

Madera High School

200 South L Street
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Stop!t App

Madera High has just implemented a new app that will support the climate and culture at Madera High School. The 'Stop!t App' allows students to provide anonymous reporting. Students can report criminal activity, cyber bullying or any type of inappropriate behavior that occurs on or off campus. In our first day of implementation Madera High had two significant reports that were brought to our attention and handled appropriately and efficiently, thus supporting the safety of our students. If you would like more information please view the following link [Stop!t](#).

Student Highlight



Gustavo Reyes' personality and funny sense of humor is not the only reason he stands out. I enjoy his happy spirit every time he walks into my office. He is constantly striving to reach above and beyond and always works hard to reach his goals. He is set on becoming an Engineer some day. He is a Junior currently holding a 4.33 GPA, taking AP, Honors, Dual Enrollment classes as well as an Engineering course. He is still deciding whether he'd like to become a Chemical or Computer Engineer

and has his heart set on Fresno State or UCLA.

~ Ms. Gil

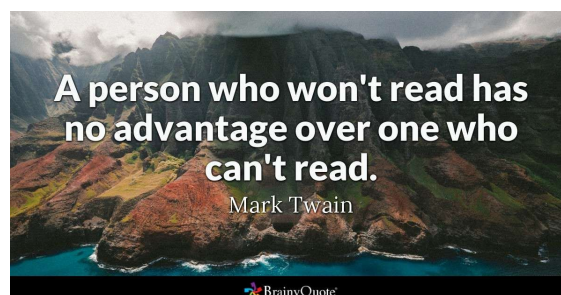
School Climate & Culture

Every day students are recognized for demonstrating positive behaviors by staff.

PRIDE = **P**erseverance, **R**espect, **I**ntegrity, **D**edication, and **E**xcellence.

Congratulations to the following students and teachers for their commitment to COYOTE PRIDE!

<u>Friday, September 27</u>	<u>Friday, October 4 & 11</u>	<u>Friday, October 18</u>
<u>Excellence</u> Andrew Rosas nominated by Martinez (SA) Diana Dominguez nominated by Dunn Vianna Romero nominated by Mejia/Brown	<u>Perseverance</u> Stephanie Guido nominated by Hagopian Aquetzal Florez nominated by Martinez	<u>Perseverance</u> Eric Vizcarra nominated by Brass
<u>Integrity/Respect</u> JR Garcia nominated by Gina Cardenas	<u>Respect</u> Tayten Saucedo nominated by DeFranco	<u>Integrity</u> Ashlyn Ortega nominated by Syria Andrea Garcia nominated by Quintana Keoni Garcia nominated by Dunn
<u>Dedication</u> Alessandro Bermea nominated by Pierce Cummings	<u>Integrity</u> Jaylynn Mendez nominated by Calderon	<u>Excellence</u> Karissa Rodriguez nominated by Vukovich
<u>Staff Winner</u> Gina Cardenas	<u>Dedication</u> Alexus Rios nominated by S Brown Alejandro Pinedo nominated by Mujica Ricardo Ambriz Toledo nominated by Prince Juan Valdivia nominated Siewert Eric MCNeal nominated by Siewert	<u>Teacher/Staff Winners</u> Gina Cardenas Tami Prince Taylor Brass
	<u>Excellence</u> Renee Jimenez nominated by Hagopian	



ATTENDANCE - Be Here on Time!

Hey all, It is important to be at school every day on time. Attendance is recorded daily and absences are reported home via phone call. It's the LAW!! :)

- **Parents-** If you receive an automated phone call that announces that your child is absent, please make a phone call to MHS Attendance (559-575-4444) to clear the absence or verify absences.
- **Students-** It is important for you to be on time to each of your classes every day! Please be sure to inspect your weekly attendance report that you sign. If you see any questionable marks on this document, please report it to your teacher before signing.
 - The regular school day begins at 7:50am Monday, Tuesday, Friday and 8:40am on Wednesday and Thursday, and ends at 3:05pm every day.

Nurse News



Students need to SEE in order to learn!

