

# Class of 2013



## Senior Activities Handbook

### Important Dates:

Sept 18	College and Career Night
Sept 24	Homecoming Week
Oct 1	CSU Application Available
Oct 2-5	JC Admission Applications
Oct 13	Sadie's Hawkins at Blackbeards (Theme: TBA)
Oct 22	Cap & Gown Distribution in all Civics/Econ Classes
Nov 1	UC Applications Available
Nov 2	Fall Sports Rally & Stadium Showdown MHS vs. MSHS Football
Nov 6	Cap & Gown Orders Collected
Nov 7	Graduate Services in Cafeteria @ lunch for late orders
Nov 9 & 12	No School, Veterans Day, Board Declared Holiday
Nov 13-16	Scholarship Packets Distributed
Nov 19-23	Thanksgiving, No School
Dec 19-21	Semester Finals
Dec 24-Jan 11	Winter Recess
Jan 21	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, No School
Jan 23	Financial Aid Night
Jan 25	Local Scholarship Applications Due
Feb 1	Winter Sports Rally
Feb 5-8	JC Placement Assessment
Feb 11, 18	President's Day, No School
Feb 23	Winter Formal
Feb 26	PTA 4.0 Academic Letter Night
Mar 8	Spring Sports Rally
Mar 25-Apr 1	Spring Recess
April 15	CSF Life Member
April 20	Prom
April 23	Senior Scholarship Night
May 2	Powder Puff Game
May 6-17	AP Testing
May 17	Spring Fling Carnival
May 24, 27	Board Declared Holiday, Memorial Day
May 30	Grad Nite @ Magic Mountain
June 4-6	Semester Finals for 9 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup>
June 5	Graduation, Class of 2013 at 7:30pm

# General Information

## Senior Information

### SENIOR YEARBOOK PICTURES

All senior pictures need to be given to the yearbook advisor Brett Mattos in Room 404 by early October on a picture CD. You can take your own picture or have it done by a professional. Many of the companies will provide a CD for the yearbook advisor with all of the senior portraits on it.

Anyone wishing to be in the yearbook and not wanting to go to a studio, please see Mr. Mattos in room 404 to schedule a day where he can take your picture.

#### Guidelines for pictures:

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| a) At least 8 mega pixels               | d) Photos need to be on a CD. No emails or flash drives |
| b) Must be within the school dress code | c) Photos should be saved as JPEG file                  |

Any questions call Brett Mattos (559) 675-4450 ext. 1404.

The below companies are sponsors for yearbook. We encourage you to schedule a session with them, contact Todd McElrath in room 211 or choose another photographer of your preference.

- 1) Foto Amezcu (559) 363-3686
- 2) Gomes Images (559) 706-2570

### SENIOR T-SHIRTS/SWEATSHIRTS

The Class of 2013 has Senior T-Shirts (available now) & Sweatshirts that will be available later in the Fall in the Senior Advisor's rooms Mr. Christiansen room 211 and Mrs. Garibay Portable 14.

### SENIOR CLASS RINGS

Class rings packets will be given out on Monday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> in all Civics/Econ classes. If you do not have Civics/Econ you can pick one up in the MSHS Activities Office in Portable 3. Students who purchase a class ring receive a **FREE Cap and Gown**. Information contact Graduate Services 431-2541, 344 W. Bedford #104, Fresno, 93711.

### SENIOR BACCALAUREATE

Baccalaureate, coordinated by Madera Youth Network and Youth for Christ, is a religious service connected with Graduation. This is a voluntary non-denominational service that all seniors and their families may attend.

### SENIOR GRADUATION SPEECH CONTEST

Any graduating senior who has attended MSHS during his/her entire Junior & Senior year may try out to be a speaker for Graduation. Sign up with any senior class advisor (Christiansen and Garibay) and contest will be after school in early May. Two to three speakers will be chosen.

### 2013 SOBER GRAD PARTY

MSHS will have a post graduation event for all graduates. Details of event will be given at a later date. June 1<sup>st</sup> the community of Madera, the California Highway Patrol and the Class of 2013 have planned a fun, safe, and **FREE** all night party! Raffle prizes will be given away throughout the night. The party location is to be announced and is on June 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:30pm to 5:00am. Graduates must have their ID for entrance. Guests may attend for a fee of \$20.

## Scholarships

There are a large number of local scholarships available to MSHS graduates. Each year the Madera Community has sponsored thousands of dollars given to seniors planning to continue their education. Local scholarship information will be made available in the fall & applications are due on Jan 25th. The Career Center located upstairs in Academic A has more information about the scholarship timeline.

## Steps to Graduation

### **CAPS and GOWNS**

All seniors will order their cap & gowns on November 6<sup>th</sup> in their Senior Civics/Economic Classes. Packets will also be available in the main office. If you are borrowing a cap and gown, you still must order a tassel. Call Graduate Services Ltd., 431-2541, 344 W. Bedford #104, Fresno, CA 93711. Cap & gowns will be distributed during Senior Activities on Wed, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS**

All financial obligations must be cleared before tickets to Sadie Hawkins, Winter Formal, Prom, Grad Nite or graduation will be issued. Check your fines now! Students may pay financial obligations any time in the bookkeeper's office next to the media center.

### **CLEARANCE CARDS**

You will receive your clearance card the week of finals in 1<sup>st</sup> period. You must have it SIGNED by all of your teachers, the bookkeeper, (next to the media center) before you will take it to the Exit Activity on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **SENIOR GRADUATION EXIT ACTIVITY**

Seniors must bring their signed clearance card to the Cafeteria for clearance. The date and time will be announced. All financial obligations must be cleared BEFORE the counselors will sign off. All seniors must be present for this event in order to participate in the graduation ceremony.

