

# **Monthly Newsletter**

## **Madera High School**



#### September 2019

We are excited about the 2019-2020 school year and look forward to a very successful year! The staff at Madera High School is committed to providing an exemplary education to our students in a secure, positive, and challenging environment. It is our goal that students will leave Madera High School with the tools necessary to be successful in all of their future endeavors.

High school is an exciting and pivotal time. It will be an extremely rewarding and unforgettable experience that will last a lifetime. We challenge students to take advantage of all the wonderful opportunities available on our campus. We encourage students to work hard, pursue excellence, and get involved.

Our vision for Madera High is to set high standards for perseverance, respect, integrity, and dedication, with a commitment to excellence.

We are Coyote PRIDE!

**Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment** 

The teachers of Madera High School are making use of the new school schedule to focus on what we can do as professional learning communities to provide intervention and enrichment for all students. We believe that all students can learn at high levels and our teachers are working diligently to create engaging learning environments.

In September the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes will take the fall NWEA's MAP Growth Assessment in their math and their English classes. These diagnostic assessments show areas of strength and need, as well as growth over time.

Students will set score goals for both math and reading, as well as brainstorm ways to meet their goals. We are excited to see how much student achievement grows this year!

NWEA MAP Growth Assessment for Math - September 9 - 11, 2019. NWEA MAP Growth Assessment for Reading - September 16 - 18, 2019.



## **Coyote Pride**

#### MHS Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS) Mission:

Create and maintain an effective learning environment and healthy school culture which enhances student learning through teaching, encouraging, and celebrating positive behavior.

#### **Our PBIS Team consists of several important stakeholders:**

Robyn Cosgrove (Principal), Kinzie Fink (Vice Principal and PBIS Coordinator), Manuel Aquino (Vice Principal), Isaac Lopez (Activities Director), Will Sally (Teacher/Link Crew Advisor), Duncan Needham (Teacher/Theater), Michael Ledesma (Counselor), Lupe Velasquez (School Psychologist), Jander Duque (Family Liaison), and Irma Rios (Student Advocate)





Congratulations to Madera High, who on behalf of the California PBIS Coalition, has been recognized in 2019 for successful PBIS implementation at the **GOLD** level.

MHS is a recipient within the California PBIS Coalition's System of Recognition, reflecting excellence in the measurement of fidelity as well as their efforts in implementing the core features of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports.

To acknowledge this honor, Madera High School's name will be displayed on the California PBIS Coalition webpage and posted at the 4th Annual California PBIS Conference in Sacramento on October 28 - 29, 2019.



## **September Events**

#### **September 3**

MUSD/NAACP "Back-to-School" Rally @MSHS (All 6th & 8th Grade feeders)

## **September 4-8**

**Madera District Fair** 

#### September 10-11

Senior Portrait Make-Ups (by appt.)

#### September 13

Food Frenzy @lunch / FB vs. Merced "The Governor's Hat" game

#### September 14

ACT @8am / Sadie Hawkins dance @ 7: 30 pm

#### September 16-20

**MAP Testing in ELA & Math classes** 

#### September 18-19

**Mock Interviews** 

#### September 25

**Senior Class picture** 

### September 30

Homecoming Week kick-off! / School Site Council Mtg. @4pm

\*STAY UP-TO-DATE w/all our events info online or via social media @mhs\_coyoteupdate

#### **Nurse News**

**All** medication carried by students must have a doctor's order on file in the health office.

Our goal is to assist you in keeping your child healthy so they can remain in school. Please keep the health office informed of any changes in your child's medical conditions

## **School Psychologists**

School Psychologists partner with families, teachers, school administrators, and other professionals to create a safe, healthy, and supportive learning environments that strengthen connections between home, school, and the community.

We encourage you to be aware of stressors that your students may be experiencing as they enter a new school year. Academic and social stressors, school demands and frustrations, problems with friends and their peers. Some helpful strategies for your child may include; talking with your child, encouraging exercise, healthy meals, encourage them to focus on what they can control, and lastly schedule breaks and enjoyable activities as a family.



## **Coyote Athletics**

The Madera High Athletic Department is on the attack with this year's 2019/2020 Coyote Fall Athletic Teams. Coyotes continue to field multiple teams at every level of each athletic program. Football, Women's Volleyball, Cross Country, Men's & Women's Water Polo, Women's Tennis and Golf are been very active as they prepare for the upcoming season.

Our Women's Golf Team, under the leadership of Head Coach Scott McKinney, welcome a new assistant to his staff. Andy Underwood, MHS Head Baseball Coach, has joined Coach McKinney this year!! Coach Underwood, who is an avid and low handicap golfer himself, is excited to be a part of the golf program and will bring an added dimension to the talented women's program.

Speaking of NEW, the Coyotes have a new leader of our Coyote Football Program! New Head Coach Kenny Paolinelli, who is an MHS graduate from the Class of 2007 and was a successful (3) sport athlete and went on to play at UTEP, takes the reins of the entire football program. Coach Paolinelli brings a diverse array of knowledge, who is also self-driven and passionate to ensure student/athlete strive for success on and off the field of play!! The Coyotes will host the first two games of the season facing Washington Union High school and Mission Oak High School from Tulare, before heading south on Hwy 145 into Kerman. Please stay tuned for upcoming results!!

The Coyote Lady's Water polo season got off to a quick start with a fierce battle with the Clovis North Broncos. Head Coach Erik Baymiller is excited to have an extremely talented, returning veteran team. The team demonstrated they are a force in the Central Section with an opening and thrilling Triple overtime sudden death (17-16) victory over Clovis North. All indicators point to a potentially long run in the CIF Central Section playoffs but the team's mentality is to focus on one game at a time.

Stay up to date with all your Coyote Athletics program by visiting the MHS Athletic website for all updated Fall Season schedules. Go COYOTES!!



#### **Counselors' Corner**

#### **SENIOR Lifesaving information:**

**September 3:** UC Santa Barbara 8-10am - info & application workshop in

Library

**September 3-5:** Community College (SCCCD) presentations in Civics/Econ

Classes

**September 5:** ACT/SAT registration 7:30 am in Library

September 11: Fresno Area College Night

**September 13:** Menlo College Presentation 8:00 am in Library

**California Colleges/College Next in Civics/Econ classes** 

September 14: ACT testing

**September 15:** NROTC \$180,000 Scholarship deadline-more info in Career

Center

September 17: Exploring Colleges-Duke, Harvard, Georgetown, Penn &

Stanford 7-9pm @ Doubletree Hilton Hotel-Fresno Sign-up

on Google classroom

September 18: Discovery U-University of Chicago, Columbia, Yale,

Michigan, and Texas @ Austin-College information 7-9pm @Fresno High School. Signup through Google classroom

September 24: ACT Scores available for 9/14 test date online

September 26: ASVAB

September 27: Registration Deadline for ACT 10/26/19 test date Community

College (SCCCD) ep @ MHS on Wednesdays Military Rep @ MHS on Thursdays UC Rep to be available starting in October CSU Rep--TBD