

Molalla High School Website: [mhs.molalliariv.k12.or.us](http://mhs.molalliariv.k12.or.us)

### **Pictures Make Up Day**

Picture make up day is this Friday, September 8. This is for students who were not able to have their picture taken at registration. Picture packets are available at the MHS main office for those who would like to purchase pictures. The photographers will be at the high school from 7:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

### **Site Council Meeting**

Site Council is a team of teachers, classified staff, parents, and students who work with administration to plan professional development and policies. Parents are welcome to attend the meeting. The first meeting of the year is on Monday, September 11 in the Main Office Conference Room, at the high school from 2:50p.m-4:00 p.m.

### **Freshman Back to School Night**

Freshman Back to School Night is scheduled for Monday, September 25 from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. in the MHS auditorium. This will be an opportunity for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families to learn more about the high school experience and gain valuable information on how to succeed at MHS.

### **Senior Financial Aid Night (for senior students and their parents)**

Financial Aid Information Night is on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. There will be a representative from Clackamas Community College speaking about the Financial Aid process that you/your will be going through this year. Topics such as FAFSA, Oregon Promise and a brief overview of scholarships will be discussed. Financial Aid is a very important topic for senior students, please plan on attending. A separate night for Scholarship Information is scheduled for Thursday, October 19.

### **Attention Parents of Juniors!!!!!!!**

On October 11<sup>th</sup> Molalla High School will be offering the PSAT to all sophomores (free) and juniors (\$16.00). Juniors have until September 22 to sign up and pay for the test- they sign up and pay Mrs. Lee-Hill, our bookkeeper. The PSAT is great practice for the SAT; both require you to use your critical thinking skills to answer multiple-choice questions within a fixed amount of time. Students who take the PSAT have seen an average increase of 145 points higher on their SAT. Yes, your child did take the PSAT last year for free, but this year is their chance not only to better their SAT score, but also to qualify for a significant honor and scholarship; The National Merit Scholarship. This scholarship and recognition is only available to juniors who take the PSAT.

**Upcoming SAT Dates** – senior students, these will be the last dates you can take the SAT and get scores back by most university registration deadlines (register at [sat.org](http://sat.org))

<b><u>SAT Date</u></b>	<b><u>SAT Registration Deadline</u></b>	<b><u>SAT Late Registration Deadline</u></b>
<b>October 7</b>	September 8	Sept. 19 for mailed registrations; Sept. 27 for registrations made online
<b>November 4 (Molalla High School)</b>	October 5	Oct. 17 for mailed registrations; Oct. 25 for registrations made online

### **Attendance Procedures**

Parents, if your child is going to be absent from school please call our attendance secretary, Chris Cooksey at 503-759-7304. If you leave a message include your name, your child's name, the reason for your child's absence, and the date. You may also send a note the day your child returns to school. Please include dates of absence(s), child's name, reason for absence (specific), and a parent signature. All absences which include anything more than a medical/dental appointment or illness must be pre-arranged. A written note from the parent/guardian at least 24 hours in advance needs to be given to the attendance secretary to receive a pre-arranged absence.

### **Parent Volunteers**

We love parents helping at the High School! In order to volunteer or chaperone at our school, you have to complete a Criminal History Verification Form for Volunteers and the Child Abuse Prevention Training (CAP) on line training. The background checks are good for 3 years, and the CAP on- line training has to be completed every school year at the beginning of the school year. The links for the Criminal History Verification form and CAP training instructions can be found on our website under the PARENTS Tab.

### **Power Hour (an opportunity for students who need help with algebra or geometry)**

Power Hour begins on Monday, September 18 and will be offered every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:00 p.m. -3:30 p.m. in the library. Any student who is taking Algebra 1, Geometry, or Algebra 2 or are taking an e-school math class that they need help with may attend for tutoring. Students are responsible for their own transportation home after Power Hour. Power Hour will run through Tuesday, November 28.

### **Snack Bag Program**

Foothills Resource Center will again be providing snack bags to help students in our district. If your child receives free or reduced lunch and could benefit from a weekly snack bag please have them see Mrs. Rieskamp in Room 3 on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., or contact her at [503-759-7364](tel:503-759-7364).

### **Free and Reduced Lunch Information**

Free and Reduced Lunch applications are available at Chris Cooksey's desk or at the Nutrition Services Department. This form needs to be completed every year to qualify for free or reduced meals. Students who were receiving free/reduced lunch at a Molalla River School District school last year will have until October 2 to complete a new application to qualify for this year.