Parents please remind your students about the importance of bringing their glasses to school and wearing them everyday. Check with your students to make sure they know where their glasses are and are wearing them. Annual vision screenings are done in 11th grade; it is coming up November 5th. Please remind your students to bring their glasses to the hearing and vision screening. Contact the school nurse if you have problems obtaining glasses and we will try to assist you to the best of our ability.



School Psychologists

Think positive!

Modeling positive attitudes and positive emotions is very important. Children need to hear parents thinking out loud positively and being determined to persist until a goal is achieved. Using a “can do” problem-solving approach to problems teaches children a sense of power and promise.



Express love and gratitude!

Emotions such as love and gratitude increase resiliency. Praise should always occur much more often than criticism. Children and adolescents who are cared for, loved, and supported learn to express positive emotions to others. Positive emotions buffer kids against depression and other negative reactions to adversity.

FIVE SPECIAL MINUTES A DAY

Building positive connections with our children can take as little as five minutes. Even setting aside five minutes every day, for mom or dad to do something chosen by a child can help that child manage stress at other points in the day. It's a time for positive connection, without parental commands, just attending to your child and letting her be in charge.

It can help a child who's having a tough time in school, for instance, to know she can look forward to that special time. "This five minutes of parental attention should not be contingent on good behavior," says Dr. Samar. "It's a time, no matter what happened that day, to reinforce that 'I love you no matter what.' "



CINCO MINUTOS ESPECIALES AL DIA

Crear conexiones positivas con nuestros niños puede tomar apenas cinco minutos.

Pudiendo apartar aunque sean cinco minutos cada día, para que mamá y papá hagan algo escogido por un niño; puede ayudar a que ese niño maneje el estrés en otros puntos del día. Es un tiempo para una conexión positiva, sin las ordenes de los padres, solo poner atención a su hijo/a y dejarlo/a que esté a cargo.

Esto puede ayudar a un niño que está teniendo tiempos difíciles en la escuela, por ejemplo, saber que él/ella puede esperar por ese tiempo especial. "Estos cinco minutos de atención de los padres no debe estar basado en el buen comportamiento," dice el Dr. Samar. Es un tiempo, sin importar lo que pasó ese día, para reforzar que "Te quiero a pesar de todo."



Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment

● Grading window #3 opens Thursday, November 7 and will close on Tuesday, November 11. If your student has any missing tests or assignments, or tests that need to be retaken, remind them to do so well **before** these dates.

Teachers need time to grade before uploading progress reports.

- Call the MHS Office if you have questions about how to check your student's grades.
- Community Scholarship Booklets are available to Seniors 11/18/19.
- After Thanksgiving break, there are only **2.5 weeks before finals!**
- PSAT/NMSQT scores will be available to students who took the test in October on December 10.
- **Fall Semester Finals:** December 18 - 20. Students released at 12:30 pm.





November Events

- 11/01- Fall Rally "Dia de los Coyotes" / Stadium Road Showdown football game @ 7:30pm
- 11/02- SAT @ 8am (MHS test site) / Migrant Youth Leadership Conference @8am (MCCC Campus)
- 11/03- Daylight Saving Time Ends - set clocks *back one hour*
- 11/04- School Site Council Meeting @4pm in library
- 11/06- Link Crew student leadership Conference / "The Hamilton Project" (US Hist PLC) / PBIS Leadership Team Mtg
- 11/07- Grading Window opens / "Thursday School" begins @3:15pm in 800 building
- 11/08- Food Frenzy @lunch
- 11/11- Veterans' Day - **No School**
- 11/12- PTA Meeting @6pm in library
- 11/13-11/15 Community College "Web Advisory" workshops in library (all day)
- 11/18- Local Scholarship booklet available to Seniors
- 11/18-11/19 "Safe School Ambassadors" expansion training (all day)
- 11/25-11/29 Thanksgiving Break - **No School**

Counseling News-

CSU/UC Applications are open from *October 1st-November 30th*.

FAFSA/CA Dream Act is now open and available. If you are planning to attend college, you should plan to apply for Financial Aid. It is required if you are planning to attend Community College and wanting to take advantage of the California College Promise Grant. Seniors if you need help with any of the information above go to the Career Center on delayed start mornings for help.

