



Memorial High School Weekly

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Thursday, November 9th

MHS Calendar



November

- 10 Hmong New Year 5-8 pm North High School
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 10/11 Fall Musical – Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" 7 pm
MHS Auditorium
- 12 Fall Musical – Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" 2 pm
MHS Auditorium
- 13 Veteran's Day Observed
- 13 Financial Aid Night at NHS for MHS and NHS 6 pm
- 15 Kao Kalia Yang – Author Visit
- 16 Fall Jazz Concert MHS Auditorium 7 pm (All Jazz)
- 20-21 **NO SCHOOL** for students. PL Days for Staff
- 22-24 **ALL SCHOOLS CLOSED.** Thanksgiving Break

Important Links

[The Memorial High School Website](#)

has answers to many of your questions. Be sure to check it out.

[Old Abe Athletic Calendar](#)

Find Out Where the Action is Every Week.

The [MHS Athletics Calendar](#) is updated with the most recent game day information.

[ECASD 2023-2024 School Year Calendar](#)

[Community Events & Resources Page](#)

[November Lunch Menu](#)

[Family Services Website](#)



Find us on
Facebook [HERE](#)

Old Abe News and Announcements



The Eau Claire Area School District salutes our Veterans. On November 13th, we will pause to honor those who have served and thank them for all they have done for our country and community. Thank you for your courage, dedication, and service!

The ECASD is looking for individuals who would be interested in joining the Graduation Attire Committee. This committee is responsible for district wide attire. (Memorial, McKinley, North High Graduations). The committee will be addressing issues such as adhering to graduation dress code policies, integrating cultural diversity, equity, and inclusivity practices. Please contact Dave Oldenberg, MHS Principal, doldenberg@ecasd.us.

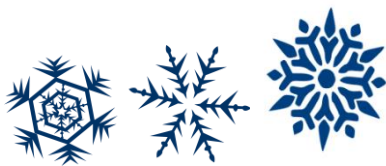
Did you miss Picture Day and Retake Day? Lifetouch has area retakes for pictures on Monday, November 13th from 3-6pm at Holiday Inn 2703 Craig Road. Click [HERE](#) to sign up.

Senior Picture Requirements for the Yearbook and Upload Instructions

Seniors - **the LAST day to enter your senior picture is December 15**. No senior pictures will be accepted after this cut-off. To submit your photo, use the QR code in your English room or go through the Yearbook link on the Memorial homepage. [Jostens Senior Picture Submission link](#)

Your picture must have the following criteria:

- Head and shoulder** portrait (upright) vs. a landscape image (sideways) picture. If the picture you submit is not cropped to head and shoulders, we will crop it for you.
- Minimum* resolution of 300 dpi and size of 2 inches x 3 inches. You may submit an uncropped, full-size version, and we will crop it for you. Please **do not** send pictures from a social media site such as *Instagram* or *Facebook*. These tend to be low resolution images which will print blurry. Please send the original digital version.
- Saved as a .jpeg
- The picture does not depict violence, alcohol, drugs, or anything that would violate school rules such as a weapon.



Winter & Holiday Help

Listed below are organizations and program specific details that offer winter and holiday season assistance. If your family needs assistance in providing cold weather outerwear (coats, snow pants, boots, hats/gloves), please contact your child's school counselor or partnership coordinator. Additionally, if you are able to give back to our great community, please consider a donation to any of the organizations listed below or the ECASD Closet which provides resources to all students and families in need throughout the school year.

