



November 6, 2023

A Proud Past, A Promising Future

*“Gratitude makes sense of our past,
brings peace for today, and creates a
vision for tomorrow.” -- Melody Beattie*

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Veteran’s Day Program

Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk
• Cross Country 2A State Championships

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

SIC MEETING **FINAL Senior Picture Make-Up Day** **FINAL Underclassmen Picture Make-Up Day**

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Pre-ACT (10th Grade)
Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk
• JV Boys Basketball @ Heathwood Hall (Scrimmage)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Interims Issued - Quarter 2 **ASVAB Testing** **Class Ring Delivery 11 am - 1 pm**

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Fall Chorus Concert @ MCMS
Breakfast –Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Manager’s Choice, Juice, Milk
• Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Columbia (Scrimmage)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- Competitive Cheer - State Cheer Competition @ Colonial Life Arena
- JV/MS Wrestling @ Hillcrest - Ram Invitational

GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to **Mrs. Amber Pennington!** She is our 2023-2024 Distinguished Literacy Teacher. She will now go on to the district competition to be announced on November 14th. Way to go, Mrs. Pennington!

Congratulations to **Isabella Ferreira!** Isabella is the MCHS Newberry County Rotary Club Student of the Month for October 2023. She was recognized at the Newberry County Rotary meeting on Friday, October 27, 2023.

Congratulations to MCHS October Students of the Month, **Jennifer Boland** (9th), **Bailey Teseniar** (10th), **Julianne Wicker** (11th), and **Taylor Williams** (12th).


Congratulations to **Mrs. Amber Pennington**, MCHS’ Teacher of the Month and **Mr. Willie Williams**, Support Staff of the Month for October.

On-going/Upcoming Events

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

2023-2024 SAT Test @ MCHS
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.

 **2023-2024 MCHS Class of 2024 Senior Picture Make-Up Day**
Monday, November 13, 2023

Underclassmen Picture Make-up Day 
Monday, November 13, 2023

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

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](https://www.nccc.org)

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.

 **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/V3FCaysuW1QV25mT3EMMAZZO

Important Dates

- 11/4 SAT
- 11/6 Envirothon Mtg 3:15 pm—RM 305
Models Academy 11:05 am—12:05 pm—Media Center
- 11/7-11/10 Miss MC Prep & Rehearsal
- 11/7 Academic Challenge Practice—3:15-4:30 pm
Career Quest—Media Ctr. 11:05 am-12:05 pm
Calendar Feedback Due to Mrs. Wise
- 11/8 Faculty Meeting
Beta Pin Committee Mtg
Both Lunches—Rm 410
- 11/9 Student Council Mtg.
Both Lunches
Chorus - SCMEA All-State Auditions
Guidance/Admin Mtg.
- 11/10 FCA Mtg. 7:30 am-8 am RM 311
Veterans Day Program
Yearbook Mtg
Both Lunches—RM 607
- 11/11 Saturday School
- 11/13 Envirothon Mtg. 3:15-4 pm—RM 305
School Board Mtg
Senior Final Picture
Make-up Day
Underclassmen Final
Picture Make-Up Day
SIC Mtg.—5 pm
SDNC School Board Mtg.
- 11/14 Academic Challenge Practice—3:15-4:30 pm
Pre-ACT 8 am (10th GR)
- 11/15 IDM PD
Class Ring Delivery
ASVAB Testing
Interims Distributed
- 11/16 Student Council Meeting - Both Lunches
Fall Chorus Concert at MCMS
Academic Challenge Meet - Mini Bowl 2 - @ McCormick HS
- 11/17 Make-Up Pre-ACT
Yearbook Mtg
Both Lunches—RM 607

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

M-C Faculty News

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.



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ONE TEAM BUILDING WITH HOPE

They say hope is not a strategy.

I disagree.

Hope in the future gives you power in the present to take one more step today.

This week, I saw a family in Mexico have their hopes and dreams realized as a group of volunteers took steps to build their new home.

Their current home consisted of one room the size of a small office with one bed, a fridge, oven, no bathroom, and no running water for a family of four. Four people slept in one bed.

I was invited by Sean and Janet Lambert, the founders of Homes of Hope, to speak to all their volunteers who consist of many business leaders, their families and teams.

Businesses and family's partner with Homes of Hope to build a home (they've built over 8000 around the world) and while I was there speaking, many of the business leaders told me it was the most powerful team building initiative they've ever done.

I decided I couldn't just talk the talk; I had to walk the walk and join them in building a home.

You may think I'm handy because I wrote The Carpenter but actually, I'm one of the least handy people on the

planet. But I had hope I could contribute and so I put on a tool belt, grabbed a hammer and volunteered.

As a student and teacher of people and team dynamics, I watched and experienced CEO's of companies, employees, spouses, kids, and Mexican Homes of Hope builders, all work together alongside the family to build their home.

Within minutes, I watched as titles, job status, corporate hierarchy, economic backgrounds and past accomplishments dissolved into one hope, one mission and everyone became an equal member of the team.

If someone needed help carrying sheet rock, you carried it with them. If someone needed nails hammered, you hammered. If someone needed sheet rock to be painted, you painted. And if the man whose house you were building needed help, you helped him.

There was a moment that will be etched in my memory forever. I could see the look in his eyes. This man was on a ladder, proudly building the new home his family would be moving into. It was the home they hoped for and now he was building the realty. He needed some nails and so I grabbed a handful and hand-

ed them one at a time to him as he hammered the sheet rock into the studs near the ceiling.

Each time he looked down at me and opened his hand I gave him a nail. In that moment I was his helper. Me dissolved into WE. I came there as a volunteer to help him fund and build his house, but now he was helping me become a better teammate. It was a moment of connection and oneness.

That's what building a home with hope does. It brings people together. It creates connection. It creates oneness. And that's why it's such a powerful team building experience. (Click here to watch my Homes of Hope building video.)

The same goes for your business, school, hospital, church or organization. When you become ONE team and lose your egos and status and past accomplishments, you become a powerful team that creates a future filled with hope.

— Jon Gordon



Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness.

— Desmond Tutu

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday wishes to:
Jackie Harris (11/12) and Sheryll Middleton (11/19).