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HOME OF THE HEAT

THE MHP CLASS OF 2025 ENJOY MAGICAL TRIP TO DISNEYLAND!

The Madison Highland Prep Class of 2025 recently embarked on a memorable senior trip to Disneyland! On this special day, the graduating class immersed themselves in the magic of Disney, creating unforgettable memories with friends and classmates. From thrilling rides to iconic attractions, our seniors experienced the full spectrum of Disney fun.

The day was filled with laughter, excitement, and joy as the seniors explored the park together, taking in the sights and sounds of Disney classics. Whether

it was savoring delicious churros, posing for photos with beloved characters, or enjoying the exhilarating thrill rides, every moment was cherished.

As graduation approaches, the Class of 2025 can look back on this trip as a highlight of their final year together. Their memories will undoubtedly be treasured for years to come, serving as a reminder of the incredible journey they've shared as a class. We wish our seniors all the best and celebrate the achievements and friendships they have formed.



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Message from the Principal

Dear MHP Families,

As we approach the last few weeks of the 2024-2025 school year, Madison Highland Prep students will update their four-year academic plans, register for 2025-2026 courses, and tackle Advanced Placement exams. MHP's education team is counting on its families to continue to support their students by ensuring that students attend school well rested, with proper nutrition, and homework completed.

April and May are busy months at MHP. Heat Softball, Baseball, Boys Volleyball, and Track & Field will finish out their spring seasons. Seniors went to Disneyland on their senior trip and are gearing up to participate in CPR training on April 25th.

Drama Club is putting together a talent show for students on May 8th, and juniors and seniors are gearing up for Prom on April 26th. End of the year festivities include our End of Year BBQ where Kona Ice and Wetzel Pretzel's will be on hand May 2nd, Senior Sunset on May 15th, our Annual Academic Awards Banquet on May 20th, Senior Sendoff on May 21st, and Commencement on May 22nd.

It is my hope that all our students will have an opportunity to participate in one or more of the student activities between now and the end of the school year. On behalf of the entire MHP education team, I wish to extend our thanks for the kindness and support shown by our families and learning community.

Yours Truly,

Rosana Rodriguez • Principal



School Calendar

APRIL 2025

4/1 AzSci (11th) & ACT Aspire (9th) Testing
4/5 MHP 1st Annual Cornhole Tournament
4/15 Parent Workshop: Transition to College
4/26 Prom
4/29 Highland Prep Academies Science Fair

5/1
5/2
5/8
5/22
5/23

MAY 2025

Spring Band & Choir Concert
End of Year BBQ
Talent Show
Graduation
Last Day of School

SUMMER SCHOOL & SUMMER CAMPS 2025

6/2-6/26 Summer School-Session 1
6/2-6/26 Future Freshmen Academy-Session 1
7/7-7/24 Summer School-Session 2
7/7-7/24 Future Freshmen Academy-Session 1
7/7-7/17 Heat Football Camp

7/7-7/10 Heat Aerial Drones Camp
7/7-7/24 Heat Men's Soccer Camp
7/14-7/23 Heat VEX Robotics Camp
7/14-7/17 Heat Women's Flag Football Camp
Visit madisonhighlandprep.com for more!

ACADEMIC BULLETIN



SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: SAGE SCHAFFER

We are proud to highlight senior, Sage Schaffer who has been admitted to the United States Naval Academy, Cornell Univer-

sity, Rice University, Georgia Tech, and the University of Michigan. She was also accepted into the National Security Language Initiative for Youth program to study Russian, further demonstrating her commitment to linguistic expertise and global understanding. During her two years at Madison Highland Prep, Sage was an active member of Aerial Drone Racing, Mathletes, and her newly found club, Olympiad. As for her studies, Sage would like to pursue a degree in Aerospace Engineering. With her passion for space exploration and dedication to academic excellence, Sage Schaffer is truly charting a course for a bright future.



YALE UNIVERSITY PRESENTATION

Our juniors had the opportunity to engage with a current Yale University student, gaining valuable insights and tips into his personal journey. Through an interactive discussion, our students learned about the Yale admissions process, financial aid opportunities, and extracurriculars.

