



Memorial High School Weekly

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Memorial High School Calendar

February

- 8 AP Registration/Payments Open
- 9 Math League – Cohort A
- 11 Math League – Cohort B
- 19 AP Registration and Payment due to BOE
- 25 Virtual Family / Teacher Conferences, TBA

March

- 2 No School – Virtual Family / Teacher Conferences
- 9 ACT Testing – Cohort A
- 10 ACT Testing – Cohort C
- 11 ACT Testing – Cohort B
- 19 End of 3rd Quarter
- 29-31 Spring Break – All Schools Closed

April

- 1 & 2 Spring Break – All Schools Closed

[Updated 2020-21 ECASD Calendar](#)

Important Links

Memorial High School Website

Memorial High School At-Home Learning Page.
This is where you will find **Canvas instructions**, teacher resources and materials, staff directory with emails, and test prep

COVID-19 correspondence from ECASD

EC Area Community Food and Other Resources

Breakfast Menu, Lunch Menu and Pickup Breakfast and Lunch Menus

Archives of MHS Weekly Newsletters

Order 2020-2021 School Yearbook

Technical Support for all ECASD families is available from 8:00AM - 3:00PM Monday through Friday by calling 715-852-3411

MHS News and Announcements

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-21 SCHOOL YEAR

2021-22 Course Registration will occur the week of February 8. Counselors will meet with Cohort A and B students in their English classes and with Cohort C via Teams. Please review the [ACP guide](#) and have your course selections ready to input by Feb. 8. If you are absent the week of Feb. 8 – you can input your course selections from home. Please see instructions on page 2 of the [ACP Guide](#).

ATTENTION JUNIORS – ACT INFORMATION

The ACT dates are:

- Tuesday, March 9 - Cohort A
- Wednesday, March 10 - Cohort C
- Thursday, March 11 - Cohort B

Cohorts A & B: You received an ACT Prep booklet in your English class this past week. If you were unable to get your copy, please stop by Student Services for a copy.

Cohort C: Copies are available for you to pick up in the Attendance Office.

FREE ACT PREP VIRTUAL WORKSHOP – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Provided by the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library

This workshop will help test takers learn:

- How to pace yourself
- Tips and strategies for each section of the test
- When and what to guess
- How to analyze directions

Registration begins Monday, February 1. Go to [ACT PREP Virtual Workshop](#) for more information.

ATTENTION SENIORS - CLASS of 2021 ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE

Graduation for Memorial will be held on **Thursday, May 27**. It is our intent to have an in-person ceremony, but a final decision has not been made at this time. If we are unable to have an in-person ceremony, we would move forward with a ceremony/event where students would receive diplomas in their caps and gowns. We will continue to update you as more information becomes available. **Please continue to monitor the MHS Weekly and emails for the school updates.**

Check Spelling of Student Name in Skyward

Occasionally when senior students pick up their diploma in June, a student notices his/her name is spelled incorrectly. The spelling of the names is taken directly from the student's record in Skyward. Please check your student's name in Skyward to confirm that the spelling is correct. Also, confirm that it is their legal name. If either of these are incorrect, please stop by the Memorial High School Registrar's office with a copy of your birth certificate so your permanent records can be updated. **Diplomas will be ordered on February 25, 2021.** After this date, any corrections made will be the student's responsibility, including contacting Jostens directly and paying for any cost incurred.

Scholarship Information - Check out the [Students Services Page](#) for updated scholarship information.

Senior Shout-out

MHS will continue with virtual shout-outs on Facebook for the Class of 2021. To make this successful, please send a "Then" and "Now" picture of your senior (.jpg or .png) along with a few sentences about your senior to vlogan@ecasd.us by **Wednesday, March 17**. These items will be put together in a fun template to share on social media. Be sure to check out Memorial's Facebook page [HERE](#) and like the page so you can see all senior posts beginning the week of March 22.

ECASD Attendance Procedures for Blended & Virtual Learning 9.9.2020 (updated 1.12.2021)

Please review the highlighted updates to the ECASD attendance procedures. Click [HERE](#) to view the full document.

