

MARCELLUS MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

WildCat Beat

October 2016

CALENDAR

October 5	Parent Teacher Conferences	5:00 – 8:00
October 11	Half Day	11:06
October 14	Football Homecoming	
October 18	FAFSA for Seniors and parents	
	8:50 and 9:50 am	
	High School Mini Lab	
November 4	End of First Marking Period	

Daily Schedule

7:35–7:50	Breakfast
7:50-8:46	1st period
8:50-9:46	2nd period
9:50-10:45	3rd period
10:49-11:19	HS Lunch
10:49-11:41	MS 4th period
11:23-12:15	HS 4th period
11:45-12:15	MS Lunch
12:19-1:11	5th period
1:15-2:08	6th period
2:12-3:06	7th period

Half Day Dismissal is 11:06



RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

On September 14, Marcellus Community Schools celebrated the completion of the 2014 bond project with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house. A large crowd attended the event, toured the facilities, and had the opportunity to see some of the new technology. The Marcellus Wildcat Band and the varsity cheer squad set an enthusiastic tone as students and members of the Marcellus School Board and the Committee for Community Improvement gathered together to cut the ribbon.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please plan to attend Marcellus Middle/High School Parent-Teacher Conferences from 5:00 until 8:00 pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Teachers will be available in their classrooms.

ON SALE NOW

2016-2017 Marcellus High School Yearbook	
September 19 – December 16	\$45
January 3 – End of Year	\$50



**** If you have lost or are interested in purchasing a Marcellus High School Yearbook prior to the year 2006, they will be on sale during football homecoming October 14th for \$20. Please note, not every year is available. Yearbooks 2006 to present are on sale for \$50. The yearbook committee is currently taking orders for the 2017 yearbook. If you would like to place an ad, please let them know.**



High School Lion's Club Student of the Month

Congratulations to senior, Brandon Clark, September Lions Club student of the month. Teachers comment that he has been very positive and a leader in class. His work has been exceptional and he is passionate about his calculus class. Brandon also helps tutor middle school math and is having an impressive year. Brandon is a member of the basketball, football and baseball teams. He enjoys video production and music.

Middle School Student of the Month

Congratulations to 7th grader, Shan Butas, September Middle School Student of the Month. Shan is a hard worker, asks great questions, works hard in class and always turns his work in on time. He is polite and has excellent behavior. Shan enjoys reading, skateboarding, and traveling.



CONGRATULATIONS Michael Hiscock

Michael received several first place awards during Van Buren Technology Center's EMT three day competition last spring. All students were evaluated by past and present EMS providers from across the state in many skills including individual CPR skills for adult, child and infant, oral presentation of a diabetic reaction to "a group", a 50-question written final exam, 64 individual skills needed to be an EMT, and 16 scenarios which the two-person teams had to correctly treat. Marcellus Middle/High School is proud of Michael and his representation of our school.

WELCOME EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Marcellus Middle/High School is excited to welcome fifteen exchange students from the countries of China, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Switzerland and Thailand. These students help in the education of intercultural understanding, mutual respect, and social responsibility.



HALF-DAYS

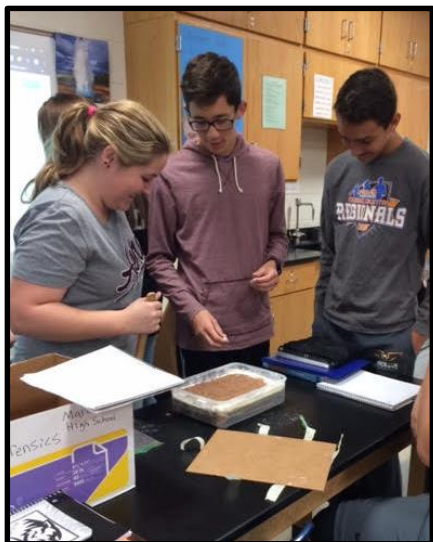
In order to provide time for curriculum and professional development, students will be dismissed half days (11:06) on the following dates: October 11, November 8, December 13, January 10, February 14, March 14, and May 9.

HOMEWORK HOUR

Homework Hour is available for students who need additional time or assistance to complete assignments. It is held 3:15-4:15 in Ms. Moe's room (102) Monday through Thursday, except on half days. Students who have missing work may also be **assigned** to Homework Hour.



McKenzie Buck and Erin Ridenour



Rose Isbell, Nolan Surach
and Andrew Pachay

MR. MCCLOSKEY'S PHYSICS CLASS

Mr. McCloskey's Physics class tests Newton's Second Law of Motion which states the acceleration of an object as produced by a net force is directly proportional to the magnitude of the net force, in the same direction as the net force, and inversely proportional to the mass of the object. Students rolled basketballs, added weight to objects, dropped marbles into cornstarch to create craters, dropped pencils, etc. to test this law of motion.



Shaun Alferink



Melissa Steinkraus, Erika DeBroka
and Kyle McKenzie

POWER SCHOOL

Parents/Guardians: Those who are interested in having access to Power School, please call or see Mrs. Smeltzer in the office to obtain a login. If you already have a login, you do not need a new one.

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION

The Middle/High School would be very appreciative if you would please send in any Boxtops for Education. When you purchase items that have the redeemable coupons, tear them off, and have your student bring them to the office, and we will do the rest! Thank you for your support!



HANDBOOK REMINDERS

Please review the handbook for important school protocol.

Cell phones are permitted in school only if they are OFF and kept in the student's locker or car. Students who violate this policy will face lunch detention for a first offense. Further violations will result in ISS. In all cases, a parent or a parent's adult delegate will be required to pick up the confiscated phone from the school office no earlier than the following day.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

SENIOR PARENTS: Time to start working on FAFSA!



As of October 1, FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) will be available three months earlier than in past years. Financial Aid awards will be based on 2015 taxes. If your income has significantly changed (think disability, job/income loss) in the past year, FAFSA does have a process in which you can request additional consideration. Here's a great resource: <http://www.nextavenue.org/new-rules-college-financial-aid-fafsa-form/>.

On Tuesday, October 18, financial aid experts from SMC will be available to help students began to familiarize themselves with the FAFSA process. Parents/guardians are welcome to attend. Your student will be provided with times. The sooner students complete the FAFSA, the more likely they are to receive financial aid/grants/scholarships.

For information on State of Michigan aid programs, please visit: www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid.

COLLEGE NIGHT at KVCC

On Monday, October 10, at 6:00, Kalamazoo Valley Community College will host a College Night. Over 80 representatives will be there from colleges and military programs. This is a great opportunity for juniors and seniors! Prior to attending, save time and share your information with the colleges of your choice, click on the following link and complete the steps before your arrival. www.gotocollegefairs.com

For more information on the college night: <https://www.kvcc.edu/admissions/collegenight/>.

Currently scheduled college visits:

Monday, October 10, 7:50 - Grand Valley State University

Parent – Teacher Conferences

October 5

5:00 – 8:00 pm