



September 11, 2023

## A Proud Past, A Promising Future

*“As we start a new week, may you stay positive and committed to your goals! I wish you a wonderful week ahead.” – Author Unknown*

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Volleyball @ Clinton 5:30/7 pm

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

#### • STUDENT EARLY RELEASE DAY

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Swim @ Newberry YMCA

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Girls Tennis vs. Ninety-Six 5 pm  
• JV Football @ Boiling Springs 6 pm

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Varsity Football vs. Columbia

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- Cross Country Lake Murray Invitational @ Chapin
- JV Volleyball Tournament @ Pelion 8 am

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Girls Tennis @ Newberry 5 pm  
• Volleyball @ Newberry 5:30/7 pm

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Cross Country @ Fountain Inn

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
• Volleyball @ Abbeville 5:30/7 pm  
• Girls Tennis @ Abbeville 5 pm  
• Swim @ Quail Hollow

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Breakfast – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk  
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- Band Show Day @ Boiling Springs
- Competitive Cheer Okra Strut Invitational @ Irmo
- Cross Country Lakelands Invitational
- Varsity Volleyball Tournament @ Fox Creek 8:30 am

## GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to MCHS August Students of the Month, **Natalie Templin** (9th), **Caroline Ayers** (10th), **Kynley Mack** (11th), and **Shelby Wilson** (12th).

Congratulations to **Mr. Jason Long**, MCHS’ Teacher of the Month and **Mrs. Sissy Delesandro**, Support Staff of the Month for August.

Congratulations **Ethan Templin**! Ethan is the MCHS Newberry County Exchange Club Youth of the Month for September 2023. He was recognized at the Newberry County Exchange Club meeting on Monday, September 5, 2023.

## On-going/Upcoming Events

2023-2024 ACT  
Test @ MCHS  
October 28, 2023  
December 9, 2023  
April 13, 2024  
July 13, 2024

2023-2024 SAT  
Test @ MCHS  
October 7, 2023  
November 4, 2023  
December 2, 2023  
March 9, 2024  
May 4, 2024  
June 1, 2024



Rhodes Graduation Services (Jostens) will hold a **senior class meeting** on **Thursday, September 14**, to inform students of ordering senior supplies.

The senior class meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. Seniors will be able to place their orders online at [www.rhodesgraduation.com](http://www.rhodesgraduation.com). The deadline to order graduation supplies will be **Thursday, September 21**. Rhodes Graduation will return on **Thursday, October 5**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., to deliver early celebration items.

MCHS Seniors are Invited to attend “**College Application Day**” on **Friday, October 6, 2023**. Seniors will have the opportunity to sit down with counselors and college representatives to complete college applications. If you have any questions or need help, representatives from all across the state will be available to assist. Make sure to register with your school counselor to attend this event. Appointment times will be given based on last names.  
A-F -- (12:00pm- 12:35pm) – Ms. Wicker  
G-M-- (12:40pm- 1:15 pm) – Ms. McAllister  
N-Z -- (1:20 pm- 1:55pm) – Mr. Durant  
**SENIORS: For more information please check your student email.**



## 2023-2024 MCHS Senior Picture Make-Up Day Monday, November 13, 2023

**ASVAB (Nov 14, 2023 & March 19, 2024)**  
The ASVAB is offered to high school students as part of their Career Assessment. It helps students learn more about career exploration and planning, in both the civilian and military worlds of work. The ASVAB assessment is free of charge to students.

The ASVAB is administered at Mid Carolina High School generally in the fall and spring to interested sophomores, juniors and seniors. Please note: you do not need to be joining the military to take this test. To reserve your spot for the test please stop by the [guidance department](http://www.mid-carolinahighschool.org/o/mchs/article/1195128) and add your name to the test list. <https://www.mid-carolinahighschool.org/o/mchs/article/1195128>



## MCHS Prom 2024 Saturday April 27, 2024

### DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.

Reserve your 2023-2024 yearbook today for \$85. After Christmas the price will increase to \$90. Yearbook orders are placed on January 23 with the publishing company. A limited number of extras will be ordered. Therefore, if you wish to purchase a yearbook after January 23, your name will be placed on a waiting list. If you receive a yearbook at delivery, payment of \$90 will be expected at time of issue. [https://yearbookforever.com/schools/midcarolina\\_high\\_school\\_buy\\_yearbook\\_5230/V3FCaysuW1QV25mT3FEMMAZZQ](https://yearbookforever.com/schools/midcarolina_high_school_buy_yearbook_5230/V3FCaysuW1QV25mT3FEMMAZZQ)

**Our mission: To engage students in educational experiences that ensure success and life-long learning.**

*Our vision is of a culture where all ideas are valued; a cooperative relationship exists between the school, the district, and the community; collaboration is expected; and people want to work and students want to learn.*

