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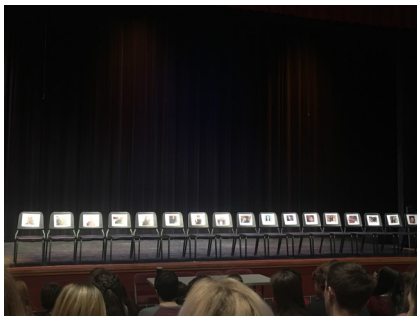
April 2018

Attention seniors!

Attention seniors! Don't forget service learning should be turned into Mrs. Goodwin as soon as possible. At least seventy-five hours are required to graduate, but if you turn in an extra 132 hours for a total of 207 hours you will receive the service learning medallion at graduation. Four seniors have already qualified for this medallion so far this year. Last year, a total of 27 seniors qualified for the service learning medallion. Mrs. Goodwin recommends participating in activities like Storybook Holiday, envirothon events, Beautify the 'Burg, and church activities such as dinners or bake sales. Students at any grade level can turn in service learning hours as far back as sixth grade.
 — Destiny Warnick

Achievements

On March 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. students were dismissed from class and given the option to either sit in the cafeteria, or participate in the "Walk-In". The "Walk-In" was an event that hundreds of schools participated in across the nation. It was held in the auditorium to honor victims of the school shooting in Parkland, Florida in February. In the auditorium, students participated in a moment of silence for the seventeen victims of the Parkland Shooting. Seventeen chairs were placed on the stage in remembrance of those victims. Following the moment of silence, Nina Lockard spoke about the seriousness of suicide, and both Morgan Edwards and guest speaker Andrew Duck spoke on gun violence and the need for change in our country. "A tragedy happens, politicians offer thoughts and prayers, and we move on. Soon enough, another tragedy happens. This is not a normal cycle and we must not become numb to it" (Morgan Edwards). Following the assembly, students were given the option of registering to vote if they had a form of ID on them and were at least sixteen years of age.
 —Kailia Pua'auli



Dates to Know

- × March 29th— PBIS Gold Rush and Two Hour Early Dismissal
- × March 30th— April 2nd— Easter Break
- × April 4th— Reality Fair and End of Marking Period
- × April 5th— Delayed Opening
- × April 5th-April 20th—Real History of Fake News Presentations
- × April 9th— PARCC Testing Beginnings, Spring Sports Pictures, and AP Test Registration
- × April 10th— Model United Nations Event
- × April 18th— Math Competition
- × April 11th— Report Cards Posted
- × April 14th— Craft Fair
- × April 22nd— Earth Day
- × April 24th—10th Grade CCTE Visitation
- × April 25th-29th— Allegany County Art Show

Senior Section

SAT Dates— May 5, 2018 Register by April 6, 2018

ACT Dates— April 14, 2018 Register by March 9, 2018

Guaranteed Access Grants (GAG):

1. Resident of Maryland
 2. Enroll at a two-year or four-year Maryland college or university
 3. Demonstrate financial need
- Stop in guidance office for more information!

Maryland College Aid Process System (MDCAPS):

Apply - <https://mdcaps.mhcc.state.md.us>

FAFSA must be completed first

Kid's Chance Scholarship (ongoing)

Apply after FAFSA

Avery Bridges Memorial Athlete Scholarship— \$1,000

Deadline: April 13, 2018

Joseph J. Fox Memorial Scholarship—\$1,000

Deadline: April 15, 2018

Maryland PTA Scholarship— \$500

Deadline: April 16, 2018

Elizabeth Ann "Libby" First Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 20, 2018

Katie DeRosa Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 20, 2018

Avery Bridges Memorial Athlete Scholarship— Mountain Thunder

Deadline: April 20, 2018

2018 Student View Scholarship Program—\$4,000

Deadline: April 22, 2018

Application: www.student-view.com

Enordo "Moose" Arnone Scholarship—\$1,000

Deadline: April 23, 2018

The Law Offices of Anthony Vecchio Scholarship—\$1,000

Deadline: April 30, 2018

Application: www.anthonyvecchiolaw.com/scholarship-program

Children and Youth Scholarship American Legion Auxiliary

Deadline: May 1, 2018

Garrett Soil Conservation District Scholarship

Deadline May 1, 2018

Community Trust Foundation Dick Ryan Scholarship

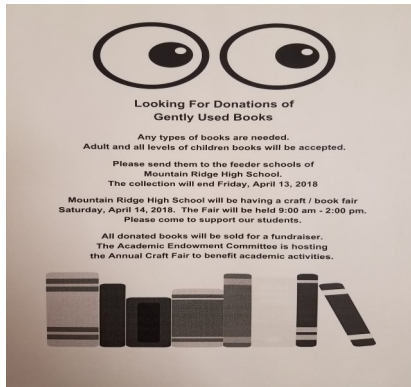
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Moran Scholarship

Deadline: May 1, 2018

Craft Show

On April 14, 2018 the Annual Craft and Vendor fair will take place at Mountain Ridge. Also during the fair, used books will be sold. Gently used books are being collected, and every three books is equal to earning one hour of service- learning. Volunteers are also needed to help with the process of setting up and tearing down, as well as working the booths. This fair will benefit academic activities within the school. —Destiny Warnick



Club & Sports Announcements!

