

# Staff Bulletin

**August 30 - September 3**

## Message from the Principal

Apples to Ms. Mary Lehman, for all of her tech assistance!



Apples to **Mr. Len Greenwood** for his walk-the-talk work. Check out his article in the recent Bohemian, "Why do We Prize War Over Education." The question is: do we? How can we tell?

**Parking Lot:** remember! No students to the parking lot. Off limits.

**IB Learner this week: INQUIRERS.**

Natural curiosity, show independence in learning, do skilled research, enjoy learning.

### Upcoming Meetings:

Site Council: Tuesday, September 7th

MEF: Tuesday, September 7th, 7pm, SSC

Grant applications for fall are due to the MEF by Tuesday, August 31st. Applications were placed in your box the first week of school.

## Happy Birthday Viking Staffers:

September 1 Steve Dixon

### Professional Learning Spot

*Look here each week for educational news and tidbits!*

~Teacher strategies to increase the rigor in class: (from Teach Like a Champion)

~"No Opt Out." Students don't get to slide by – keep asking and help that student finally be able to answer the question.

~"Stretch It:" Asking follow-up questions, geared to that student's level of understanding and ability.

Increasing the complexity of the question, applying the situation in a new context, asking for the opposite.

## From the Desk of Mr. White...

•"A Pat on the Back" to the many that are standing at their doors during passing time...it is helping us get our students into class on time!!

•Log onto OARS as soon as you can to make sure you have access and student rosters are accurate!

•Friday, September 6 is the last day for students to put in a request to their counselor for a schedule change from one class to another, other than IWE/TA;

•Friday, September 28 is the last day for a student to drop or change a class to a TA or IWE. All drops after this date will result in an "F" grade for the semester. Only level changes, (if a student is misplaced allowed after this date.

•Testing Dates;

✓CELDT Starts Sept 1

✓CAHSEE for Seniors Oct. 5th & 6th

✓PSAT = Oct 16

## Back to School Night

Thursday, September 16th 6:30-8:30pm

•WOW...1st Q Oral Grade Week starts Sept. 13!!

### Extra-Duty Assignments

Fri.	9/3	Girls' Soccer, Spvsr	Gallerdo, Gabby
Fri.	9/3	Girls' Soccer, tickets	Berg, Chris
Fri.	9/3	Girls' Soccer, tickets	Leddy, Bridget

# Student Bulletin

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**Great appreciation to our new cheer team for their positive contributions to our start of school!**

Appreciation to our new Student Body President, **Jamie Goldfield!**

**We are an IB School. We are INQUIRERS!**



- Do you develop your natural curiosity?
- Do you work on your research skills?
- Do you show independence in learning?
- Do you actively enjoy learning?

**Then you are an IB Learner and a great Viking!**

**Principal's Weekly Challenge:**

**Make the effort!**

At 211 degrees, water is hot. At 212 degrees, it boils.

And with boiling water, comes steam.

And with steam, you can power a train.

Just one degree more can make all the difference.

Where can you turn up the heat for yourself in school?

- 2 extra acts of kindness weekly?
- 15 extra minutes a day creates over 90 hours each year for what's most important to you.
- 1 extra contact daily sparks 180 more personal connections every 6 months.

## **Counseling Corner**

### **Scheduling Updates**

Last day to change your schedule is Thursday, September 7th. Last day to drop to T.A. without a grade of "F" is September 28th.

If you have requested a schedule change be sure to go to your original scheduled classes until you get a copy of your new schedule for attendance purposes. Do not come to the counseling office without a pass from a counselor or a teacher! Please be aware that classes may be changing due to upcoming leveling and balancing.

All work permits that were issued during the last school year or over the summer will expire on August 31. If you need to renew your work permit, please pick up a yellow application from the wall outside of Mrs. Billing's office, complete the top half of the form, and return it to Mrs. Billing. Your new renewal should be available for pickup within 24 hours.

Thank you to those students who are eating their lunch on the front lawn AND picking up their garbage. Your cooperation in putting your garbage in the proper containers is appreciated.

