



Sunday, October 11, 2020

Dear Students,

It has been fun to see so many of you on campus! We miss those who are not here, but we are committed to keeping you connected.

Looking ahead, Term 2 will begin on **Monday, October 19th**. With Term 2 you will switch to your new courses, and we will begin Hybrid Learning with some students learning online and some students learning on campus. All students will have the same access to class time and to their teachers.

On Campus Learners - Most day students will be returning to campus, and our in-resident boarding students will be attending classes in our classrooms. These Academic classes will take place in the afternoon between 1:00-3:00 pm, with class times staggered for safe travel in and around campus. Athletics and recreational activities will take place between 4:00-5:30 pm. Specific information about your athletic activities will be sent in a different letter. We will continue to have ensembles at the same time and each class will have new Horizons times and days for class group meetings, many of which take place in the morning.

Online Learners - We have a number of students who will be learning online during Term 2. These academic classes will be from 8:15am-9:45am EST. Wednesday Horizons, Ensembles, Community and advisor meetings will continue to be at the same times and accessible to students in different time zones.

There will be a learning curve as everyone adjusts to a new schedule and courses. Advisors will provide you with a schedule template and guide you in filling in your personal schedule, determining how the use of time might work for each of you during the next 5 week term.

As shared in the Community Meeting, today begins a week-long observance of International Day of the Girl & it's also National Coming Out Day today! In observance of National Coming Out Day-Spectrum (LGBTQIA) will hold an affinity meeting open *only* to members of the LGBTQIA community. Please note that the "Q" which stands for folx who are questioning are welcome to join the space! For allies the best way to support our classmates, friends and family members

This Week:

Please refer to the attached schedule to understand all that is happening.

- **Advisor Meetings** on Wednesday October 14th at 10:00 am EST. Your advisor will send you the link.
- **Community Meeting** on Wednesday October 14th at 10:30 am EST. Zoom link: <https://misshalls.zoom.us/j/91206923323>
- **Spectrum (LGBTQIA) affinity group** will meet on Wednesday, October 14th at 8:00pm EST. Zoom link: <https://misshalls.zoom.us/j/92227778352?pwd=M2VqUnNQYmw5QUUpDL2pqbdDN6U2hEZz09>
- **Dance Party** with Ms. Jordan on Monday and Thursday
Zoom link: [https://misshalls.zoom.us/j/93974715607%20\(Passcode:%20MHS\)#success](https://misshalls.zoom.us/j/93974715607%20(Passcode:%20MHS)#success)
- **Day Student Orientation This Week!**
These sessions are required! In order to prepare for coming to campus for Term 2 beginning October 19th, all day students must attend one of two sessions to learn about our safety protocols and community expectations. Please see an email from Ms. Jordan. It will include sign ups and zoom links.
You may choose one of two sessions:
Thursday, October 15th at 10:00 am
Friday, October 16th at 5:00 pm
In addition, all day students are also required to attend an in-person orientation with a tour of spaces on Monday, October 19th.
- **No Academic Classes on Friday, October 16th.** However, you might have coursework that is due on Friday!

We want to give you a reminder that students and families can apply for the Community Action Fund to support financial hardships due to Covid19. Find information and directions for applying here:

<https://www.misshalls.org/stories/community-action-fund-student-support-covid-19>

Some examples of how funds may be used:

- Shipping costs
- Books
- Required Covid19 testing prior to returning to school

A few shout outs:

- Thank you to members of Spectrum for the presentation at the Community Meeting last Wednesday!
- In the next few weeks many students will be returning and some will be arriving for the first time to our campus. We will have many opportunities for you to acclimate to the spaces and new routines that are in place for safety. In the meantime, if you would like a visual reminder of our spaces and students you can view our Admissions Tour of Campus!

<https://vimeo.com/434718594>

Affinity Group Sign Up

If you haven't done so already, please visit the PowerSchool Student Resource [page](#) to sign up for Affinity Spaces. Need a reminder of what affinity spaces are click [here](#)!

To Dos for all students:

- Check your MHS email frequently!
- Please review the important [Community Expectations in Common Spaces](#)

Take care,

Dean Alberti, Dean Higuera, Dean Lima-Jones
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MHS Student Calendar- Term 1
Week of October 11th - October 17th

All times are Eastern Standard Time

EST	Sunday October 11	Monday October 12	Tuesday October 13	Wednesday October 14	Thursday October 15	Friday October 16	Saturday October 17
Morning		8:15-9:45 A Block Classes 10:00 - 11:30 (Everyone) - JJ Theater Ensemble Vocal Ensemble 10:00 College Visit: Florida Institute of Technology 11:00 College Visit: Maryland Institute College of Art	8:15-9:45 am C Block Classes 10:00 Chamber Ensemble Jazz Ensemble 10:00 College Visits: Western New England Univ. & Bard College 11:00 College Visit: Lasell University	7:30 am Senior Class Meeting 8:15 - 8:45am- 9th Grade Class Meeting 8:45-9:45 am 9th Grade Horizons 8:15- 9:00 am 10th Grade Class Meeting 8:15-10am Horizons- 11th & 12th Grade Cohort Specific 9:15 - 10 am 10th Grade Horizons 10:00 am Advisor Meetings 10:30 am Community Meeting 11:15 am Grace Notes 11:15 College Visit: Saint Michael's College	8:15-9:45 am A Block Classes 10:00 am Jazz Ensemble Vocal Ensemble 10:00 College Visits: Providence College & Suffolk University 10:00 Day Student Orientation Session #1 11:00 College Visit: Adelphi University	NO CLASSES or ENSEMBLES 10:00 College Visit: Rhode Island School of Design 11:00 College Visit: Dickinson College	
Afternoon		1-3 pm Horizons -	1-3 pm Horizons -		4:00 pm	5:00 pm	

		12th Grade cohort specific 4:00 pm Dance Party	11th & 12th combined grade cohort specific 4:00 pm Boatcamp Canceled 4:20 pm Day Proctor Meeting		Dance Party	Day Student Orientation Session #2	
Evening	7:00 pm Proctor Meeting	7:00 pm Proctor Meeting with Ms. Gentile		8:00 pm LGBTQIA+ Affinity Group	7:00 PM Student Council		