



Memorial High School Weekly

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Memorial High School Calendar

October

30 End of 1st Quarter

November

- 1 Senior Pictures Due for Yearbook
- 9 Cohort A - Picture Retake
- 13 Cohort B & C – Picture Retake
- 19 Virtual Family Teacher Conferences, 3:15-7:15pm
- 23 No School for Students
Virtual Family Teacher Conferences, 8:00am-4:00pm
- 24-27 No School, Thanksgiving Break

Updated 2020-21 ECASD Calendar

At the School Board meeting October 5th, our Board approved a Blended Model 2020-2021 School Year Calendar to account for the learning models and other changes this school year. This schedule will be in place while the District uses a blended learning model. **If/when the District changes to 100% Face to Face, the District will revert to our original calendar. To view the calendar, go to: [2020-21 UPDATED ECASD Calendar](#)**

Important Links

Memorial High School Website

Memorial High School At-Home Learning Page.

This is where you will find 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

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

MHS News, Announcements and Highlights

Student and Family Expectations for Learning

At Memorial High school we are committed to providing the academic excellence that students need to be prepared college, career, and community success. Below are the expectations from our Student and Family Expectation and Learning Handbook to help us achieve this commitment, please take time to review.

Expectations for Students:

- Learn every day
- Check school email and respond in a timely manner
- Access work through Canvas, grades in Skyward
- Turn in work on time
- Participate in Teams meetings/class discussions
- Reach out to school staff when you have questions or do not understand an assignment

Expectations for Parents/Guardians:

- Provide up-to-date contact information for all parents/guardians and emergency contacts, including preferred method of contact: phone or email.
- Encourage students to learn every day
- Encourage students to participate in Teams meetings/class discussions
- Check email, communicate with staff for questions/concerns
- Monitor work via Canvas and monitor grades via Skyward

Protocols for staff if a student is not engaging in coursework:

1. Teacher emails student AND parent two times, if no response within one day of email
2. Teacher calls home to talk with parents. If parents indicate need for other help, referral to school counselor or other staff may be warranted. If no answer, a message is left.
3. If after phone call home the student is still not engaged and teacher has not heard back from parent, second call from teacher. Leave another message and email.
4. If teacher phone calls do not prompt engagement, call home from school counselor or team member set up by school.
5. If no contact can be made, teacher leaves a message and sends a certified letter.
6. If no response to voicemail or email, referral for a welfare check.

The Student and Family Expectation and Learning handbook also includes important resources for technology, staff contacts, and community resources. Be sure to check it out [HERE](#).

Need 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.

Need Additional Help

- MHS Skills Center Will Be Opening Soon
- Check out: [Getting Started with Canvas in 10 Steps](#)
- Use the Daily Organizer located on our Student Services Canvas page. Click [HERE](#)

Morning Announcements by Student Council

Thank you to **Student Council** for providing the morning announcements every Tuesday and Thursday at the end of second period.

Stay Informed...

Morning announcements are also posted on the [MHS Website](#) and [MHS Facebook Page](#).

What is Student Council?

Student Council (STUCO) is the student government at Memorial. Members of Student Council are elected by their classmates each year. STUCO represents students' interests in regular meetings with administration to address student concerns, issue grants to students, teachers, and clubs, and organize activities to promote school spirit.

Would You Like to Be Involved with Student Council?

We have all had to make adjustments this year, and that includes how we add new members to Student Council. As we are unable to hold elections this year, we have implemented a new system. If you (or your student) would like to be a part of this amazing group of leaders, you will need to complete the following steps:

1. Email 2 teachers for endorsement. (A long reference is not needed.)
 - Simply state: (Teacher Name), endorse (Student Name) to run for Student Council.
2. Once received, email these endorsements to kcampbelldeleyo@ecasd.us by **October 16th**.
3. Prepare for an interview with the Student Council Executive Board the week of the 19th.

Please note that our twice monthly Wednesday meetings are 100% virtual; all interested students can apply, regardless of their schooling situation. **We look forward to having you join us.**



2020-21 Student Services
High School Information



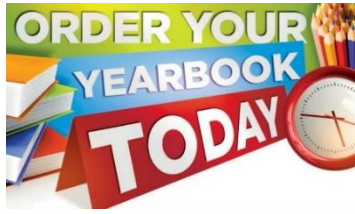
Students...

Please check Student Services Canvas course often for grade level updates, college application information, virtual learning support such as creating a M-F daily school schedule and to locate important community, college, and career information. Stay informed and don't miss out. **Go Abes!**

Joel Raney Prize for Fiction Contest

Award winning author Nickolas Butler invites Memorial High School students to participate in the 4th annual Joel Raney Prize for Fiction writing contest. Submission deadline is December 20th. Click [HERE](#) for more details and start writing!

Save Money, Buy Yearbook Today



After October 16, the price of the Yearbook will increase to \$55. Order now to take advantage of the lowest yearbook price of the school year. Yearbooks may be purchased online through Jostens' secure website by clicking [HERE](#). The price of the Yearbook will increase as the school year progresses. Buy early to save money!