Agency	Activity/Program	Date/Time	Contact	Guideline
The Community Table 320 Putnam Street	Thanksgiving Lunch	November 23 rd 11:30-1:00	715-835-4977	Everyone is welcome. Carry-out or dine-in meal. No registration required.
The Community Table 320 Putnam Street	Thanksgiving-In-a-Box <small>*Box will include a turkey + Thanksgiving sides. Food included will be uncooked, so families can prepare in their homes.</small>	Pick-up Tuesday, November 14 th @ The Community Table at scheduled time	Email outreach@thecommunitytable.org to reserve your box or via Facebook.	Boxes will be granted on a first come, first serve basis. Orders must be placed by November 13 th at noon.
Hope Gospel Mission 2650 Mercantile Drive	Thanksgiving Lunch	November 23 rd 11:30-1:00	715-552-5566	Everyone is welcome. Inside sit-down meal offered or drive-through, take-out meal is also an option.
Hope Gospel Mission 2650 Mercantile Drive	Christmas Meal	December 16 th 11:30-1:00	715-552-5566	Everyone is welcome. Inside sit-down meal offered or drive-through, take-out meal is also an option.
The Community Table 320 Putnam Street	Christmas Eve Late Lunch/Early Dinner	December 24 th 3:00-4:00	715-835-4977	Everyone is welcome. Carry-out or dine-in meal. No registration required.
The Community Table 320 Putnam Street	Christmas At The Community Table	December 25 th 9:00-11:00	715-835-4977	Everyone is welcome. Carry-out or dine-in meal. No registration required.
Salvation Army 2211 S. Hastings Way	Toys for Tots <small>(Christmas Toy Assistance Program)</small>	Sign up: Oct. 9-Nov. 22 nd <small>*No late sign-ups will be accepted. *</small> Mon-Thurs, 10:00-12:00 and 1:00-4:00	Amanda 715-834-1224	Application required. Must be picked up at site. Identification for all family members & proof of residency required in application process.
Family Promise of the Chippewa Valley 309 E. Lake Street	Festival of Toys <small>(Christmas Gift Assistance Program)</small>	Sign-up: Oct. 23-Dec. 1 <small>*No late sign-ups will be accepted. *</small> Application Drop-Off/Pick-Up Hours: M-Th 9:00-3:00	Scott 715-834-4357 toys@familypromisecv.org	Application required. Can be picked up at site or completed online at: www.familypromisecv.org/christmas Identification for all family members & proof of residency required in application process.

2023

COME CELEBRATE

Hmong New Year

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10TH, 2023

FROM 5PM-8PM

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30PM

HMONG FOOD
BRING CASH

PERFORMANCES

HMONG PLAY

North High School 1801 Piedmont Rd
Eau Claire WI 54703

Contact Information

Jackson Yang - jyang@ecasd.us - 715-852-6643

Rlia Schwahn - bschwahn@ecasd.us - 715-852-6764

Mai Vee Lee - mleel@ecasd.us - 715-852-3389



Register Attendance Above!

Order your 2024 yearbook today!

Order here: <https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A09283400>



SENIOR SHOUT OUTS!

Submit a shoutout [HERE](#) for your senior along with a senior photo and a baby photo.

DUE BY February 2nd

Shout outs will be created for the Memorial High School Facebook page in March, April, and May.

Volunteer Opportunity – Help Needed!

MHS needs copy room volunteers when school is in session. Preferably 1 morning a week for 2 hours. Substitute Copy Room Volunteers are also needed! Please contact Kim Winkelmann at kwinkelmann@ecasd.us to volunteer.

American Education Week

It is American Education Week! This week, we will take time to celebrate excellence in education and honor those whose work supports students, families, and communities. We hope you'll join us this week by thanking the educators who have made a difference in children's lives.

Wednesday is National Educational Support Professionals Day. We want to thank our Educational Support Professionals, who keep our students safe, healthy, and ready to learn! Their great work allows our schools to be safe and comfortable learning environments. Please know that you're appreciated!

Friday is National Substitute Teachers Day. We want to take a moment to thank our substitute teachers for their tireless work in keeping schools running and students learning throughout the year. Substitute teachers are professionals who ensure students keep learning regardless of unexpected circumstances. They must prepare for any classroom environment, often with little notice. Thank you to all who have dedicated their time to substitute teaching. If you know any substitutes, be sure to thank them for their service! If you're interested in subbing in the ECASD, please visit <https://www.edustaff.org/>.