Yearbook

The yearbook staff has sent all finished materials to the book publisher for publication. The staff is currently working on the 2018 Spring Supplement which will be on sale for \$10. The forms and money should be turned in to English teachers, a Meridian staff member, or Dr. Marchbank by March 28. Also, for seniors, the deadline to turn in a Graduation speech to be considered for graduation is April 12.— Emily Jones



Mock Trial



Mock trial had a winning season with a record of 4-3. Dr. Marchbank would like to congratulate all students involved in the program and thanks everyone who made this season one to remember . —Emily Jones

Football

This month the Football Team Training is preparing for their Spring Max Outs, where the team will be maxing in the bench press, squat, power clean, dead lift, and the push press. Coach Patterson, head coach of the football team, said, "We hold this event every Spring to get some healthy competition between the boys." Going along with the football team training max outs, there is also a Football Team Training Lifter of the Month, which is Alec Dermer. The football team also holds after school lifting, and the lifter of the month was Dalton Skidmore. —Kailia Pua'auli



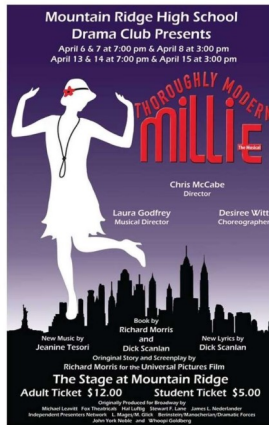
French Club

Mrs. Gray would like to announce that her French 1 class will be cheese tasting, and that the French Club will be having their Farewell. Mrs. Gray would also like to congratulate Chloe Wildman, who is the French Club President, for doing such a great job in the club. —Kailia Pua'aul



Wrestling

Coach Twigg's wrestling team went to the State Tournament at the Show place arena. Coach Twigg would like to recognize his team for their hard work. He would also like to recognize Cameron Ritchey (#138) for placing 2nd place, Jesse Fresh (#106) for placing 3rd place, and Marcus Folk (#182) for placing 4th place. Well done!—Kailia Pua'auli



Drama Club

This years Spring Musical is "Thoroughly Modern Millie" directed by Mr. Chris McCabe, will be presented on April 6th, 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, and the 15th. This musical is during the roaring 20's. Young feisty flapper Millie plans to find a job and marry a wealthy employer. Even though she is in love with the penniless paper-clip salesman, Jimmy. As she tries to find love, the evil landlady Mrs. Meers schemes to sell the orphaned woman into white slavery. This production stars Laurel Plitnik, Audrey Jones, Clayton Muir, John McConnell, and 30 other Mountain Ridge students.—Annabelle Weilhelm

Envirothon

The Envirothon team has started practicing for their competition on April 25. The team practices every Tuesday from 3:00-4:00 pm. For anyone looking to join, they are still accepting new members. —Kailia Pua'auli



Wellness

Mrs. Malec would like to announce that Wellness will be playing Healthy Bingo. Teachers can complete five Wellness activities to win a prize! Mountain Ridge teachers will also be participating in the Stepping Into Spring Walking Challenge-. More details on this will come in the future! —Marissa Kady



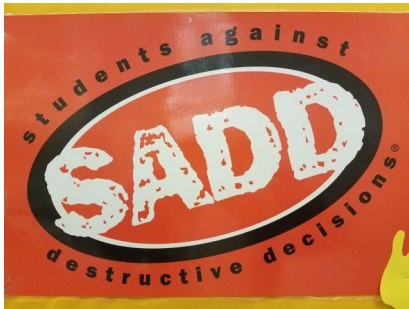
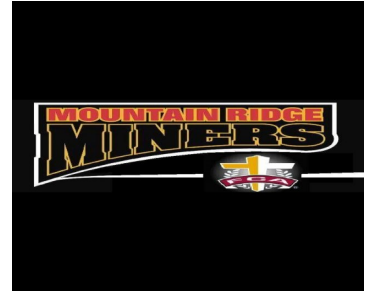
Model United Nation Event

The model United Nations is approaching soon. The model U.N. allows students an opportunity to improve their speaking skills and continue to grow their debate style. Students are assigned to work on one country and they must develop a solution to international issues. Background information must be done and an argument developed. The main focus of this year is the increasing North Korean weapons program and the growing fear around them. Organizational meetings were held to allow the students involved in the activities to better develop their arguments and information.—Destiny Warnick



FCA

On April 11th there is an FCA meeting with donuts donated by Duckworth Heating and Air, Softball Coach and local pastor, Matt Eichorn, will be guest speaking. This will also be our spring sports pizza challenge. So whichever team has the highest percent of attendance will win a pizza part. —Annabelle Wilhelm



S.A.D.D.

