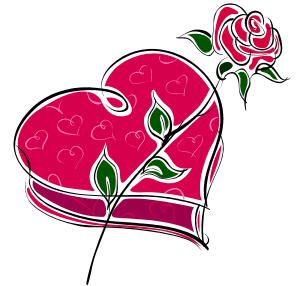




"COUNSELORS' NEWSLETTER"

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GRADUATION DAY IS May 28, 2010

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DATES TO REMEMBER

2/15-2/19	Presidents' Birthdays Break
2/24	School Site Council Meeting @ 5:00
3/3	MJC Presentation 6 th period
3/8	Athletic Booster Mtg 7 pm Career Ctr
3/9	Board Meeting @ 7:00 D.O.
3/12	End of 3 rd Qtr reporting period
3/23	3 rd Quarter Report Card ready
3/16-3/17	CA High School Exit Exam
3/17	School Site Council Meeting @ 5:00
3/19	Minimum Day
3/23	Delta Presentation Library (6 th per)
3/26	Multi-Cultural Assembly
3/29-4/5	Spring Recess
4/9	Minimum Day
4/12	Athletic Booster Mtg 7 pm Career Ctr
4/13	ASVAB Room 95 or Small Gym
4/13	ELAC Meeting 6:30 Library
4/13-4/14	Every Fifteen Minutes Assemblies
4/23	4 th Qtr Progress Report ready
4/19-4/30	STAR Testing
4/20	Board Meeting @ 7:00 D.O.
5/5	Block M Game (Time TBA)
5/6	ASVAB Review Test Scores
5/11	Board Meeting @ 7:00 D.O.
5/11	ELAC Meeting 6:30 Library
5/14	Walk-Out Rally
5/15	Prom @ Brookside County Club 6:30-11:30
5/18	Senior Awards Night @ 7 pm Theater
5/19	School Site Council Meeting @ 5:00
5/20-5/21	Senior Trip: Disneyland
5/24	Memorial Day Holiday
5/25	Baccalaureate
5/25-5/27	Finals
5/28	Last Day of School – Minimum Day
5/28	Graduation

DELTA TIME LINE FOR SENIORS

Seniors who plan on attending San Joaquin Delta College need to follow a sequence of procedures in order to be enrolled and have their classes when the semester begins.

1. Apply online in April for admission www.deltacollege.edu
2. Register on-line for Delta Placement test.
3. Sign up for the on-line Guidance class. Students need to complete the guidance II class if they wish to make an appointment with a Delta counselor.
4. After the student has completed the admission process and placement test, a registration date will be assigned for students to select their classes.

Registration begins for Summer Semester mid April and for Fall Semester early May. If you have questions regarding the Delta timelines, please call the Manteca High School Counselors.

AVOID SCHOLARSHIP SCAMS

Many MHS families are receiving invitations to attend scholarship workshops. These invitations are usually postcards from companies out-of-state. The meetings are held at area hotels on Saturday mornings. PLEASE be aware that if you attend and if you sign a contract at the meeting, you will be legally obligated to pay the fee even if you do not receive any scholarships. Scam warning signs:

- Don't pay money to get money
- If it's too good to be true, it probably is
- No one can guarantee you will win
- Don't pay an application fee

SOBER GRAD

The Sober Grad Committee has been working hard to raise money to provide a Safe and Sober Celebration for our graduating seniors. As soon as we get more information, it will be posted. If you know someone who would like to make a donation to our cause, it would be greatly appreciated! Any questions, please call Jill Saberniak @ 858-7340.

Caps and gowns and graduation orders have been taken. For late orders, please contact the Herff Jones representative, Mr. Douglas Haskin, at (916) 454-5751 or (925) 930-0856.

SAN JOAQUIN DELTA AND MODESTO JUNIOR COLLEGE

Manteca High students are very fortunate to be able to choose between two colleges that offer a wide variety of course offerings. Students can earn their Associate of Arts Degree (AA) and transfer to a university as a junior to earn their Bachelors Degree.

Each school also offers 150 programs from which students can earn certificates in a wide variety of careers. These programs are focused on preparing students for employable skills in the prescribed certificate area. These certificates are recognized favorably by businesses and industry and they are often required for job classification and advancement. The time frame to complete a certification program varies from three months to two years.

DISNEYLAND

On Thursday, May 20, 2010 the seniors are going to Disneyland Grad-Nite – it will be a night to remember. Students attending the Disney Grad-Nite will need to attend school with their change of clothes (dress code to come at a later date). The Senior Class will be fundraising to lighten the cost, but the price should be in the ballpark of \$170 give or take. You can start paying full price at the student store on March 15 – April 16 (tickets could sell out prior to deadline). There will **not** be any refunds unless the student is ineligible, an unforeseen emergency occurs or a school event conflicts. See Mrs. Diggs in Room 71 for fundraising opportunities. Seats will be limited!!!

HOBY WINNER

Congratulations to Myklyn Balmut. She is an outstanding sophomore, chosen to represent Manteca High School this summer at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar at UC Davis. Expenses are being paid by the Federated Women's Club.

FINANCIAL AID FOR SENIORS

Seniors planning to continue their education/training after high school have a number of opportunities to receive financial aid. One option is to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid – FAFSA. The federal government uses this form to determine your eligibility for financial aid, which includes grants, scholarships, work-study and loans. **The FAFSA must be submitted from January 1 to March 2 in order to be considered for Pell (federal) and Cal Grants.** The three steps to apply for federal aid:

Step 1: Assemble forms needed to complete the FAFSA. You'll need the following to fill out the form:

- Social security number and driver's license
- Current bank statements
- Current mortgage and investment records
- Alien registration card (check www.fafsa.ed.gov for more information)
- 2009 student and parent federal tax return

Step 2: Complete the FAFSA

- Complete FAFSA on the Web:
- www.fafsa.ed.gov

JUNIORS AND THE SAT/ACT

If you are planning to attend a four year college directly after high school you should register for the SAT or ACT this school year. Colleges accept both tests. It is recommended that juniors take the May or June test.

Applying to a CSU – take the SAT or ACT

Applying to a UC – take the SAT or ACT/writing
Plus 2 SAT subject tests

On-line registrations are available for both tests.

ACT registration is www.actstudent.org

SAT registration is www.collegeboard.com

SELECTING CLASSES FOR NEXT YEAR

Counselors are helping students select classes for next year. They will be making informational presentations to the students in their English classes that include their transcripts, course selection guide, course selection sheet and suggestions for their course selections. Students are directed to take this information home to share with their parents or guardians. Please take the time to discuss the class selections with your student and fill the class selection sheet carefully and completely.

Manteca High recycles empty ink cartridges and old cell phones. Please bring them to the library or to Room 57.

DISTRICT PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT

Under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), Program Improvement (PI) local educational agencies (LEAs) are responsible for implementing certain federal and state requirements during each year that they are in PI. The requirements vary based on the PI year. The release of the most recent Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Report indicated that the District met 42 or 46 of its growth targets, but did not meet all of them. As a result, the Manteca Unified School District has entered Year 3 of Program Improvement, which is called Corrective Action. District and school site staff have identified and analyzed district needs, and the District has begun revising the LEA Plan to address them. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Compensatory Education Office at 858-0797.