

MADISON HIGH SCHOOL

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Madison High School Families,

We hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer filled with quality time spent with family and friends. It is with great excitement that we welcome all students back to Madison High School on **Tuesday, September 5th** for the first day of the 23-24 school year.

Summer Packet

This letter will provide you with additional information pertaining to the upcoming school year and includes a list of forms that we ask parents to review and complete for each child prior to the first day of school. Those forms will be available on the Genesis Parent Portal on **Friday, August 25th at 3:00 pm**. Please refer to the [district's letter](#) from Wednesday, August 23rd regarding how to access Genesis and those forms. In addition, we have created direct links below to provide parents with access to the information and forms needed to prepare for the upcoming school year. We recognize that this can be a cumbersome process and appreciate the time you take to complete everything requested of you. Please remember that if you have more than one child attending the high school you will need to complete the applicable forms for each child.

Student Schedules

Student schedules will be made available on the Genesis Parent Portal on **Friday, August 25th at 3:00 pm** after the required Back to School forms have been completed. All students should review their schedules prior to the start of the school year. If a student is missing a core course (PE, Math, Science, English, History, World Language) they expected to be in their schedule they should contact their school counselor. Unless a student has been scheduled incorrectly or there are extenuating circumstances, there will be **no** changes to core classes. If a student would like to request an elective change, please complete the [Google Elective Change Request Form](#). Please be mindful that counselors will not be in their offices or responding to emails until **Monday, August 28th**. We appreciate your patience.

Staffing

We are pleased to welcome in a number of new faculty members this year as a result of recent retirements, transfers, and resignations. We have thoroughly invested our time in hiring the best educators and support staff to work with our students, and we are confident that the individuals joining our faculty will do an outstanding job.

- Allison Foer (Special Education)
- Maria Hittinger (French)
- Travis Lankford (Biology)
- Nicole Prisco (History)
- Michele Rack (Mathematics)
- Nicholas Son (Physics)
- Mary Thomas (Media Specialist)
- Amy Zaniewski (School Counselor)

- Alexa Zubulake (Mathematics)

New Student & Ninth Grade Orientation

We welcome all students new to Madison and incoming ninth graders to the MHS auditorium on **Tuesday, August 29th at 9:00 am**. Students will be provided a tutorial on how to interpret their schedule, a tour of the building including access to their assigned hallway locker, and the opportunity to ask questions of current students. The Madison High School administration will be meeting with all students to discuss general school rules and procedures to ensure that all students are set up for success on the first day of school. School counselors will be available in the event there are any issues with schedules. In addition, we will have student Chromebooks, along with usernames and passwords, available for any student that does not have a Madison issued device. We anticipate the day being over by 12:00 pm. Please [click this link](#) for a letter distributed to families on August 14th regarding the event.

Fall Meet the Coaches Night

Mr. Scheifler and the Madison High School Athletic Department will host a Fall Meet the Coaches Night on **Tuesday, August 29th at 6:30 pm** in the Madison High School Auditorium. Parents of fall athletes will have an opportunity to meet their child's coach and hear about the upcoming season. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

Back to School Night

Madison High School Back to School Night will be held on **Wednesday, September 27th**. We invite you to join us in the auditorium at **6:30 pm** for a brief introduction and presentation with information relevant to the school year before moving on to your child's first period class at **7:05 pm**.

Madison Education Foundation (MEF)

The Madison Education Foundation (MEF) has been funding teacher-initiated grants in Madison Public Schools for 20 years! By the numbers, this translates to more than 600 grants awarded and more than \$2 million funded. Help them mark this milestone anniversary by celebrating and fundraising at "A Roaring 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Madison Education Foundation on **Friday, September 8th**. This milestone adult-only gala---featuring a silent auction, wine pull, 50/50 raffle, bourbon tasting, live entertainment, and more---will be a swanky soirée to mark two decades of grant-making in Madison Public Schools. With your continued support, we can anticipate many more years of helping our teachers, students, and schools thrive. Learn more about the MEF Gala [HERE](#), and buy your Gala tickets [HERE](#).

How to Stay in Touch with What's Happening at MHS

Get push notifications sent directly to your phone when important information is released by searching "Madison Public Schools, NJ" on your personal device and downloading our app. Be sure to check off Madison High School in your settings to receive notifications.

Follow Us on Social Media - Parents and students are highly encouraged to follow Madison High School on Twitter ([@DodgerAthletics](#)), Facebook ([Madison High School, New Jersey](#)) and Instagram ([@madisonhighschool07940](#)) to keep up to date with the most recent events and information pertaining to MHS!