EXTRACURRICULAR

SCHEDULE:

MONDAY 7:30 AM

NHS, MRS. WATSON

MONDAY 2:30-3:30 PM

VEX ROBOTICS, B117

ANIME CLUB, B222

ART CLUB, B211

PEP BAND, B111

SPEECH & DEBATE, B215

STUDENT COUNCIL, E114

MONDAY 3:30-4:30 PM

AERIAL DRONE RACING, B202

CREATIVE WRITING, B215

TUESDAY 2:30-3:30 PM

VEX ROBOTICS, B117

DRAMA CLUB, B116

MATHLETES, B206

SERVICE CLUB, MS. SCHWINDT

YEARBOOK, B222

TUESDAY 3:30-4:30 PM

SEAPERCH, B113

THURSDAY 2:30-3:30 PM

VEX ROBOTICS, B117

MATHLETES, B206

DRAMA CLUB, B116

CINEMA SOCIETY, E115

PERFORMANCE CHOIR, B111

EPICS ENGINEERING, B205

THURSDAY 3:30-4:30 PM

ESPORTS, B222

MHP NEWSPAPER, B220

EPICS ENGINEERING, B205

CHESS CLUB, B216

FRIDAY 2:30-3:30 PM

VEX ROBOTICS, B117

BOARD GAME CLUB, B206

GSA, B208

STUDENT COUNCIL, E114

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS, B116

FRIDAY 3:30-4:30 PM

GARDENING CLUB, B205

SPANISH CLUB, B114

PING PONG CLUB, B211

STEM DIGEST

MHP SEAPERCH TEAM MAKES WAVES WITH 3RD PLACE WIN

Our MHP SeaPerch team, the “Sea Monkeys,” recently achieved a notable milestone by taking third place in the Environmental Monitoring: Coral Restoration course at the SeaPerch Underwater Robotics Regional Arizona Championship. This achievement showcases their exceptional skills in underwater robotics and dedication to innovative solutions. We’re thrilled to see their hard work pay off and we couldn’t be prouder of these students.



AEROSPACE ROCKET LAUNCHES

Our Aerospace Engineering students showcased their ingenuity and skills by launching the rockets they designed and built. They started by designing the rocket using online design software. Then, they began assembling their rocket and gluing the wings of the rocket. The last step was to test the rocket out on the field. The rocket launch was a thrilling test of the rockets’ durability, altitude, and stability, providing valuable hands-on experience and insights for the students.

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE “STOP THE BLEEDING” LAB

Our Biomedical Science students participated in an immersive “Stop the Bleeding” lab, where they simulated real-world responding to venous and arterial bleeds. Through hands-on training, they practiced the application of tourniquets and learned effective techniques to control bleeding, developing crucial skills in emergency response.



TEACHER SPOTLIGHTS OF THE MONTH



MS. FRANK

Ms. Frank teaches Advanced Visual Arts and Studio Art at Madison Highland Prep. She attended the Gallatin Division at New York University for two years before finishing her Bachelor of Fine Arts at the

School of Visual Arts, NYC. She was a recipient of the Ellen B. Stoekel Fellowship through the Yale University School of Art and Music and has attended residencies in NYC and Port of Spain, Trinidad. Ms. Frank was born and raised in Bethesda, Maryland but moved to New York City after high school. In her free time, she enjoys doing yoga, hanging out with her Australian cattle dogs, and gardening. Ms. Frank has been invited to showcase eight of her art pieces at the Snow Gallery in New York City. The exclusive exhibition will take place on Friday, April 25th.



MR. RAINBOLT

Mr. Rainbolt teaches Introduction to Engineering Design, Cybersecurity, and Civil Engineering at Madison Highland Prep. He graduated from Southeast Missouri University with a Bachelor of

Science in Secondary Physics Education. He is currently in his fifth year teaching at MHP. Mr. Rainbolt was born and raised in a small town in Southern Illinois. For the past four years, he has overseen MHP's VEX Robotics club. Outside of teaching, Mr. Rainbolt plays in a band with Mr. Godoy. Music has always been a major part of his life and it brings him a lot of joy and fulfillment. He also enjoys automotive work and gardening.

CLASSROOM CONNECTIONS



ENGINEERING STUDENTS DESIGN 3D PRINT SOLUTIONS

Our Introduction to Engineering Design students took on a cutting-edge 3D printing project, tasked with designing innovative earphone models that address existing customer issues. With creativity and problem-solving skills, students crafted unique solutions to real-world problems. Check out the 3D models designed by freshmen, Yuridia and Carly, showcasing their ingenuity!