National Native American Heritage Month November is National Native American Heritage Month. Learn more at <https://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov/>.

Attention senior students and parents of seniors: Financial Aid Night

(Combined with North HS) will be on Monday, November 13 at 6:00 pm at North High School.

Memorial Giving Tree 23/24

This year marks the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Memorial Giving Tree! It started with an idea of how we could help our students in their time of need, in a timely manner. Over the years, we have asked, and parents, staff, and the community have answered with their generous donations to the Memorial Giving Tree. The money is used wisely and goes directly to the needs of Memorial students. We are grateful this fund exists!

During the 2022-23 school year, we were able to help many Memorial students in need. Here are some of the ways we were able to assist our students:

- Provided funds for basic clothing needs and clothing for job interviews
- Paid for eye exams and glasses
- Purchased prom tickets, yearbooks, and school field trip expenses
- Purchased grocery gift cards for students who were food insecure
- Purchased bus passes for transportation to school and work
- Purchased basic necessities for students



This is all possible because of your generosity! We hope you will consider giving to this worthy cause!

If at any time you want further information, please contact Heather Kapanke, School Counselor at hkapanke@ecasd.us or 715/852-6337. Checks should be made out the Memorial Giving Tree. Monetary donations can be dropped off in the Attendance or Student Services Office or directly to Heather Kapanke. Donations are accepted throughout the year and are tax deductible!

Boys Basketball Try-Outs

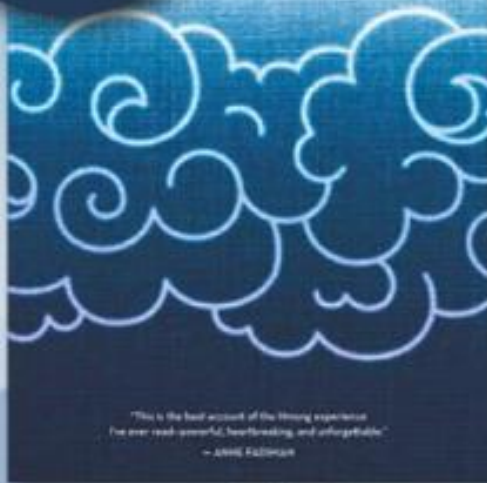
Any boy looking to try out for basketball on November 13th and November 14th should make sure to complete the following checklist by November 10th. (TODAY).

1. You need to officially fill out all the paperwork via rschool. Access the link below to begin that process.
 - a. <https://ecasd-ar.rschooltoday.com/>
2. Make sure to pay the school fee via MySchoolBucks. Access the link below to begin that process.
 - a. <http://www.myschoolbucks.com/>
3. Make sure you know what Pod you are supposed to tryout with. If you don't, see Mr. Brieske as soon as possible.

All-School Event



THE
LATEHOMECOMER
A Hmong
FAMILY MEMOIR
KAO KALIA YANG



Families may e-mail the library
(mhslibrary@ecasd.us)
at any time to check out a copy of
The Latecomer.



Kao Kalia Yang

Author Visit



Wednesday, November 15

8:30-9:32 (9th & 11th grades)

10:38-11:40 (10th & 12th grades)

MHS Auditorium

Families are welcome to attend - 50 spots
available per presentation. Please RSVP:
<https://forms.office.com/r/R5rUJ3iQ5v>



Book Signing - MHS Library

11:45-12:15, 12:40-1:10

Bring your own books or order below.

To Order Books for Signing

Please return the form below and cash
or check (made out to "Memorial High
School") to the library by Friday,
November 3.