## Important Dates

9/11	Quarter 1 Interims
9/13	Student Early Release Day
9/14	Sr. Class Grad Meeting w/ Rhodes Graduation-9 a.m.
9/21	Graduation Order Deadline
9/25	SDNC School Board Mtg.
10/4	Faculty Meeting
10/6	College Application Day
10/10	Fall Mid-Term Exams (1st & 3rd Block)
10/11	Fall Mid-Term Exams (2nd & 4th Block) End of 1st Nine Weeks
10/13	Q1 Report Cards Parent Teacher Conferences - No School for Students
10/16	Schools/Offices Closed
10/18	PSAT Testing
10/23	SDNC School Board Mtg. SIC Meeting @MCHS 5 pm
10/25	Student Early Release Day

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## POSITIVITY IS THE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

Some people roll their eyes when they hear someone talk about positivity. They think of positivity as pollyanna, weak and annoying. They mistakenly think positivity is about rah rah and motivation.

But real positivity is really about optimism, grit, mental toughness and energy that delivers real results. Positivity doesn't ignore reality. It maintains optimism and belief in order to create a better reality.

Positivity attracts great people to your team and organization and helps you build a great culture. It is the glue that fosters essential relationships and connections and helps you overcome the negativity that sabotages your vision and mission.

Too many people think you have to choose between positivity and winning. The truth is, you don't have to choose. Positivity leads to winning. It's the way to lead and perform if you want to win. Just ask the Los Angeles Dodgers and Rams, Clemson Football, Miami Heat, Tampa Bay Lightning and many other teams I've worked with that embrace positivity and win.

### Positivity is the competitive advantage!

If you don't believe it or have some doubters on your team/organization, you can share the following proof of positivity with them.

### Benefits of a Positive Perspective:

How you see the world determines the world you see. A positive perspective causes you to see the world in a positive light which helps you see the good that is happening right now and create positive possibilities tomorrow. Positivity broadens your perspective allowing you to see and find solutions where negativity narrows it and causes you to focus on problems. A positive mindset sees challenges as opportunities, fosters adaptability and growth and powers you to thrive through change.

### The Power of a Positive Mindset:

A positive mindset nourishes your mind and brain with positive thoughts and beliefs that maximize your ability and potential. I've never heard anyone say that someone needs to be more negative in order to get better. Most of us need more positivity because we must constantly battle life's challenges. Positivity helps you overcome the negativity that discourages you and the adversity that makes you want to give up. So when faced with adversity, naysayers, criticism and rejection, a positive mindset leads to a higher state of mind that leads to more grit, resilience, optimism, belief, growth and success.

### Positive Leaders Deliver Positive Results:

A Positive Leader is a better leader. A Positive Leader sees a positive future and is able to rally their team to create it. With a positive mindset, a positive leader is able to encourage themselves and their team through challenges and change and develop relationships that lead to enhanced engagement and performance. Throughout history, it's the positive leaders who have made the greatest impact and changed the world.

### Positive Leaders Build Great Cultures:

When talking about Positive Leadership, we must also recognize that positive leaders build great cultures that lead to sustained success. Great cultures don't happen by accident. They are created by positive leaders who live and share core values, implement success principles, attract and hire people who bring the principles and values to life and reinforce their culture. Positive leaders invest in the root (culture, people, purpose) that lead to the fruit (results, success).

### Positive Teams Outperform Negative Teams:

Speaking of results, no one creates success alone. We all need a team to be successful and positivity is essential to building a strong team. Teams that stay positive through adversity together grow stronger and succeed together. Negative teams divide, crumble and fall apart. Positive teams unite, connect, commit and get stronger together.

### Positive Relationships Build Strength:

Relationships are the foundation that builds a strong team and guess what helps build a great relationship? You guessed it. Positivity. Couples who had more positive interactions at a ratio of 3 positive to 1 negative or greater were more likely to stay married. Couples who compliment, support, and encourage one another are happier and stronger together. Numerous studies demonstrate that positive relationships at work lead to higher engagement, greater retention and improved morale and performance.

I could go on and on and talk about how positivity makes you a better coach, teacher, parent, designer, builder, etc. To build something or build up someone, optimism, positivity and belief are essential to building greatness. If you don't have it, you can't share it. Look around and it's clear the world desperately needs you to share positivity.

Positivity isn't the only ingredient for success, but it's the key ingredient that makes you and everything you do and everyone around you better.

Positivity is the difference, and it is the key to you making a greater difference.

Start fueling up with the Competitive Advantage today!

-Jon Gordon

Stay *positive* and happy.  
Work hard and don't give up hope. Be open to criticism and keep learning. Surround yourself with happy, warm and genuine people.

Tena Des

## Reminders

### FACULTY SUNSHINE FUND

Don't forget to contribute to the MCHS Faculty Sunshine Fund.



The cost for 2023-2024 is \$20 each.

Please check your mailboxes and e-mail for vital information early each morning.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday wishes to:

**James Taylor (9/11), Hyman Rubin (9/14), Lorrie Kibler (9/17), Kindred Durant (9/18), and Amber Pennington (9/23).**