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) requires school districts to record attendance during the school year for Blended instruction (Cohort A, B, and D) and 100% Virtual instruction (Cohort C). Attendance will be monitored as noted below. These procedures are in place for the 2020-21 school year only, and **do not apply to the procedures in the Eau Claire Virtual School.**

- Attendance for virtual learning sessions will be measured by students participating in coursework as outlined below. Students are automatically recorded as “Present” in Skyward. If a student does not meet the minimum expectations for attendance the teacher needs to change the student’s attendance to “Absent” for the virtual portion of the course for that week (either days for blended students or 5 days for cohort C students).
 - Students are required to attend synchronous sessions in MS Teams. All MS Teams sessions will also be recorded and made available to students. If a student is unable to attend the synchronous session, the student is responsible for watching the recording. Teachers will communicate the method for students to document this requirement. Students who fulfill this requirement are considered “present” for the virtual portion of their week. (Updated on 1.12.2021)
- When a student will be unavailable to complete online coursework for more than one day, the student/family should contact the teacher and make arrangements to complete the missed coursework.

MHS CLUBS and ATHLETICS

JOIN MHS GARDEN CLUB

Do you have a love for gardening, an interest for the natural world, or a desire to have a fun space to hang out with friends? Consider joining Garden Club on Monday and Thursday afternoons in Ms. Annis' room 1205! We would love to see you there!

BASEBALL MEETING

Anyone interested in playing baseball this year should attend the organizational meeting on Sunday, January 31 from 3 - 4:30 pm held in the Auditorium. There will be no baseball activities that day, so no need for gear. Parents not required to attend.

FOOTBALL SIGN UP

Anyone who is interested in playing football this spring should go to the following link to sign up. <https://tinyurl.com/2021oldabes>. The spring football season starts on March 8th. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Coach Sinz at msinz@ecasd.us.

BOYS SOCCER TRYOUTS

Any boys interested in trying out for the boys' soccer program this spring. Just a reminder that the week of try outs are March 22nd. To get updates on code signing and upcoming try out information please contact Coach Kite at dkite@ecasd.us to get on the general email list. Go Abes!

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY SIGN UP

Any boys interested in running Cross Country this spring should go to the Memorial Athletics webpage. Click on “Fall Sports”, then “Boys Cross Country”, then “2021 Spring sign up form”.

MHS ANNOUNCEMENTS -Stay updated with the [MHS Daily Announcements](#).

HOMWORK HELP

MATH HELP

Virtual tutoring in math is offered through Microsoft Teams every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3:15 – 4:15pm for all Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2 and Pre-Calc students. **Please contact your classroom teacher for the private link to get started.** *Students in other math classes needing extra assistance in math will need to contact their teacher directly and set up a time to get individual help.*

