



Malden Musketeer News

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Student News and Notes

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Special points of interest:

- * Feb. 15th BVEC GBB Tournament Begins at LaMoille.
- * Feb. 25th 1st Scholastic Bowl meet @ PCA
- * Feb. 19th- Board Meeting
- * Feb. 17th No School- President's Day
- * Feb. 27th P/T Conferences

Honor Roll Announced

Congratulations to the following students who were named to the Honor Roll;

Dexter Bankes, Isabella Baraza, Phinnley Hansen, Madilyn Hildebrand, Quinnlyn Peach, Nikolai Pierson, Joel Salazar, Lillian Drake, Aidan Rossler, Krishlyn Latham.

High Honor Roll-

John Lower, Layla Stinar, Spartan Foster, Ella Linker, Matthew Bohms, Aubrey Coats, Makayla McCarty, Joeseeph Perez, Kodi Stopka

63% of our student made Honor Roll.

Speech Contest

Bureau Valley Jr. High will host the 2025 BVEC Speech Contest on March 15th. Malden students planning on participating include: Matthew, Makayla, Aubrey, Krishlyn, Spartan, Ella, Lily, Quinn, Emily, Sadie, Max, Phinnley, and Dexter. The students have been working very hard with Ms. Dye to polish their performances.

Open Positions

Malden Grade School is seeking applicants for an Elementary Teacher and a Pre-school Teacher. We are looking for a good candidate to split one of our combined elementary classes.



Girls Basketball Off to a Great Start

The 8th Grade basketball team are off to a great start. The 8th grade team has lost one game and is in 1st place in conference. Due to low numbers, the 7th grade team has participated in scrimmage games this year.

Coach Nichols and Coach Nick Peach have been working hard to teach the girls fundamentals and some complex basketball concepts. The BVEC tournament will begin February 15th at LaMoille

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. 4th 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. An update on the Spring Quarter Auction will be provided.

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 4th. Your input and ideas are valued and needed.



Scholastic Bowl Season to Begin

The Scholastic Bowl Team will soon be preparing for the upcoming season. New Coach Nichols 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 25th vs. PCA. The Scholastic Bowl tournament will take place March 20th at Malden.

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

Jr. High Grades

Congratulations to all the Jr. High students. We did not have a single failing grade in the 2nd nine weeks. This is the first time since I have been principal this has happened. Keep up the great work.

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. 19, 20, and 21 in the Malden School Office between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Children must be 5 years old before September 1, 2025. 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 19th
- No School February 17th
- BVEC Girls BB Tournament @ LaMoille starting Feb. 15th
- Speech Contest– March 15th at Bureau Valley
- Sports Photos– February 28th
- Parent/Teacher Conferences February 27th
- First Scholastic Bowl Meet with PCA. Feb. 25th

PHS 8th Grade Visit

Its hard to believe but it is time for the 8th graders to start thinking about next year. On January 22nd, all the 8th grade students visited the school for information about their freshmen year. PHS will help students sign up for classes on Feb. 4th 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 @mgscm 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/](https://survey.5essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/)

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

Skating

Mr. Lennon is excited about his first opportunity to supervise PE skating. Skating will be on February 10th and conclude on February 21st. Thank you to the Booster Club for partially funding this program and thank you Mr. Lennon for his efforts organizing all the skate orders.

Logan/Malden Wrestling P/T Conferences

Good Luck to our four boys who are participating on the Logan/Malden wrestling team. Aidan Rossler, Matthew Bohms, Spartan Foster, and John Lower. This is the first year of the wrestling cooperative with Logan Jr. High.

Malden Grade School will host Parent/Teacher Conferences on February 27th from 1 p.m.-7 p.m. Elementary teachers will schedule by appointments while the Jr. High will be on a “drop in” basis. K-4 parents please look for a sign up form coming home soon.

There's More

See what is attached

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