Name _____

Email address _____ Phone _____

Quantity

_____ *The Latecomer: a Hmong Family Memoir* (paperback) \$14.99

_____ *The Song Poet: a Memoir of My Father* (paperback) \$17.47

_____ *From the Tops of the Trees* (hardcover picture book) \$12.99

_____ *Puag Saum Cov Ntsis Ntoo* (From the Tops of the Trees) (paperback Hmong edition) \$14.39

_____ *Desde las copas de los árboles* (From the Tops of the Trees) (paperback Spanish edition) \$10.99

_____ *The Most Beautiful Thing* (hardcover picture book) \$13.59

_____ *Yam Uas Zoo Nkauj Tshaj Plaws* (The Most Beautiful Thing) (paperback Hmong edition) \$17.99

_____ *La cosa más bella* (The Most Beautiful Thing) (paperback Spanish edition) \$16.01

_____ *The Yang Warriors* (hardcover picture book) \$16.95

Total number of books ordered _____ Total money enclosed _____

Please click [HERE](#) for the ECASD Family Engagement Newsletter

How to Quit Vaping



Workbook

New “Quit Vaping” Resource Available for Teens

There is a new “How to Quit Vaping” workbook for teens who are trying to quit vaping. This workbook is designed to be a hands-on tool that walks youth through the process of quitting. This includes what to expect, how to set goals, the realities of slip ups, building a support team, and additional resources.

You can find a [printable version](#) and an [online fillable version](#) of the workbook at ehealthalliance.org.

This information is provided by the Eau Claire Health Alliance - Substance Misuse Action Team, which works to prevent alcohol, tobacco, and other drug misuse. Learn more at: ehealthalliance.org

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

Irving Berlin's WHITE CHRISTMAS THE MUSICAL

Friday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 12 at 2 p.m.

Memorial High School Auditorium
All tickets are \$5 and available at the door.
ECASD students and staff are free with their ID.

White Christmas

Based on the 1954 Hollywood Movie, *White Christmas* the musical contains all the beautiful songs that have been popular for decades.

Veterans Bob Wallace and Phil Davis have a successful song-and-dance act after World War II. With romance in mind, the two follow a duo of beautiful singing sisters enroute to their Christmas show at a Vermont lodge, which just happens to be owned by Bob and Phil's former army commander.

With a dazzling score featuring well-known standards including “Blue Skies,” “I Love a Piano,” “How Deep Is the Ocean” and the perennial title song, *White Christmas* is an uplifting, wholesome musical that will delight audiences of all ages.

Memorial Highlights

Curling News

Ella Wendling and Eau Claire Curling Club member Benji Paral win GOLD! 🥇 Benji Paral is a sophomore at Memorial.

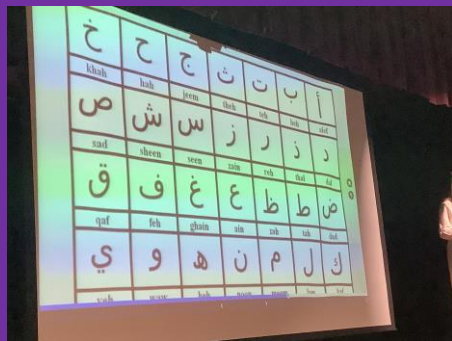
They have punched their tickets to South Korea and will represent the USA in mixed doubles at the Youth Olympic Games! Congratulations!

Click [HERE](#) for the link to the Eau Claire Curling Club Facebook Post.

MHS would like to extend **Congratulations** to MHS Senior Caden Hebert and Jackson Bestland, 2023 MHS Graduate. They will be curling at the Junior Worlds competition in Finland this December.



Memorial is fortunate to have a foreign exchange student from Palestine this year. Jood gave a wonderful presentation teaching some of our students and staff about her country and culture, along with answering questions.



Congratulations to the 1st quarter E² Students! They are being recognized for outstanding EFFORT and EXCELLENCE!

