

October 23, 2023

A Proud Past, A Promising Future

The secret of getting ahead is getting -- Mark Twain started.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Student Early Release Day

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk **Lunch** – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

- Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk Lunch Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
- JV Football @ Ninety-Six 6 pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk Lunch – Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk • Varsity Football @ Eau Claire 7:30 pm

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

Semi-Formal Dance - Student Council Sponsored

- Competitive Cheer Lake Murray Cheer Invitational @ Chapin High School Band SCBDA Finals @ Westwood

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30

WIN Testing

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



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 - Halloween

WIN Testing

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER I

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Powderpuff Game - 5:30 pm

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Breakfast -Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk

- Lunch Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk Cross Country 2A Upper State Qualifiers @ TBA (Varsity ONLY)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- Cross Country 2A Upper State Qualifiers @ TBA (Varsity ONLY)
- Competitive Cheer Debbie Rogers Cheer Classic @ Colonial Life Arena

GOOD NEWS

Eleven representatives (Gage Gilliam, Bella Ferreira, Julianne Wicker, Kynley Mack, Chauncey Hardrick, Hanna Quattlebaum, Ashlyn Sasser, Carter Vinson, Kassidy Sanders, Alana Stockman, and Tarance Anderson) from the MCHS Student Council attended the 2023 Southern Association of Student Council (SASC) Conference that was held at Chapin High School. Our MCHS representatives entered seven projects at the conference and placed 2nd or

3rd for six of the projects. These students will create a presentation and present everything they learned to our entire student council in the coming weeks.

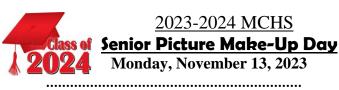
On-going/Upcoming Events

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

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

..... Our MCHS Veterans Day Celebration will be held on Friday, November 10. The celebration will start with a Veterans appreciation breakfast starting at 8:15 AM in the cafeteria followed by the ceremony in the gymnasium at 9:00 AM. Anyone interested in inviting a Veteran please see Major Taylor or Sergeant Major Lewis for a Veteran invitation letter. A Veterans Day guest information online Google form is also available on the MCHS website.

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Underclassmen Picture Make-up Day Smile PLEASE Monday, November 13, 2023 \odot

ASVAB (Nov 15, 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 <u>guidance department</u> and add your name to the test list. <u>https://www.mid-</u> <u>carolinahighschool.org/o/mchs/article/1195128</u>

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Attention 9th Grade Students

Are you interested in learning more about programs offered at Newberry County Career Center? Join us on **Wednesday**, **November 29th**, **2023**, to enjoy the experience of and learn about the different programs at Newberry County Career Center.

Programs and information can be found on the Newberry County Career Center website: NCCC Programs and Classes Information

Students will have the opportunity to tour NCCC to get a more in-depth look at the programs they are interested in. Complete the permission form and return to your school counselor, either in person or by email, before 3 PM on Friday November, 2, 2023. Hard copies of the form will be available in the main office and in the guidance office. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Durant at kdurant@sdnc.org.

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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/V3FCaysuWIQV25mT3FMMAZZQ

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Important Dates

10/23 Envirothon Mtg 3:15 Models Academy 11:05 am SDNC School Board Mtg. Lunch/Activity Content Recovery Program Begins

10/23 &
10/24SDNC Benefits Open
Enrollment @ MCHS

10/24 Academic Challenge Practice—3:15-4:30 pm Bookworms Mtg. Afterschool Seat Time Academy