CHICK-FIL-A FUNDRAISER

The Chick-fil-A cow mascot visited our campus the morning of our fundraiser to build up the excitement for our students and staff. We'd like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who came out to support our fundraiser!

ATHLETICS

HEAT TRACK & FIELD IS ON FIRE WITH IMPRESSIVE PR'S

Our track and field team is on fire, with athletes consistently crushing personals records including:

Richard Andres- 100 Meter 14.00, Ephraim Hercules- 200 Meter 26.26, Moises Borrallles Castro- 400 Meter 1.00, Gilbert Paz- Javelin 18.64m, Xander Ashcraft- Shotput 9.18m, Ariza Granado- 100 Meter 14.42, 200 meter 31.36, Elle Jenkins- 1600 Meter 6:09.26, 3200 Meter 13:15.86 Gillian Blundell- Shotput 6.35m, and Madison DeGuzman- Shotput 4.72m, Javelin 10.54m.



UPCOMING GAME SCHEDULE:

Baseball	4/22	3:45 PM	Phoenix Christian	A
Softball	4/22	3:45 PM	Phoenix Christian	A
Baseball	4/23	6:00 PM	Lincoln Prep	H
Softball	4/24	4:00 PM	Highland Prep	H
Boys VB	4/24	5:30 PM	Cicero Prep	A
Boys VB	4/25	5:30 PM	Highland Prep	H

ATHLETE SPOTLIGHTS OF THE MONTH



**RHETT
CLEMENS**

Junior, Rhett Clemens (#6) has been a standout force for Madison Highland Prep this season as both our all-star third baseman and ace pitcher. In just 12 games, he's delivered 19 hits and 11 RBIs, posting an incredible .613 batting average (12th in the state) and a .700 on-base percentage (15th in the state). On the base paths, Rhett has racked up 16 stolen bases, showcasing his all-around athleticism. On the mound, he's been dominant with 54 strikeouts, ranking him 22nd in the state. More than just stats, Rhett is our team captain and heart of the squad—his leadership and dedication, both on and off the field, set the standard for the program.



**GILLIAN
BLUNDELL**

Senior, Gillian Blundell is a standout athlete who has been shining brightly on the track field this season. Her impressive growth in abilities has been matched by her unwavering dedication and passion for the sport. Gillian consistently gives her all to every meet, leaving everything she has on the field. Her tireless work ethic and commitment to excellence have earned her a reputation as a reliable and formidable teammate. Coach Gauthier praises Gillian not only for her athletic abilities but also for her exceptional character. "She no doubt works extremely hard and with all of these outstanding qualities, there is nothing that can stop her," says Coach Gauthier, "It is a pleasure to work with her and she should be proud of all of her accomplishments." With her impressive recent personal records, Gillian has proven herself to be a force to be reckoned with. We're thrilled to spotlight her as one of our athletes this month.

HAPPENINGS @ MHP

OUR HEAT COMMUNITY DONATES FOR BLOOD DRIVE

We hosted another successful blood drive, thanks to the generosity of our amazing students and staff who rolled up their sleeves to donate! Every pint collected will help save lives in our community, making a tangible impact on those in need. Your selfless contributions are truly appreciated and make a real difference! We would also like to thank NHS who made this entire event possible.



EL VALLE PUEDE EVENT CELEBRATES THE CLASS OF 2025

Our seniors had an unforgettable experience at the El Valle Pude Celebration, an annual event held at the PHX Arena, home of the Phoenix Suns! This exciting event brought together graduating seniors from Arizona high schools to celebrate their achievements, explore college resources, and kick off Arizona Decision Day. With a college resource fair, special guest appearances, and a live band concert, our seniors had a great time to say the least.