Saturday, November 2, 2019 8am-4pm
Migrant Youth Leadership Conference @
Madera Community College Center

Monday, November 4, 2019
UC/CSU/Financial Aid help in Library all day.

Thursday, November 7, 2019 @ lunch
Honoring Veterans and Military

ACT Test Registration deadline November 8, 2019 for December 14, 2019 test.

SAT Test registration deadline November 8, 2019 for December 7, 2019 test.

Community College WebAdvisor/Email Workshop will be held Wednesday-Friday, November 13,14 &15 in the library through Civic/Economics classes.

Wednesday, November 20, 2019
UC/CSU/Financial Aid help in Library all day

Thursday, November 21, 2019 - Local Scholarship Application Booklet distributed in Civic/Economics classes.

Friday, November 22, 2019 -Target date for all CSU/UC applications submitted. Final deadline Saturday, November 30, 2019.

Coyote Athletics

What an October the Coyotes have had!! Our fall regular season is about to conclude and many programs will be moving on and into the **CIF playoffs**. Women's Volleyball, Water polo, Cross Country, Coyote Football and Women's Golf have all qualified to participate in postseason play with the hopes of capturing a CIF Section Championship!! Good Luck to all of our Fall athletic programs!!



Congratulations to Head Women's Volleyball Coach Meghan Haas and our lady coyote volleyball players on capturing their 3rd consecutive CMAC League Championship!!! Coach Haas, her staff and the Notorious 9 (Mariyah Alvarez, Jade Davie, Lauren Dybas, Kaci Gonzalez, Brianna Guerrero, Sofia Perez, Miabella Rios, Isabella Saucedo and Alizae Vasquez) have all worked extremely hard this past off-season with the vision of a repeat performance. Hard work has its own rewards and lo and behold they are now "Back-2-Back-2-Back" CMAC Champions!!

Homecoming was another athletic highlight for the month of October. Though the evening did not end up the way we had envisioned, *our fan base of students, staff, alumni and the Blue Wave* demonstrated their continued support for the *Coyotes of then, now and forever!!* **Once a Coyote... always a Coyote!!**

The **Lady Coyote Cross Country team** also flexed their speed and endurance with spectacular performances at various invitationals. Because of their repeated high level performances, our ladies also ascended up the ranking of the Central Section and have given themselves a distinct opportunity to capture section gold come November. The Coyote Cross Country Program, lead by Head Coach Russ Stanford, also hosted their annual Madera Invitational at a new and promising venue. With the assistance and support of Madera Mayor Mr. Andy Medellin and Sierra Golf Management, the Madera Invitational was moved to Madera Municipal Golf Course. Teams from throughout the local San Joaquin Valley converged on the golf course to compete on a unique course that tested their overall endurance and skill. This new and challenging venue will provide added excitement every year and will develop into an event that will draw highly ranked teams from throughout the section and state.

October was also the month to celebrate our Seniors!! From student-athletic trainers, cheerleaders, band and colorguard members and football players, MHS honored and *recognized 92 seniors on Senior Night*. This night also marked an event that will forever be etched into our school's history. Prior to the Varsity game kick-off, Senior sideline specialist Kody Cushman, a student with special needs who was also named Madera High School's Homecoming King, was given a chance to run for a touchdown on the first unofficial play of the game. Playing



football has been a passion of Kody's and Head Coach Kenny Paolinelli and the staff of Bullard made his passion become a reality!!

Speaking about dreams, the Madera High Athletic Department *partnered up* with **Cedar Creek Senior Living** to support their **"Livin' the Dream"** promotion. *Madera High Alumnus from the Class of 1946, Mr. John J. O'Meara, who also played football and ran track in his MHS high school years* had the dream to partake the football field one more time with his favorite Coyotes. Working together, Mr. O'Meara was **"Livin' the Dream"** as he was introduced as an **Honorary Game Capitan and conducted the official pregame coin toss.**



Please stay tuned for next month's edition of Coyote Athletics to catch up on the results of CIF playoff games and the introduction of this season's Coyote Winter Athletic programs!!