

MIDLAND HIGH SCHOOL DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS
TUESDAY MAY 16, 2023

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chemics! Today is the second day of Distracted Driving Awareness Week! Did you know that the most common distraction is texting while driving? Almost 400,000 teens are injured in car crashes every year because they were on their phones! Did you know that your phone has a driving feature that silences notifications while you're on the road? Come to eyeball alley during both lunches to make an "I Pledge" statement to win a prize! Drive Safe!

Want to try out your green thumb? Come join the green club this afternoon to help water our newly planted greenery around MHS! Meet in Mr. Edelbrock's room after school at 2:30. And follow us on instagram @themhsgreebclub.

The Media Center will be closed for both lunches today.

Reminder for Seniors - The Senior Awards program is **TODAY, May 16th, at 6pm** in the Main Gym. If you did not receive an invite in the mail, and believe you should have, please check with Mrs. Kirkman in the Counseling Center.

During Lunch TOMORROW Chemics, come check out the following events:

- 1) As this school year is coming to an end, celebrate the warm weather with some friends by participating in Chemic Picnic Day! Join us outside, in front of Eyeball Alley, with your lunch and a blanket during both lunches. Soak up the remaining moments of this school year, Chemics!
- 2) Don't forget the rock, paper, scissors tournament TOMORROW. Forget to buy your beads today? No worries, we will be selling beads in Eyeball Alley before school tomorrow if you would like to purchase one or more strings of beads. If you lose your beads during the competition, you will be able to purchase more during both lunch hours. The top 3 Chemics that win the most beads will win a gift card with the top prize of a \$25 gift card to Buffalo Wild Wings. Thank you to all of you that are participating and supporting Skylar and her family!

After school tomorrow, come by the Aux Gym for some fun at our Carnival **TOMORROW from 3-4pm**. Warm up your swing for a ring toss, strategize your musical chair technique, and get ready for Plinko, cupcake walk, water balloon toss, food-eating competition, and more! Tickets will be available to purchase to play the games at the event and some events like karaoke and the photo booth are free. If you would like to volunteer at the event, please see Ms. Albright in room 337 as we could use your help. Proceeds benefit our very own Skylar Hintz.

Chemics, here is the most recent update on your classmate, Skylar, who is battling cancer. So much has happened in the last 2 weeks. After the first chemo and just before the start of the 2nd round of chemo, Skylar started losing her hair, so we decided to get it cut just above her shoulders and donated 15.5 inches to "Wigs for Kids". Shortly after that we were back in the hospital for round 2, a 5-day, two different chemo treatment plan. On the second day, her hair was really falling out and quickly. She made the decision she was done with that and wanted me to shave it. She was wayyy more ready than I was. The nurse brought us the clippers and I shaved her head while she sat in a chair over top of a bed sheet we'd spread out on the floor in her hospital room. As I shaved, I balled. I thought about all the things any parent would think of. "Why is this happening", "This sucks", "Should be me, not her"....and Skylar says, "It is what it is". Calm like a cucumber. She is strong, there's no doubt about that. Skylar's kindergarten teacher came for a visit and brought goodies. She just celebrated her 10-year anniversary of being cancer-free. During the visit she said, "You got this, Skylar. Cancer's not for wimps." She wasn't kidding.

A note from Mrs. Welser - SENIOR Chromebook collection begins **TOMORROW**. Please be sure to have all your personally added stickers removed from your device. If you have any outstanding/lost items - bring them with you to the Chromebook

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office to clear any fines prior to receiving your cap and gown. Please do not turn in any late items to teachers as your fines may not be cleared for your cap and gown.

The fun doesn't stop there Chemics. The MHS Chess Club and Student Leadership will be hosting a Chess Tournament on **THIS Thursday, May 18th**, in the Media Center from **5-7pm**. All grade levels and abilities of chess players are welcome to compete! Seniors, this is a great opportunity to go to your last MHS event. Contact Ben Bucci, Andrew Steger, or Cody Ridder for more details. Be there or be circle.

Curious about all of the colorful signs in Eyeball Alley? Each sign indicates the pathways our MHS seniors have decided to take next year. See names like Andrew Steger attending Purdue University and Laura Brookens attending Spring Arbor University. Along with many others! We want to celebrate our seniors, their high school journeys, and their future plans.

Chemics, you determine your legacy. What will it be? The senior class has provided several responses about what their legacy is at Midland High. This display will be presented in Eyeball Alley and around the school.

This month is Asian American Pacific Islander month. Today we will focus on Wong Kim Ark. He was born in the United States to immigrant parents. However, his parents were denied re-entry after a trip to China. He had to fight for his 14th Amendment right in court. The 14th Amendment states if you were born on US territory, you are a citizen.

Start searching your homes, classrooms, and lockers for any missing library books. All library books are due this **Friday, May 19th**.

POSITIVE THINKING

Open Minded: doesn't mean that you are putting your own thoughts and beliefs to the side, but rather being able to listen to someone without judgment, criticism or pushing your own perspective on them. It can be a beautiful thing that even when you disagree with someone, your conversation is understanding and thought provoking. Challenge yourself to be more aware and become a little more open-minded when you speak to someone, to where you leave the conversation, learning something new rather than changing your mood and letting judgment consume you and your joy.

WALK THE HALLS

SENIORS!!! Wear your cap and gown to the following Walk the Hall events occurring **NEXT WEEK**:

Monday, May 22nd:

Adams - meet out front at **11am** for a group picture.

Central Park (former Eastlawn and Carpenter) – meet in front at **10:30am** for a group picture.

Siebert – meet in front of Siebert at **10am** for a group picture.

Tuesday, May 23rd:

Chestnut Hill – meet in front of the building at **1:30pm** for a group picture.

Plymouth – meet in the lobby at **1:30pm** for a group photo.

Northeast Middle School – meet in front of the building at **2:15pm** for a group picture.

Woodcrest – meet in front of the sign at **3pm** for a group picture.

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Friday, May 26th:

St. Brigid Elementary - Wear your cap & gown and meet in the lobby at **2pm** for a group picture.

After the group photo, you will be able to walk the halls for your respective elementary and middle school in celebration of your accomplishment.

Graduation Walk for Seniors new to Midland Public Schools: Did you not attend a local elementary or middle school? A group of students who moved to MPS after elementary school and/or middle school are meeting to take a group picture in their caps and gowns in front of Midland High School. If you would like to participate, please meet in front of the school on **May 22nd at 11:30am.**

IN SPORTS ACTION

The Varsity Girls Soccer team defeated Bay City Central 9-1 last night in Saginaw Valley play. The Chemics controlled the match from the start with scoring within the first 3 minutes of the match by Addyson Sterling and assisted by Alahna Beckett. Minutes later, Kennedy Thurlow scored, assisted by Alahna Beckett. After Bay City Central scored on the 10th minute of the game, the Chemics kept on the pressure and scored 6 more times in the half. The Midland Chemics are 11-4-1 and 6-3-1 in the SVL.

The Girls Track and Field team won a close meet with cross town rivalry by a score of 69-67. Congratulations to the whole team for the victory. Midland High swept the high jump, long jump, and discus events. Cam Mackezyk, Olivia McMath, and Ellary Laverty led the team with 2 first places. Grace Riddle saved the team by running the 3200m tired and placed third for her Chemics. Lily Rekeweg jumped into a relay at the last minute, so both Grace and Lily won the Chemic Pride Award. Abigail Shealy caught the discus error first and saved the day.

Girls Track - Don't forget today's practice is outside at 2:45 pm.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Varsity Girls Lacrosse are on the road today to play Haslett at 5:30pm.