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**Principal's Message: A September  
to Remember**



As the summer days fade and get back into the swing of the school routine, there's an undeniable buzz of excitement and enthusiasm. The beginning of a new school year is always a time of fresh starts and new possibilities. Hallways that were quiet and empty over summer are now filled with the chatter of students reconnecting with friends, sharing their summer adventures, and eagerly discussing the upcoming year's prospects. The sense of anticipation is palpable, as students, teachers, and staff embrace the chance to set new goals, explore new subjects, and embark on new challenges.

For many, this time of year is like turning a new page in a book. Students are equipped with their new school supplies, classrooms are meticulously arranged to foster an engaging learning environment, and teachers are brimming with enthusiasm. The collective energy of the school community creates a dynamic atmosphere, setting the stage for a year filled with growth and discovery.

Amidst all the excitement, there is also a deep sense of hope. The new school year offers an opportunity for renewal and transformation, where students can redefine themselves, overcome past challenges, and reach for their dreams. It's a time for setting ambitious goals, building new friendships, and fostering resilience. The optimism that accompanies this fresh start is a powerful motivator, driving everyone to make the most of the year ahead. Embrace it.

Scott Perrotte, Principal  
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## MHS September Calendar of Events (events are subject to change)

- Sept 2nd** Labor Day (NO SCHOOL)
- Sept 4th** Safety Drill  
Junior Class Meeting (during Homeroom)
- Sept 11th** Immunization Deadline (See Information Below)  
Senior Class Meeting
- Sept 12th** Senior Portrait Retakes  
BGSU CCP Advisor will be at MHS
- Sept 16th** Financial Aid Night (6:30pm)
- Sept 17th** Mock Crash (Juniors & Seniors)
- Sept 18th** Parent-Teacher Conferences (3pm - 7pm)
- Sept 19th** 9th-11th grade Picture Retakes
- Sept 26th** PENTA Presentation (Freshmen & Sophomores)

### IMMUNIZATIONS: \*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\* (September 11th)



Maumee City School's immunization exemption date is **Wednesday, September 11th** at 3:00 PM. If immunizations are not up to date at this time or we do not have an appointment of when their missing immunizations will be administered, then they will be exempt from school as of Thursday, September 12th.

## Cellphones, Smart Watches, & Earbuds

Cell Phones, Smartwatches, headphones, earbuds, and other electronic equipment must be silenced and stowed in the classroom organizer before the class period begins. Students or parents/guardians who are not comfortable with this requirement may have their student store these devices in their locker. If the teacher explicitly, or verbally permits access to these devices in the classroom, the student may access them. There is no assumed access unless the teacher specifically grants it. Use of this equipment in the halls, cafeteria, school buses, locker rooms/restrooms, or during state assessments is addressed in the Technology and Acceptable Use Policy.

Any electronic device confiscated for inappropriate use will be returned to the student at the end of the day, resulting in a penalty. Second and/or subsequent offenses may result in the issuance of demerits, punitive consequences, and require the parent/guardian to pick-up the electronic device.

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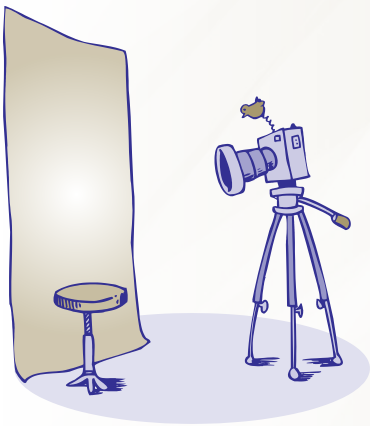
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## Safety Drill (Wednesday, September 4th)

On Wednesday, September 4th at 8:55am, Maumee High School will initiate a Safety Drill. This drill will be a "Safety Alert". This drill is designed to simulate an event where a threat may be in the area of Maumee High School but not inside the building. Teachers will direct all students into classrooms, lockdown, and continue teaching. Once all students and staff are gathered into rooms, the administration will check bathrooms, doors, and other areas through the building to ensure everyone is secure. Students and staff will be notified of the drill before it begins in order to eliminate trauma for everyone involved.

## Senior Class Meeting (September 11th)

On Wednesday, September 11th, the President of Junior Achievement of Northwest Ohio will be presenting to our Senior Class about JA's exciting new Senior Year Experience. The Junior Achievement of Northwest Ohio Senior Year Program offers high school seniors a comprehensive, hands-on experience designed to prepare them for the transition from school to the workforce or higher education. This program focuses on essential skills such as financial literacy, career planning, and entrepreneurship, providing students with practical knowledge and real-world applications. Through interactive workshops, mentorship opportunities, and simulations, participants gain valuable insights into personal finance management, job market trends, and business fundamentals. By bridging the gap between academic learning and professional development, the program equips students with the tools and confidence needed to successfully navigate their future career paths.



