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Malden CCSD #84

Student News and Notes

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Special points of interest:

- * Feb. 17th BVEC GBB Tournament Begins at DePue
- * Feb. 26th 1st Scholastic Bowl meet @ PCA
- * Feb. 21st- Board Meeting
- * Feb. 19th No School- President's Day
- * Feb. 29th P/T Conferences

Honor Roll Announced

Congratulations to the following students who were named to the Honor Roll; Sadie Mitchell, Spartan Foster, Ella Linker, Aidan Rossler, Matthew Bohms, Aubrey Coats, Joseph Perez, Kodi Stopka, Brady Peach, Alaya Silva, Greta Wallace.

High Honor Roll- Phinnley Hansen, Maddie Hildebrand, Max Morse, Quinn Peach, Joel Salazar, Makayla McCarty, Susanna Bohms, Lane Goskusky, Haleigh Linker, Jameson Morse, Carter Rossler.

Speech Contest

Bradford Jr. High will host the 2024 BVEC Speech Contest on March 2nd. Malden students planning on participating include: Matthew B., Makayla M., Susanna B., Haleigh L., Jameson M., Greta W., Alaya, Ella L., Lily D., Quinn P., Max M., and Phinnley H. The students have been working very hard with Ms. Dye to polish their performances.

Remote Learning

Unfortunately, we have used all 5 Remote Learning days. We will be reviewing the program and welcome parent feedback. Please email mpatterson@maldenschool.org with your thoughts.



Girls Basketball Off to a Great Start

The 7th and 8th Grade basketball teams are off to a great start. The 7th grade team is currently at the top of the conference standings. The 8th grade team has lost two games and is in 2nd place in conference.

Coach Jones and Coach Anna Mallery-Sondgeroth have been working hard to teach the girls fundamentals and some complex basketball concepts. The BVEC tournament will begin February 17th at DePue.

Guidance Counselor at MGS

The Malden School Board has hired a part time Guidance Counselor to meet with students in need. Teachers and parents can refer children. Please contact Mr. Patterson to seek additional information.

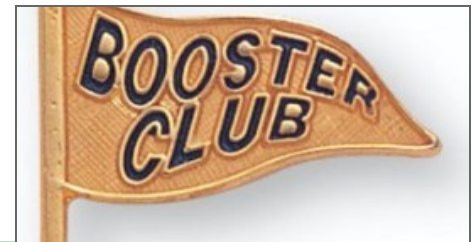
Booster Club Information

The next Booster Club Meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 6h at 7:00 p.m. in the library. We will update everyone on the spring field trips. Nominations for officers will be addressed at this meeting and then they will be installed at the April meeting. The Spring fundraiser committee will be established and/or give an update on progress for a possible Spring Fundraiser. We will also be deciding on some purchases that need to be made before the end of the school year which may include new classroom equipment, sports supplies, and other needs.

Thanks again to all that helped with the concession stand during Boys and Girls Basketball. The Booster Club would like to thank all the families that actively participate in fundraising efforts. The money raised is used for all students so we would love to see increased participation in the future. If you are interested in helping with the Booster Club, please contact an officer.

To sign up for the concession stand: check the school website for the sign up link.

Please come to the meeting on Tuesday, February 6th. Your input and ideas are valued and needed.



Scholastic Bowl Season to Begin

The Scholastic Bowl Team has begun preparation for the upcoming season. Coach Bejster hopes to build on the strong tradition that has been built at Malden. Scholastic Bowl members will be practicing nearly every morning in the library. The first match is Monday, February 26th at PCA. The Scholastic Bowl tournament will take place March 21st at Neponset.

Teacher ease App

Teacher ease now has an app for Apple devices. An Android app is soon to be released.

"The aim of education should be to teach us rather how to think, than what to think." ~ Bill Beattie

Cold Weather

Just a friendly reminder that students will be going outside for lunch recess. Please send you child to school with gloves and hats.

Donate Your Glasses

The Malden Lions Club collects discarded eye glasses to be reused. Glasses can be turned into the box outside Brenda's office. Thank you for helping support the Lions Club mission to assist those who struggle with sight.

Cell Phone Reminder

Just a friendly reminder that no student is allowed to bring a cell phone to school, while participating in, or attending an extra curricular event. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Patterson.

Kindergarten Reg.

Kindergarten Registration will be held on Feb. 20, 21, and 22 in the Malden School Office between 8:30a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Children must be 5 years old before September 1, 2024. Please bring a copy of your child's certified birth certificate. Health and dental forms will be handed out during registration. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school office. 815-643-2436.

Important Items to Note:

With the school year in full swing there are many activities on the horizon:

- If you were surprised by any of your students grades, please take the time to sign up for Teacher Ease which will allow you to check grades for all of your child's assignments. Contact the office for information. 643-2436
- Next Board Mtg. February 21st
- No School February 19th
- BVEC Girls BB Tournament @ DePue starting Feb. 17th
- Speech Contest– March 2nd at Bradford
- Sports Photos– March 1st
- Parent/Teacher Conferences February 29th
- First Scholastic Bowl Meet at PCA. Feb. 26th
- 8th Grade Graduation May 24th 7 p.m.

PHS 8th Grade Visit

Its hard to believe but it is time for the 8th graders to start thinking about next year. On January 18th, all the 8th grade students visited the school for information about their freshmen year. PHS helped students sign up for classes on Jan. 31st. Students will be able to tour the school during the Freshmen Orientation this summer.

Remind

BCR Alerts is no longer a functioning option for school-wide communications. Malden GS will use the Remind notification system. To sign up for Remind messages– please text @mgscom to the number 81010.

5essentials Survey

Parents can complete a school survey. The survey can be found at survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/

We value your opinion and use the information provided to help us make changes and improvements to our school.

Homework Online

Junior High homework assignments will be posted every day by 3:15 on the school website. Please email teachers if you have questions about your child's grades or assignment.

District Finance Update

Malden CCSD #84 remains in a very strong financial situation. Our district has adequate reserves to withstand unexpected expenses and increased costs due to inflation. In the last audit the district received the highest financial rating the state issues. The rating is based on cash on hand, amount the district has borrowed, and a balanced budget.

Security Cameras have been added to both the exterior and interior of the building. While on MGS property, visitors and students will be under video surveillance. Cameras were added to increase student and staff safety.

There's More

See what is attached

1. Monthly Calendar
2. Scholastic Bowl Schedule
3. After-School Program Information