### **MIGRANT EDUCATION SENIORS**

You may be eligible for a free physical, dental and vision exam before you graduate. Please contact the Migrant Education Office for more information, 675-4500.

### **ESTUDIANTES DEL PROGRAMAMIGRANTE:**

Tu podrías calificar para un examen físico, dental y de la vista gratis antes de graduarte. Para mas información llamen en la oficina demigrante, 675-4500.

## Graduation Ceremony- June 5, 7:30pm

The Graduation ceremony has been designed by your classmates to be a dignified ceremony. Your dress and actions must be appropriate to the occasion. Anyone using poor judgment will be removed from the ceremony.

### **TICKETS**

Each senior who will be marching will receive 12 tickets (tentative) for Graduation. Admission for Graduation is by ticket only. Tickets will be distributed to the students at graduation practice held on June 5 at 8:00am. If you need extra tickets, you may go to Madera South High AFTER Graduation practice and any remaining tickets will be distributed.

### **PICTURES**

The graduating class will be photographed as they receive their diplomas by Van's professional photographers. The photos will be available for viewing at Van's Studio (600 North "D") 24 hours a day. Copies may be purchased directly from the studio during business hours. For more information, please visit [www.vansphotography.com](http://www.vansphotography.com). Parents and friends of the graduates may take pictures **from the stands**.

## Senior Status

Remember you must have 170 credits to be issued a Senior ID that will allow you to go off campus for lunch and be part of the Senior Photo. The Photo date has not been scheduled, but will occur on an Early Out in the winter. Seniors who are behind credits will be issued a Junior ID card and will not be allowed to go off campus for lunch. After Fall Semester, all seniors who are on track to graduate will have their name on the senior shirt. More detailed information will be announced.

# Grad Nite 411

**WHERE:** Magic Mountain, Valencia, California

**WHEN:** May 30, 2013

**WHO:** Seniors of Madera South High School who are on track to graduate and have cleared all financial obligations.

**TIME:** Report to the East Gym at break to check in all items that students are taking on the bus. Check in at the East Gym will be 2:15pm on May 30th. Return between 9:00am and 11:00am on May 31st at the Academic B Student Parking Lot on Stadium Road.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Charter Buses

**TICKETS:** \$150 Includes: Round trip bus fare, A return ticket to Hurricane Harbor, a 6"x8" Kodak photo voucher, entrance to exclusive dinner and dance pre-party from 9:30-11:30, all you can eat buffet, private dance club and DJ, early entrance to X2, Viper, Revolution, Tatsu, unlimited use of attractions, dancing, and live concert and entertainment.

**Sales:** April 8- May 3 or until sold out. Approximately 230 seats are available on 5 charter busses  
To buy a ticket, each senior must come in person and bring:

- (1) Emergency Procedure Card signed by parent/guardian and Rules Regulation Sheet
- (2) Cash/money order for \$150 (no checks)
- (3) MSHS Senior ID card

**BUS ASSIGNMENTS:** Bus assignments are made at the time of ticket sale. If you want to be on the same bus with your friends, buy tickets at the same time. Bus seats are reserved on a first come first served basis.

**MEDICATION:** If a student needs to bring medication, inform MSHS Activities Office, Portable 3 at least one week prior to event. Students are not allowed to carry medication while in the park.

**DRESS:** Anyone not dressed in accordance with Madera South High dress code and Magic Mountain's guidelines will not be allowed to board the bus, or enter Magic Mountain. (see dress code)

**BEHAVIOR:** Good manners and consideration for others are asked of the graduates to ensure everyone's fun. No alcoholic beverage/drugs/tobacco will be tolerated. All students will be checked when boarding buses and again at Magic Mountain. If anyone becomes a serious behavior problem, parents will be called and asked to pick-up the student. Magic Mountain sets all the rules of behavior, dress and transportation. No ice chests will be allowed.

**NOTE:** Student must attend periods 1-4 on the day we depart for Grad-Nite.

**REFUNDS:** DUE TO THE LIMITED NUMBER OF SPACES AVAILABLE, REFUNDS WILL ONLY BE GIVEN TO STUDENTS WHO HAVE CONFLICTING SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR MAY 30 OR 31. REFUNDS WILL NOT BE GIVEN FOR ANY OTHER REASON.



# **Senior Year Expenses**

<b>What</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Details</b>
Yearbook	\$70-\$80	Additional pages, name plat, extra pages
A.S.B. Sticker	\$30	Saves lots of \$ on all home games, \$10 off prom & \$10 off Sadie's, Back to School Dance- FREE
Back to School Dance	\$5	Or free w/A.S.B.
9 sporting home games	\$35-\$40 with/without ID	Or free w/A.S.B.
Sadie Hawkins Dance tickets	\$25 each	\$10 off w/A.S.B.
Sadie's outfits and pictures	\$30-\$50	
Senior Photos & outfits for pics	\$50-\$300	Save \$ and get a CD and print the pics at Costco, Wal-mart
Winter Formal	\$20 each	
Winter Formal wear, pictures, dinner	\$150	
Grad Nite	\$150	Each year it changes
Grad Nite souvenirs	\$30-\$50	
Prom	\$40-\$45 each	
Prom wear, pictures, dinner, flowers	\$200	
Cap, Gown, Tassel	\$30	
Graduation Announcements	\$30-\$50	
Senior T-shirt & Senior Sweatshirt	\$40-\$50	
Powder Puff, Spring Fling, Pageant Tickets	\$13	Or free w/A.S.B.
Senior Panoramic Photo	\$10-15	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$958-\$1,303</b>	

