

Bluejay News

March 2025

2nd Trimester



A Message from Principal Baier

The final trimester of the 2024-25 school year is upon us, and we are reflecting on the hard work and accomplishments of our students while looking ahead to the excitement of the months to come. Along with the change of a season and a new trimester, comes a positive energy shift as students are looking ahead to warmer days and the excitement of graduation.

The past few weeks have been filled with achievements; our cheer team secured fourth place at the state tournament, while our girls' basketball team won regionals, and the girls' wrestling team wrapped up a strong season with three state qualifiers, including Lilliana Banks, who was crowned state champion. Our students also excelled at Solo-Ensemble, with 10 musicians from our band, orchestra, and choir qualifying for the state competition.

The momentum continues this month as the theater department brings *Wizard of Oz* to the stage from March 13-15. Meanwhile, many of our students are gearing up for competitions and events in activities such as Robotics, HOSA, FBLA, and more. The dedication of our staff ensures that students have endless opportunities to learn, grow, and excel far beyond the classroom.

As we move into this final stretch of the year, we want to remind families that trimester two report grades are now available in Infinite Campus. Report cards will also be mailed out in the coming days. Use this time to check in with your student about their progress and reinforce expectations. Every trimester class successfully completed moves them closer to graduation. If you have any questions or need support, please do not hesitate to reach out, we are here to help every step of the way. Go Bluejays!!

In the School

All students in **grade 11** will be taking the ACT test on

Wednesday, March 12.

Test results are official and may be used for college entrance and scholarship opportunities. We have a number of supports in place including classroom curriculum, practice test questions, and a modified exam day schedule. These are important scores for your child's future so please encourage them to take advantage of these opportunities. Information has been shared via email and through Infinite Campus.



On March 20th Menasha High School will be hosting a Career Fair featuring 40+ area companies in a variety of career pathways. Whether students are looking for a part-time job, seeking full-time employment after graduation, military, or are in the early stages of career exploration, this event will offer something for all grade levels

PreACT®

All students in grades 09 and 10 will be taking the PreACT test on

Thursday, April 3.



Seniors it's scholarship season! Be sure to check out the MHS Scholarship Bulletin for opportunities.

In the Classroom

Social Studies

Here is what is happening on the 3rd floor at MHS

- Our AP Human Geography and AP US History students are wrapping up their courses and are ready to begin studying for the upcoming Advanced Placement exam.
- World Culture and US History students are learning about World War II and the horrors of the Holocaust. They are also beginning their final projects for the trimester.
- Mr. Russom continues to inspire his AP Government students to analyze the events of today through the lens of history.
- Our Poli-Econ students are learning about the power of interest groups and spend class time engaging in dialogue about the fairness and necessity of taxation.
- Finally, in our Psychology classroom, Mr. Eastman's students are studying how the mind works in relation to everyday activities.



Mr. Russom and students learning about current events.



Two thumbs up for history!!



Literacy News at MHS

Literacy Connections >>>

To succeed in learning reading, writing, speaking, and listening, students should develop the following learning habits:

- **Engage actively** with texts by staying on task and making meaningful annotations.
- **Use available resources** when stuck, seeking help from peers and teachers as needed.
- **Participate** in class discussions, small groups, and partner check-ins.
- **Stay focused** as a writer during class, following the teacher's guidance on different sections to work on.
- **Take risks and try**—growth comes from effort, and you won't know how to improve unless you give it a shot.



Math News at MHS

Math Connections >>>

To be successful in learning math, students need to develop the following learning habits:

- **Actively contributing** to work and discussions with their class or study team.
- **Completing (or at least attempting)** all assigned problems and turning in assignments in a timely manner.
- **Asking for help** when needed.
- **Taking notes** and using their Toolkit when recommended by the teacher or the text.
- **Keeping a well-organized notebook.**



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Open Enrollment:

If for any reason your family is moving out of the Menasha Joint School District and you want your child to remain in our school, please complete the open enrollment application process. The application period for the 2025-26 school year is from February 3 - April 30, 2025.