- 10/25 Student Early Release Day
- 10/26 Student Council Meeting -Both Lunches Pizza w/Principal STAC Meeting - M. Wise -3:30 pm DO
- 10/27 FCA Meeting 7:30 am Yearbook Mtg. Both Lurches–607 Rotary Student of the Month &TOY Recognition-1 pm
- 10/28 ACT Semi-Formal Dance
- 10/30 WIN Testing Math Assessment 8 am Data Assessment 12:10 pm
- 10/31 WIN Testing Reading Assessment 8 am Beta Pin Committee Mtg.— 1st Lunch—RM 410 Academic Challenge Practice—3:15-4:30 pm
- 11/1 9th Grade Mass Screening Prom Committee Mtg.— 1st Lunch—RM 410 Faculty Meeting
- 11/2 Powderpuff Game 5:30 p.m. Student Council Mtg— Both Lunches
- 11/3 Yearbook Mtg— Both Lunches—RM 607
- 11/4 SAT
- 11/6 Envirothon Mtg 3:15 pm— RM 305 Models Academy 11:05 am -12:05 pm—Media Center
- 11/7- Miss MC Prep & Rehearsal
- 11/7 Academic Challenge Practice—3: 15-4:30 pm Career Quest—Media Ctr. 11:05 am-12:05 pm





and e-mail for

vital information



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.

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THE MOST EXPENSIVE CUP OF COFFEE EVER WAS WORTH IT

My wife forgot to get milk for her morning cup of coffee.

We were renting a house in the town where I grew up on Long Island, NY for a week and even on vacation I know she likes to have her coffee with milk to kick start her day.

So, when I woke up at 7am, I decided I was going to be a super husband and drive to the grocery store and get her milk before going to the gym to workout. We were driving to Boston that morning and I wanted to workout before we left, so getting the milk was an inconvenience that altered my morning plans.

While I'm in the checkout line buying the milk, I'm feeling pretty good about myself. I'm even telling myself, "She's going to love this. She is going to wake up and walk to the fridge, see the new carton of milk and call me Saint Jon."

On my drive back to the house, I'm in such deep thought about how great of a husband I am that I didn't realize I was going over the speed limit. A few minutes later, flashing lights appeared in my rear-view mirror and a police officer pulled me over and gave me a ticket. He said I could pay a fine, take the points and watch my insurance cost increase or appear in traffic court.

Appearing in court wasn't an option since the court date was in December and I live in Florida, not NY.

I drove away frustrated that I got a ticket, when I didn't even

think I was speeding. I was frustrated that this happened as the result of me trying to do something nice for my wife. Are you kidding me? No good deed goes unpunished, I thought.

With the ticket, fine and insurance cost, it was going to be the most expensive milk I've ever bought, to create the most expensive cup of coffee ever.

I honestly wasn't being very positive.

But then, I had a positive thought.

As the pessimistic optimist I am, I thought this had to have happened for a reason. I don't know why but I think it's going to lead to something good. After delivering the priceless milk to my wife for her coffee, I drove to the gym to workout.

While working out, a trainer and a woman he was training asked me if I was done with the bench I was using. I said I was and then asked them if they happened to know of a good traffic lawyer in the area because I just got a ticket and perhaps an attorney could appear in traffic court on my behalf.

The conversation continued and I learned that the woman's son had played lacrosse for my rival school and sadly, he passed away from cancer, just a few years ago while still in college. The woman was obviously distraught and cried as she talked about him and his faithful fight and incredible spirit. I was able to tell her and the trainer how I viewed death, dealt with the death of my parents, and shared thoughts and words that comforted her.

She said she was looking for a sign and perhaps this was one. I told her it was definitely a sign because if I didn't get the traffic ticket, I wouldn't have asked them if they knew of an attomey, and we wouldn't have had this meaningful conversation.

She had felt the presence of her son recently and knew he didn't want her to be angry and bitter anymore. We agreed this was a big initial step in her healing and moving forward.

As I drove away from the gym, I was no longer angry about the ticket. I realized I had to get the ticket in order for this woman to begin healing. The most expensive cup of coffee ever, was worth it.

I realized that we are all connected and sometimes we have to be inconvenienced and stressed for someone else to be blessed.

I've decided that from now on, when something doesn't work out the way I want it to, I'm going to choose to believe there's a bigger reason, a bigger lesson and bigger blessing that's on the way.

Have a great week!

– Jon Gordon



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