Alia	Alhattab
Samera	Barnes
Trevor	Bauer
Sofonias	Belay
Emily	Burdick
Millie	Cayley
Megan	Cha
Rich	Chang
Mackenna	Chaput
Elizabeth	Covill
Helena	Coy
Cashe	Englesby
Felix	Erickson
Ellie	Eslinger
Noah	Felix
Angel	Flaaten
Matthew	Gadke
Kali	Gurgel
Teddy	Harless
Kyle	Hartman
Ezi	Heard
Aurora	Hedrington
Alyssa	Hemmingson
Charlene	Her
JamERIC	Humphrey
Brady	Illg
Shannah	Juliot
Isabella	Kaeding
Kheng	Khang
Wesley	Kimball
Rhianna	Krouse

Boaz	Larson
Olivia	Lee
Penelapy	Lee
Mikaylen	Liljander
Erif	Lombard
Ahcher	Lor
Avamarye	Lovelace Romero
Xzavier	Lyons
Lluvia	Madrigal
Evan	Madsen
Isaac	Mangrum
Crhistian	Martinez Sosa
Dixon	Mastin
Meghan	McCann
Hannah	McGee
Zane	McHugh
Britta	Meyer
Giovanni	Mistrulli
Kaelee	Mitchell
Lily	Moua
Allie	Nelson
Lilliana	North
Bernardino Angel	Ocelot-Ocotl
Isaiah (Chike)	Okonmah
Elizabeth	Olmstead
Melissa	Organ
Nolan	Ottum
Wesley	Paul
Andrew	Petcu
Sebastian	Peterson
Alexa	Pluth

Will	Pongonis
Saihon	Quinney
William	Rankin
Eliana	Raya-Mora
Madeline	Reid
Adriana	Reyes-Hernandez
Scarlet	Richards
Olufemi	Sarumi-Aje
Breleigh	Schultz
Trejahn	Schult-Douglas
Tyler	Schwahn
Gunnar	Schwartzmiller
Ben	Skutley
Ayla	Smith
Ryan	Spaulding
Maia	Sternfeld-Dunn
Aurora	Sustaita Garcia
Christina	Sweetin
Keegan	Szymanski
Brooklyn	Thompson
Emma	Thurman
Abigail	Tobias
Mischa	Vang
Carter	Vanningan
Oliver	Vlcek
Yeepeng	Vue
Jyleaha	Vue
Hope	Wallace
Jackson	Wegner
Afton	Wilhelmi
Pa Zong	Yang



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Memorial Highlights

State Honors Jazz Band

State Honors
Jazz Band
consisted of 19
students this
year. 5 were
Memorial
students!

Congratulations!

In photo left to
right:
Mr. Domeyer,
Jazz Instructor.
Nathan Phillips,
Noah Felix,
Oskar Vleck,
Cory Stordahl,
Esme Olstadt.



Siblings Henry Miller and Lydia Miller pose at State Honors
Jazz Band.



Orchestra



Memorial Highlights

Sau Claire
MEMORIAL
Tennis

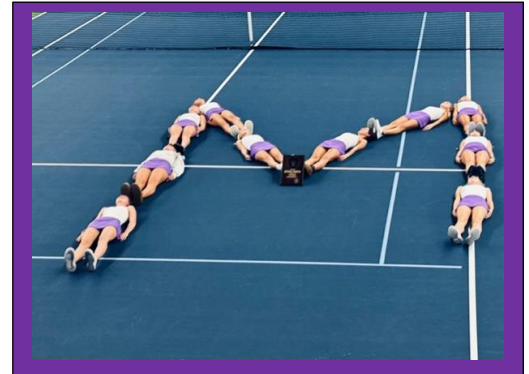
**2023 Memorial
STATE TENNIS**

Katelyn Anderson	Sophie McBride
Gracie Boughton	Britta Meyer
Olivia Cooper	Clara Parkhurst
Lucia Crawford	Livy Parrett
Ava Erickson	Natalie Scovil
Shay Fisher	Sally Thompson
Ziva Hirsh	Lucy Willems
Amelia Jones	Olivia Zavaleta

HEAD COACH: Jim Litscher
ASST. COACHES: Linda Erickson,
Jane Lindsay, Andy Cooper



**Congratulations to
the Girls' Tennis
Team on an amazing
season!**



**A Big Thank-You to DECA for running a Food Drive to support
Memorial High School's Food Pantry!**

#OldAbeProud!

It's a GREAT Day to be an Old Abe!