## Senior Portraits Retakes (September 12th)

If your Senior was not able to get their Senior Portrait taken earlier in August OR they want to have their portrait retaken, SENIOR PORTRAIT RETAKES will take place on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th at Maumee High School from 7:30am-9:30am. They will take place on the PAC Stage.

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## Financial Aid Night (September 16th)

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## Mock Crash (September 17th)

A Mock Crash event scheduled for Tuesday, September 17th. A Mock Crash is a simulated emergency response exercise designed to educate students about the dangers of reckless behavior, particularly related to driving under the influence or distracted driving. During the event, a staged vehicle collision is set up, complete with actors portraying injured individuals and emergency responders performing their roles. The scenario aims to provide a realistic depiction of the consequences of unsafe driving, including the potential for severe injury and loss of life. By witnessing the dramatic portrayal of a crash and the subsequent emergency response, students gain a heightened awareness of the impact of their choices and are encouraged to adopt safer driving practices and make more responsible decisions.



## Parent-Teacher Conferences (September 18th)

On September 18th, Maumee High School will host Parent-Teacher Conferences from 3:00pm - 7:00pm. Teachers will have 15-minute sessions to meet with parents to discuss their student's academic progress, needs, and plans for success. Parents and guardians can call the Maumee High School Main Office at 419-893-8778 to schedule conference times. If you are unable to attend in person, you can schedule a phone conference. We look forward to Parent-Teacher Conferences as an opportunity for teachers and parents/guardians to come alongside one another in partnership for your child's education.

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## PENTA Presentation (September 26th)

On Thursday, September 26th, representatives from PENTA Career Center will be on hand at MHS to present to our Freshmen and Sophomore Classes about the various vocational programs and offerings at PENTA. Both Freshmen and Sophomore students have the opportunity to continue their education at PENTA in fields that culminate in earning an industry recognized credential. PENTA is a great opportunity for those students seeking a non-traditional experience for their high school education.

## Homecoming 2024

Homecoming is scheduled for **Saturday, October 12th, 2024 from 7pm - 9pm** in the Maumee High School Gym. If your student intends to bring a guest to Homecoming, they must complete a Homecoming Guest Form. These forms will be emailed to MHS Students and MHS Students at PENTA. Paper copies are also available in the MHS Main Office. All guest forms must be submitted before a guest bid can be purchased. **Homecoming Guest Forms are Due by 3:00pm on Thursday, October 3rd.**

Pre-Sale Homecoming Bids will go on sale during lunch periods and after school until 3:45pm on Monday, October 7th through Wednesday, October 9th. Presale Bids are \$20. **ALL GUEST BIDS MUST BE PURCHASED DURING THE PRESALE.** Guest Bids will not be sold at the door.

Bids at the door will cost \$40. (MHS PENTA Students will only be charged \$20 at the door because it is difficult for Penta students to get pre-sale tickets.)

All guests MUST have a form of ID to enter. NO GUEST BIDS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.

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## After-School Tutoring:

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## Therapy Dog: Maggie

We are delighted to introduce our newest furry friend, Maggie, to the school community—a dedicated therapy dog ready to bring comfort, companionship, and joy to all who cross her path. This addition to our school aims to provide emotional support and promote well-being among students and staff alike. With her gentle demeanor and unconditional love, the therapy dog offers a comforting presence that can alleviate stress and anxiety, creating a more nurturing environment for learning and personal growth here at school.

The therapy dog program is designed not only to enhance emotional support but also to foster a sense of community within our school. Through scheduled visits and interactions, students have the opportunity to develop empathy, responsibility, and a deeper understanding of the importance of kindness towards animals and each other. Whether it's lending a listening ear during challenging times or simply spreading warmth through its wagging tail, therapy dogs embody the spirit of compassion and solidarity that we cherish in our educational environment. We look forward to witnessing the positive impact Maggie will undoubtedly have on our school community for years to come.

## Student Assessments & Academic Intervention Services:

The Maumee Board of Education has policies in place related to student assessments and academic intervention services. Links to these policies and other important testing

information can be found on the school district website under the FEDERAL PROGRAMS tab.

## Kroger Community Rewards:

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We encourage you to invite your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers and acquaintances to enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards Program even if they did not participate in the past. How much Maumee High School earns will depend on how much members spend shopping at Kroger. All participants need to have a Kroger Plus Card (which can be obtained in any Kroger store at the customer service desk).

## Additional Title I Information:

- Link to School/Parent/Student Compact
- Link to the webpage that includes Parent Involvement Plan & Related Policies

## IMPORTANT LINKS:

- MHS Website
- MHS Guidance / Counseling Information
- MHS Graduation Information / Class of 2021 Information
- Interact Website
- Volunteer Hours Log



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