test yields the best result to send to colleges. For test dates, registration deadlines, preparation materials and more information, please access the following:

SAT: www.collegeboard.org **ACT:** www.actstudent.org

If your child requires accommodations for test-taking, you must apply directly to the testing agency for approval. Please contact the school counselor or IEP case manager for more information.

If financial hardship prevents you from paying the registration fees for these tests, you may be eligible for a fee waiver. Contact your child's school counselor for more information about this.

PTSA & PARENT ORGANIZATION NEWS:

The PTSA is looking for a student interested in maintaining its newly redesigned website from August 1, 2018 - July 31, 2019. The website will be redesigned during the summer 2018 in either Weebly or Wix.

What will student get out of it?

- * Service Hours
- * Real-life practical webmaster experience
- * Source of letter of recommendation



Webmaster Requirements:

- * Open to any student in any grade
- * Weebly or Wix experience a plus but not required (but must have an interest in and ability to learn)
- * Able to make updates weekly (at a minimum)
- * Estimated time commitment: 1-2hrs/week for 12 months
- * Teacher sponsor – Ask a teacher to recommend you for the skills, qualities & qualifications you list below.

Mt Hebron High School

PTSA Webmaster Application Aug. 1, 2018 – July 31, 2019

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Email: _____ Cell

Phone: _____

Write a few sentences explaining your interest in becoming the PTSA Webmaster, including your skills, qualities and/or qualifications for the job.

PROM 2019: Saturday, April 27 at The Hotel at Arundel Preserve. Write it down!

MTHMU BOOSTERS ORGANIZATION:

MTHMU & Band Appreciation Night & MTHMU Open Meeting

All MTHMU and Band members, as well as their parents, are invited to attend the MTHMU & Band Appreciation Night on Friday, May 11th at 7pm in the Auditorium. This is also an open meeting for the MTHMU Boosters Organization. We will get the business portion wrapped up quickly at the beginning by voting on next year's budget, the new bylaws, and on the new officers for the upcoming year.

Afterward, classes will be recognized, awards will be announced, a slideshow will be presented, and the new Drum Majors and next year's field show will be publicized! We will wrap up the evening with dessert in the cafeteria.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you would like to help out at the MTHMU Appreciation Night by volunteering your time or bringing items in, please see the following sign up genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4da4a92aa02-mthmu>

Mt Hebron Color Guard Tryouts

The Mt Hebron Color Guard invites students to Tryouts on June 5 - 8 from 6-8 pm in Mt Hebron's Main Gym. Wear comfy clothes and sneakers and bring a water bottle. No prior experience necessary. We'll teach you all you need to know about spinning and dance. Got any questions? Just ask: mhscavaliers@gmail.com

MTHMU Yearbook Information

You can still order your MTHMU Yearbook! This year's book has an optional feature to personalize your yearbook. You can create your own back cover and up to 4 pages for FREE. You can order your yearbook anytime and have it shipped to your house. Order here: <https://mthmu.picaboo.com>

VIKING BACKERS BOOSTER CLUB:

Viking 5K 2018

Mark your calendar now for the annual Viking 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run race and fund raiser Sunday, October 7, 2018. This annual race starts and ends on the school athletic fields and takes runners on a tour of the Mt. Hebron neighborhood streets and adjoining Patapsco Valley trails. Many hands make light work – to help plan and organize this Hebron running tradition with committee chair, Mike Bosilovich, please visit the sign up [HERE](#) .

The outdoor CONCESSION STAND opened this week and will be open at all home athletic events! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED. One adult is needed at each shift, but students can earn service hours. No experience is necessary! Sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44afae2fa2fa7-spring1>

Thank you for joining the Viking Backers Booster Club. All member families should have received an exclusive MEMBERSHIP magnet. Dues represent a large portion of our annual income. All proceeds go toward funding student activities and athletics. If you haven't received your membership items, please contact president@vikingbackers.org

410-989-3717 Viking Backers text/mobile
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Ready, Set, Drive!! DRIVERS EDUCATION CLASSES are being offered every month at Mt. Hebron High School from Street Smarts and Greg's Driving Schools. All classes are sponsored by the Viking Backers Booster Club www.vikingbackers.org, thank you for your support!

- 05/16/18 - 05/30/18: 3:00 - 6:15 pm with Street Smarts Driving School
- 06/16/18 - 07/03/18: 9-12:15 am with Greg's Driving School (no class on 6/26)

For more dates, please check the driving school websites:

www.streetsmartsmd.com – Phone number: 443-355-4238

www.gregsdrivingschool.net - Phone number: 800-456-1255

CAPSA: Chinese American Parent and Student Association (CAPSA)
Grace Wang Committee Chair – Guihua.wang@kci.com or Webmaster Yu Chen – chenyu@umbc.edu or capasa.mhhs@gmail.com

PAAS: Charles Turner President - Charles.Turner@atsol.com. Please join PAAS at <http://mthebronpaas.wixsite.com/paas> PAAS Communications Committee.

PAAS Rites of Passage Senior Recognition Ceremony will be held: Monday, May 14th 6:00PM - 8:00PM St. Johns Baptist Church.

Please see the attached brochure for information regarding this event and information to purchase an advertisement for your senior to be placed in the program.

[Trifold Brochure 2018 Rites of Passage Information.docx](#)

KASPO: Korean American Student Parent Organization (KASPO)

IASPA: Indian American Student Parent Association-Interested in joining-contact Gopi Suri at gopi_suri@yahoo.com.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Ellicott Mills Middle School's production of Annie

Annie is coming to EMMS! Come escape the Hard Knock Life with our EMMS Drama ensemble: May 17, 18, 19 @ 7pm and 20 @ 6:30pm! Tickets available in advance from cast/crew OR at the door! Ticket cost is \$8.00.

For more Community News and Programs visit <http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/>