In closing, we eagerly look forward to opening day and having the opportunity to work with all of you to make the 2023-2024 school year a productive and educationally rewarding experience for our students. Enjoy the remaining days of summer and go Dodgers!



Summer Packet 2023-2024

Section I - Mandatory Forms on the Genesis Parent Portal (link: [Genesis Parent Portal](#))

The forms below will be available on the Genesis Parent Portal on Friday, August 25th at 3:00 pm. To access the forms, the Primary Guardian will need to log into the parent portal. Upon signing in to the parent portal, you will be prompted to complete or review each of the following forms. The forms will be listed under the forms tab. Please note that all of the forms must be filled out in order to gain access to any additional information, other than contact information, in the Parent Portal. Please also note that the forms will only be available to the Primary Guardian. Once the Primary Guardian fills out the forms the portal will be unlocked for all Guardians and Students. If you encounter difficulty signing into the parent portal please contact the Main Office at (973)-593-3117 or [click this link](#).

1. MPS Certification to Complete Daily Student Screening
2. Demographic Information
3. Computer and Internet Use and Agreement & Parent/Student Permission
4. Computing Device Student Responsibility Contract
5. MHS Day of Service Consent
6. Military Consent to Contact
7. MHS Diploma Name & Graduation Gown (Mandatory for 12th Grade Parents Only)
8. District Media Consent and Release Form
9. NURSE: Annual Medical Information Update Form
10. NURSE: Permission for Medication Administration (If applicable)
11. Health Insurance
12. MHS Honor Pledge
13. Madison Mail & Email Consent to Send Out
14. MobileArq Contact Information Permission Form
15. Study Hall Late Arrival / Early Dismissal Permission Form
16. Vape Detector Notification

Section II - Information Helpful to Students & Parents

Click on the links below to access information that is relevant to you or your child.

1. [MHS Communication Protocol](#)
2. [Madison Public Schools Calendar](#)
3. [MHS Bell Schedule](#)
4. [Alternate Bell Schedules](#)
5. [MHS ABCD Day Schedule](#)
6. [Calendar of Events](#)
7. [Athletic Schedules](#)
8. [ECA Brochure and Offerings](#)
9. [Schedule Template for Students](#)

Section III - School Policy & Operating Procedures

Click on the links below to access information about important policies and operating procedures.

1. [Alternative Physical Education Option - Fall Application & Requirements](#)
2. [Peak Physical Therapy Consent Form](#)
3. [Calculator Letter for Parents](#)
4. [MHS Cell Phone & Technology Use Protocol](#)
5. [MHS Student Handbook](#)
6. [MHS Attendance Policy](#)
7. [MHS Code of Conduct Policy](#)
8. [MHS Honor Code Policy](#)
9. [MHS Dress Code Policy](#)
10. [MHS Visitor and Security Protocols](#)
11. [MHS Drop Off / Pick Up Traffic Regulations](#)
12. [MHS Student Parking Letter & Application](#)
13. [MHS Senior Privilege Rules, Regulations, and Application](#)

Section IV - Additional Parent Resources

Click on the links below to access information and/or forms that are relevant to you or your child.

1. Free and Reduced Lunch Frequently Asked Questions ([English](#) / [Spanish](#))
2. Free and Reduced Lunch Application Instructions ([English](#) / [Spanish](#))
3. Free and Reduced Lunch Application ([English](#) / [Spanish](#))
4. National School Lunch Program Fact Sheet ([English](#) / [Spanish](#))
5. [Instructions to Pre-Order Meals](#)
6. [Food Allergy Practices](#)
7. [Student Immunization Guidance](#)
8. [Parent/Guardian's Guide to Configuring Alerts in the Parent Portal](#)

Section V - Parent Organization & Grade Level Related Information

Click on the links below to access information and/or forms that are relevant to you or your child.

1. [Yearbook Order Form](#)
2. [Student Government Letter](#)
3. [Graduation Lawn Sign & Senior Stars Form for Class of 2024](#)
4. [PTSO Welcome Letter & Membership Form](#)
5. [MEF Website](#)
6. [Madison Special Education Advisory Group \(SEPAG\)](#)
7. [Madison Music & Arts \(MMA\) Membership Form](#)
8. [Marching Dodgers Booster Club Letter](#)
9. [Soccer Booster Club Mum Sale](#)