AP EXAM SCHEDULE:

5/5	8AM-12PM	Biology (Hybrid)	5/14	8AM-12PM	English Lang. & Comp. (Digital)
5/7	8AM-12PM	English Lit & Comp. (Digital)	5/15	8AM-12PM	Spanish Lang. & Culture (Paper)
5/8	8AM-12PM	Statistics (Hybrid)	5/15	12PM-4PM	Computer Science Principles (Digital)
5/9	8AM-12PM	U.S. History (Digital)	5/16	8AM-12PM	Physics 1 (Hybrid)
5/13	12PM-4PM	Environmental Science (Digital)	5/16	12PM-4PM	Psychology (Digital)

**Madison Highland Prep
2024-2025 Academic Calendar**

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First Day of Quarter	Finals/Last Day of Quarter	Holiday/Break	Graduation
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First Quarter		Days 44
August	05	First Day - First Quarter
September	02	Labor Day
October	04	Last Day - First Quarter
October	07-11	Fall Break

Second Quarter		Days 46
October	14	First Day - Second Quarter
November	11	Veterans Day
November	27-29	Thanksgiving
December	20	Last Day - Second Quarter
Dec / Jan	23-03	Winter Break

Third Quarter		Days 43
January	06	First Day - Third Quarter
January	20	Martin Luther King Day
February	17	Presidents Day
March	07	Last Day - Third Quarter
March	10-14	Spring Break

Fourth Quarter		Days 49
March	17	First Day - Fourth Quarter
April	18	Spring Holiday
May	22	Graduation
May	23	Last Day - Fourth Quarter
		Instructional Days 182

School Events	
August	Parent Academy
September	Fall Open House
February	Spring Open House

Teacher Start/End Dates		
July	29	Teachers Start Date
May	30	Teachers End Date

In-service - No Students	Days
All Staff In-service	5

Early Release Days - 1:30 pm	Days
Professional Learning Community (PLC)	26
Teacher In-service/Work/Grades	4

Student Coursework Testing Days	Days
Midterms	4
Progress Reports	4
*Finals	4
*Finals/Last Day of Quarter	4

Blackout/Mandatory Attendance Dates			
Sep/Oct	30-04	March	03-07
December	16-20	May	19-23
See Student Handbook			

State Testing Dates	
Please see Assessment Calendar available on Canvas.	
MHP School Calendar will be modified to accommodate State Testing Calendar.	

Special Dates			
40th Student Day -	September	30	2024
100th Student Day -	January	17	2025

2025 Summer Camps

Aerial Drones at MHP Engineering Lab

Mon to Thu • July 7th – 10th
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The staff will focus activities on technical skills in preparation for the 2025-2026 Aerial Drones competition. No equipment will be needed.

Fee: \$75.00

Football Camp at MHP Field

Mon to Thu • July 7th – 17th
8:00 am – 11:00 am

Mon to Thu • July 21st – 24th
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

The football staff will focus activities on conditioning, offensive and defensive skills and teamwork drills. No equipment will be needed.

Fee: \$200.00

Men's Soccer at MHP Field

Mon to Thu • July 7th – 24th
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

The soccer staff will focus activities on conditioning, offensive and defensive skills, and teamwork drills. No equipment will be needed.

Fee: \$125.00

Pep Band at MHP Music Room

Mon to Thu • July 14th – 17th
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The pep band staff will focus camp activities on preparation for the 2025-2026 athletics season.

Fee: \$75.00

Men's Basketball at MHP Gym

Mon to Thu • July 21st – 24th
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

The staff will focus camp activities on drills and skills in preparation for the 2025-2026 basketball season. No equipment will be needed.

Fee: \$75.00

VEX Robotics at MHP Engineering Lab

Mon to Wed • July 14th – 24th
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The staff will focus activities on design, programming, and build skills in preparation for the 2025-2026 VEX competition game. No equipment will be needed. Fee: \$125.00

Women's Flag Football at MHP Field

Mon to Thu • July 14th – 17th
8:00 am – 11:00 am

The women's flag football camp is open to all incoming and current student-athletes.

No equipment will be needed.

Fee: \$125.00

Women's Volleyball at MHP Gym

Mon to Thu • July 21st – 24th
8:00 am – 11:00 am

The staff will focus activities on conditioning, volleyball skills, and teamwork drills. No equipment will be needed.

Fee: \$75.00

Cheer at MHP Gym

Mon to Thu • July 21st – 24th
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

The staff will focus activities on conditioning, cheer and dance skills, and teamwork drills. No equipment will be needed. Fee: \$75.00



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Registration forms available at: madisonhighlandprep.org