Cross Country has a website! Visit [www.vikingxc.com](http://www.vikingxc.com) to check it out! Also, if you haven't tried out for a sport or didn't make it on your first choice team, make your second choice Cross Country! See Mrs. Colgrove in the main office for the coach's contact information.

## **PSAT**

Juniors & sophomores mark your calendars for the PSAT on October 16th. Sign-ups/tickets will be in the MHS Business Office in October – exact date to be announced. Juniors will have priority. The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) is a program cosponsored by the College Board & National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). It's a standardized test that provides firsthand practice for the SAT®. It also gives you a chance to enter NMSC scholarship programs and gain access to college and career planning tools. For more information visit [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com).

## Counseling Corder...Continued

### SAT Prep Course

Revolution Prep is excited to announce SAT Prep classes on your campus!! Revolution Prep is offering a high quality, affordable test prep course in preparation for the October 9th SAT are starting this Saturday, August 28th! To get more information, visit your Counselor or call 1-877-REV-PREP. The class schedule is also available online at [www.revolutionprep.com](http://www.revolutionprep.com). Call now to reserve your spot in the Revolution Prep Course.

Attention all students: The MHS Athletic Boosters has generously offered to buy a new Viking Mascot Outfit. The Cheerleading Coaches (Mrs. Angel and Mrs. Huffman) will be holding Mascot tryouts as soon as it arrives. Anyone interested in being the new Viking Mascot please see Mrs. Angel or Mrs. Huffman in Rooms 85 or 83.

Buy your Viking Spirit Clothing on Friday's afterschool from 3:00 to 4:00 pm in Mrs. Angel's Room 85. For sale are tie-dye t-shirts, camouflage t-shirts, class t-shirts, class shorts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, hats, beanies, and jerseys.

Journalism Club will meet in room 61 on Thursday at 12:35. New members welcome. Bring your lunch.

### \*\*\*\*\*LINK CREW\*\*\*\*\*

Link Crew meeting at lunch on Wednesday, September 1, in room 53. Please be prompt as we are going to elect officers and "plan" our first activity for the 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

Date	Event	Location	Dismiss	Start
8/30	Tennis	Larkspur	1:45PM	3:30PM
8/31	Girls' Golf	Bennett Vy	2:30PM	3:30PM
8/31	Girls' Soccer	Sonoma	1:55PM	JV: 4 PM; V: 6 PM
9/1	Tennis	MHS	N/A	3:30PM
9/2	Girls' Golf	Bennett VLy	2:30PM	3:30PM
9/2	Girls' Soccer	St. Vincent	JV: 2:25PM	JV: 4 PM
9/3	Girls' Soccer	MHS	JV: 2:25PM	JV: 4 PM; V: 6 PM
9/2	Girls' Tennis	MHS	N/A	3:30 PM
9/3	Football	Windsor	JV: 2:30PM	5:00pm 7:30 pm

### Make-up pictures will be taken on Monday, September 13.

Here are the important facts about this day:

1. Make-up pictures will be taken in the Cafeteria throughout the day by appointment only.
2. If you never had an ID picture taken (during orientation or on the first day of school), you will be given a pass with an appointment time on it to have your picture taken. Mrs. Billing will post a list of names and assigned times in the Main Office for your review.
3. If you are a staff member and have not had your picture taken, please go to the Cafeteria during your prep or before school. Staff members do not have to wait in line; "cut" the line so that you can get your picture taken and get back to work. Teachers: if you have an afternoon prep, please take your picture before school or contact the office and we'll provide someone to cover for you for a few minutes.
4. If you purchased a picture packet, but do not like your picture, you will have to "negotiate" with the *Lifetouch* photographer regarding a retake. They require you to bring the picture packet with you and then explain why you want the retake. The photographer will decide whether or not you qualify for a retake. These retakes are to be done during break or lunch only, not during class time.
5. If you don't like your picture, but did NOT purchase a picture packet, *Lifetouch* will NOT retake your picture unless there is an obvious problem. For example, your eyes are closed, your tongue is hanging out, etc. The Lifetouch photographer will make this decision.