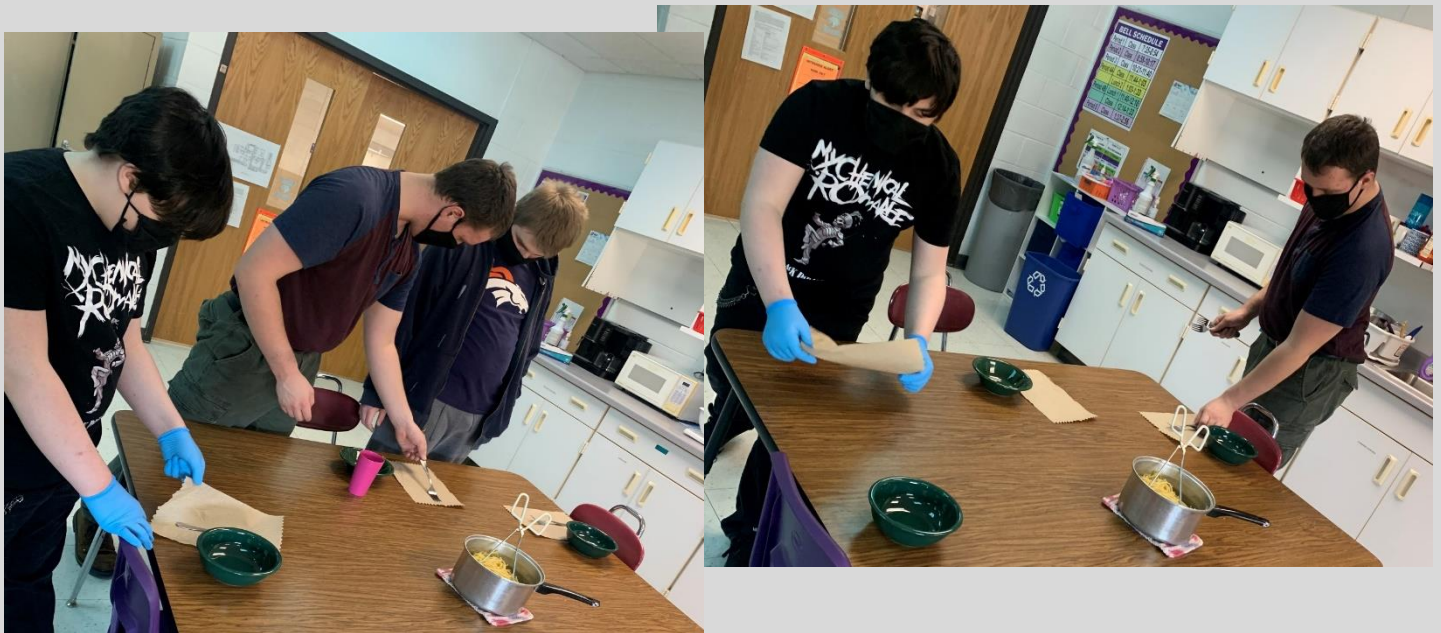
BLUGOLD BEGINNINGS

UWEC Blugold Beginnings is once again offering virtual tutoring and mentoring through Microsoft Teams daily from 3pm-5pm with college student tutors. Student can get help with math, science, social studies, paper revisions, and helping with assignment calendaring and organizations. Students will be asked to sign a contract for permission to meet with tutors, please contact the K-12 Coordinator Elroy Perkin at perkin@uwec.edu or 715-836-5503 for the teams link, application, or with any questions.

VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS FOR TEACHERS

Need to connect with a classroom teacher? Go to [Contacting Teachers 2020-21](#) for virtual office hours.

Ms. Trautlein's class with support of Ms. Cummings and Ms. Campbell were working on making lunch and table setting for life skills class.



Wisconsin
Education Fairs

The Wisconsin Education Fair (WEF) is going virtual!

We are expecting nearly 100 colleges, universities, military branches, and specialty schools to participate in the college fair portion. Offering a free monthly virtual college fair from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., followed by 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. interactive financial aid presentation. The next fair is Feb. 10
Go to the Student Services Canvas page to [HERE](#) to sign up!

MORE RESOURCES

FREE SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

FREE breakfast and lunch every school day for all students 18 and under.

- **FREE** breakfast and lunch at school. Sorry, this does not include a la carte.
- **FREE** breakfast and lunch pick up for ALL students is available at MHS Monday - Friday from 8:30-10:00 am and 4:30 – 6:00pm at door 4. To view other food pickup locations, click [HERE](#).
- **Meals on Yellow Wheels** is also available. Click [HERE](#) for the schedule.

OLD ABE FOOD PANTRY

The Old Abe Food Pantry is available to all Memorial students and families. Stop by Student Services, email [Val Logan, MHS Partnership Coordinator](#) or call 715-852-6307 for assistance with food.

We are very grateful for all the donations to the food pantry. Our pantry is supported by Feed My People, Sam's Club, and our generous MHS community. THANK YOU to ALL who continually give to help meet the needs of our students and families. We are so thankful for you!

FROM ECASD NURSING DEPARTMENT

Mental health is relative to our physical and daily wellbeing, in COVID times and otherwise. Please check out the [ECASD Nursing Department webpage](#) and [newsletters](#) which is updated monthly with information and resources on how to improve and maintain healthy thought processes, attitudes, practices, and relationships - for both adults and children.

SCHOOL BASED MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP - FEBRUARY 23

The ECASD School Based Mental Health program will be hosting a virtual workshop for families and caregivers on Tuesday, February 23 from 1:00-1:45 pm and the same session again on Tuesday, February 23, from 6:30-7:15 pm. Click [ECASD School Based Mental Health Family/Caregiver Support Virtual Workshop](#) for more information and the Teams link to join this virtual event.

You can also learn much more about the ECASD School Based Mental Health program [here](#) or by reaching out to ECASD Mental Health Coordinator Lisa Steig at lsteig@ecasd.us.

PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT: FEBRUARY 1 – APRIL 30, 2021

Wisconsin residents in grades 4K-12 may apply to attend school in a school district other than the one in which they live. For example: a child that lives in the Altoona School District could apply to attend the Eau Claire Area School District (ECASD). Students in pre-kindergarten may participate in limited circumstances; parents should call ECASD Administration Department at 852-3003 to find out if their preschool-aged child(ren) qualify.

Students who are currently attending ECASD through open enrollment DO NOT need to reapply.

The open enrollment application for the 2021-22 school year is February 1 – April 30, 2021. An online application will be available to the public beginning Monday, February 1, and closing at 4:00 p.m. on April 30, 2021. For more information about open enrollment, please go to: <http://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>.

Have you moved outside of the Eau Claire School District this year? If so, you need to complete a **Tuition Waiver** form. Contact ECASD Administration Department for more information at 852-3003.

It is a GREAT DAY to be an OLD ABE!