SADD members have been eagerly working on their ad campaign for 2018. The students are creating advertisements against the use of e-cigarettes and their effects on adolescent teens today. They are in the process of creating numerous creative advertisements; including a radio announcement, a billboard, and a YouTube video.—Shyanne Foutz



Band & Colorguard

On Wednesday, March 28th, the Jazz Orchestra performed at the Potomac State College Jazz Invitational from 5:00-9:00 pm. Students who are soloists in this event include Senior Kaleb Tawney (trumpet soloist), Juniors Annie Moon (alto saxophone soloist) and Laurel Plitnik (piano soloist), and Sophomore Jason Chen (trumpet soloist).—Shyanne Foutz



Events!

On Saturday, March 17, The MRHS Performing Arts Department hosted a Character Breakfast in the school cafeteria. This fundraiser, ran by Mr. Shank, Mrs. Mowery, and Mrs. Anderson, was held to help pay for bus transportation for the Performing Arts Departments trip to New York City in May. At this breakfast, plates of pancakes, scrambled eggs, and sausage were served by chorus and band members, while Disney characters like Sorcerer Mickey Mouse, Cinderella, Prince Charming, Rapunzel, Princess Jasmine, Princes Merida, Alice, Pocahontas, and Pinocchio walked around and posed for pictures with the people who attended. —Kailia Pua'auli



Doctor Salmon Visit

Maryland Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Karen B. Salmon, has recently been visiting local schools within the county. Dr. Salmon visited Beall Elementary and Mountain Ridge. At Mountain Ridge, she, along with Dr. Cox, visited Dr. Ravenscroft's Historical Research Methods class, Mrs. Emerick's College Algebra class, and Mr. Babich's Exploring Computer Science class.— Shyanne Foutz



Fake News Presentation

Make sure to come out and support the Mountain Ridge Historical Research Methods class, taught by Dr. Ravenscroft, as they present the *The Real History of Fake News* on Thursday, April 5, 2018, – Friday, April 20, 2018 10a.m. – 4 p.m., and Tuesday – Sunday 1p.m. – 4p.m. at the Allegany Museum on 3 Perishing Street Cumberland, MD. —Kailia Pua'auli

Math Competition

Mrs. Hoover will be having some of her students involved in the Math Contest at Allegany College on April 18. Those students include Wesley Blubaugh, Aimee Culler, Evan Darr, Cobey Fair, Dresden Kershaw, Josh Metz, Tim Moore, Laurel Plitnik, Dylan Printy, Jackson Taylor, Grace Trenum, And Nicholas Twing. The test will be one hour long, no calculator allowed, only paper and pencil. —Emily Jones

Safe Sports Award

Mountain Ridge has received the National Athletic Trainers Association Safe Sports Award. This program recognizes high schools that keep young athletes safe, and provide them with the best care and injury prevention. Our assigned PIVOT Athletic Trainer Kennedy Logsdon said, "Mountain Ridge is honored to receive this first team recognition from NATA. We will remain committed to keeping our student athletes safe during physical education, classes, team practices, and games so they can accomplish their own goals of great competition and good health."—Shyanne Foutz



Gold Rush

On Thursday, March 29, 2018, Mountain Ridge held a PBIS event called "Gold Rush" in the gymnasium. This event was held in hopes to encourage students on better attendance and behavior, which then allowed them to either watch or participate in the events. The six events students could participate in were: Separation Anxiety where they had to separate candy into different piles, Egg Color Match where the students had to put together different plastic eggs, Peter Cotton Tail where they had to use Vaseline on their noses to collect as many cotton balls as they could and put them on a pate, Hidden Candy where the students had to pick as much candy as possible from the bottom of the Easter basket filled with fake grass, Shake Your Cotton Tail where the students had to shake out plastic eggs that were tied to the participants waist, and finally, Peeps in he Nest where the students had to stand at both red lines and toss peeps into the basket, which the other player was holding. In between these games there were drawing for students who had received positive referrals and haven't missed more than one day of school. The prizes for the winners of the events were a shirt with "Mountain Ridge" on it, two stickers for your car, and a Mountain Ridge magnet, and the winners of the attendance and positive referrals received gift cards.— Kailia Pua'auli



Academics!

English

Mrs. McGee's college speech students have delivered their first speech. She would like to congratulate all students for their hard work, honesty, humor and courage! —Marissa Kady

Entertaining with Food

Mrs. Hankinsons Entertaining with Food classes cooked an Easter dinner to celebrate before Easter break. The dinner was prepared on March 27 and served on March 28. The students in the classes work together in groups to prepare their meals. Each group is assigned a specific course to make; main dish, side dish, or dessert. When the dinner was over students could take the leftovers to a teacher if they wish to. — Emily Jones



Biomedical Science

The Senior members of the Project Lead the Way Biomedical Sciences Program were recognized in a White Coat Ceremony on Monday, March 26. The Seniors recognized were Alexie Arnold, Adam Brode, Jeffrey Chen, Kayla Crowe, Kiana Daniels, Kaitlyn Derham, Olivia Fabbri, Katelyn Felker, Caleb Garner, Morgan Kenney, Kaylee Miller, Mayce Sloan, and Brett Thomas. — Shyanne Foutz

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