The IMC may be closed but you can still check out library books! Request books online and receive an email when books are ready for pickup.

Go to: ecasd.libguides.com/requests

Do not let the pandemic stop you from reading a good book!

Family Advisory Council Update

Family Advisory Council held its first meeting of the school year on October 6. FAC elected officers for the year: Jenna Murphy, Chair; Erica Christensen, Vice-Chair; Sara Johnson, Secretary. Superintendent Johnson introduced himself to FAC and members of the Executive Team shared a presentation that was shared at the previous night's school board meeting related to the opening of schools. FAC members had an opportunity to offer feedback and ask questions. The next Family Advisory Council meeting is November 10, 2020. Click [HERE](#) for the minutes from this meeting.

Election 2020 is almost here!! **If you are 18 years old** the last day to register online at www.myvote.wi.gov is October 14th at midnight. Don't delay – your vote is your voice for the future. **If you are turning 18 years old after October 14 but on or before Election Day November 3rd**, you can register in person at your City Hall or Township Office or at the polls on Election Day. If you are already register, consider offering to assist others (relatives, neighbors, friends) at www.myvote.wi.gov. **Remember, your vote is your voice for the future! Go Vote ABES!**



Are you an Alumni of Memorial High School?

Be sure to...



Follow [Eau Claire Memorial High School Alumni Association Page](#) on Facebook.

Signup to receive the ECASD Alumni Association Newsletter [HERE](#).

Share your Alumni News, highlights and photos with [Memorial's Partnership Coordinator, Val Logan](#).

VIRTUAL LEARNING TIPS

KEEP A STEADY SCHEDULE

On days your student is learning from home, try to maintain a consistent schedule as much as possible. Take breaks and have lunch at around the same time each day. This will provide a sense of structure for students.

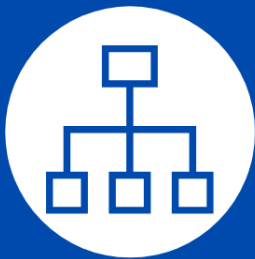


CREATE THE RIGHT SPACE

Designate a room or area of your home where your student will do all or most of their virtual learning. Make this space as conducive to learning as possible, with a table or desk, comfortable chair, adequate lighting and relatively few distractions.

CHECK IN ON LEARNING

Be sure to check your email for any messages from your child's teachers. Ask your student about the assignments they are working on and upcoming due dates. Have your child give you a brief progress report in the morning and afternoon.



STAY ORGANIZED

Encourage your child to stay organized in both their physical and digital spaces. Their work area should be free of clutter and distractions. On their laptops or mobile devices, they should have a good system for storing files and documents so they can find what they need quickly.

BE PATIENT

Virtual learning does not come easily to everyone. While the pandemic remains a factor in our lives, students may need some extra help staying on track and getting accustomed to the demands the virtual learning presents. Be understanding and patient as your student makes these transitions.



ATTENTION SENIORS

Apply Now – No Application Fees

The following universities will be waiving application fees during the times listed...

- UW Green Bay – no application fees through Oct. 31
- UW Milwaukee – no application fees through Oct. 31
- UW OshKosh – no application fees through Oct. 31
- UW Platteville – no application fees through Oct. 31
- UW Stout – no application fees Oct 1-12
- UW Superior – no application fees through Oct. 31
- UW Whitewater – no application fees through Oct. 31
- CVTC – no application fees through Dec. 31 use promo code: GO2CVTC

CLASS OF 2021

Senior Picture Requirements for the Yearbook

Seniors, your senior picture is due to Ms. Sylte by **November 1, 2020**. Submit your picture using the following criteria:

- *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 electronic version.
- Saved as a .jpeg or .tif
- The picture is a portrait image (upright) vs. a landscape image (sideways)
- The picture does not depict violence, alcohol, drugs, or anything that would violate school rules such as a weapon.

Pictures may be uploaded via the Jostens link [Jostens RePlayIt Photo Submission](#) or emailed to csylte@ecasd.us.

Scholarships

To view the updated list of scholarships posted go [MHS Student Services](#) page or the [Student Services Canvas](#) page. Both sites will have the same scholarships posted. Please check for new scholarships often throughout your senior year. Many scholarships today are designed to reach more students with varying GPA's. Character, financial need and overcoming adversity is also considered with many scholarships. Go Abes!

Do you have questions on how to complete the FAFSA?

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is the form a student needs to complete to apply for financial aid, such as grant and loans. FAFSA filing begins October 1st, Apply Early

Check out these great resources to assist you:

- Memorial High School Virtual FAFSA Night 2020
- Virtual College Goal Wisconsin

Virtual College/University Visits

Check out [College/University Virtual Meetings/Tours](#) on the Student Services Canvas page to virtually visit and learn more about many Colleges and Universities.

It is a GREAT Day to be an Old Abe!