

April 29th - May 3rd

Dear Maranacook Faculty and Families,

Don't forget our Prom is this Saturday from 7-10 at the Barn at Silver Oaks in Winthrop. A big thank you to the Health Advisory Committee for putting on "Prom Week" this week in the lobby during lunch time. Each day featured a different theme and they brought education this week on topics ranging from skin care to consent to safe driving. Thank you to Becca Reynolds, Anya Davidson, Laura Ireland, Kusha Kane, Sophie O'Clair, Katie Ide, John McLaughlin, Carter McPhedran, Vita Scott, Dana Reynolds, Madelyn Dwyer and Grace Despres for all their efforts this week.

Guidance: We have a new face in the guidance office for the remainder of the year - Renee Green will be joining us as the guidance secretary through June! Renee can be contacted at by phone at extension 1025 or through email at renee_green@maranacook.com.

AP Testing begins next week - good luck to all students testing!

Sara and Kim have been hard at work on the schedule for the 2019-2020 school year. Schedules should be ready for students to view in June prior to leaving for summer break!

Health Center: We want to thank all of the people in the community and school who helped us provide information and demonstrations this week to help prepare the students for a safe prom weekend. Augusta Police department and Healthy Communities of the Capital Area provided info and demonstrated the effects of alcohol and marijuana on the brain. Maine Family Planning and the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault provided materials about consent and the school nurse was available to answer students' questions about healthy relationships. The Student Health Advisory Committee was amazing and helped coordinate the whole week, addressed gender stereotypes with a fun activity they planned, and provided information about the negative effects of tanning from the Melanoma Foundation.

Technology: More students are working with the 3-D printer. They are learning how to convert predesigned patterns so they are coded with the proper instructions for the printer. The using their converted pattern they are learning how to use the printer to insure a proper and quality product. One student has actually designed a device for a project they are working on and is now in the process of printing.

The Media Center is preparing space, workin on inventories to prepare for some construction work while still helping kids to prepare for exams and complete assignments.

In Business, Financing and Yearbook classes the seniors are winding up their assignments and preparing for finals.

English: Seniors in CP English just finished their argument unit, culminating in persuasive essays on a topic of their choosing. They are ending the year with a novel study focused on theme. This

week, juniors in the American Literature Honors course selected independent reading books with teenage protagonists. They will use their reading as a comparison to their reading of *Catcher in the Rye* to consider how teenagers have been (and should be) depicted in literature.

10th grade students are working on research papers on a topic of their choice. Students have put in a lot of thought, and are choosing topics that they are passionate about. I've very excited to see the end results! Seniors are exploring the "This I Believe" series, and will be writing their own "This I Believe" essay modeled after an essay of their choice.

Science: Earth Systems students are investigating how differences in density along with gravity cause materials to move in Earth Systems. They are applying the ideas to how plates move and interact. Ask your student how a lava lamp works.

In Chemistry this week students investigated patterns of dissolving as we began our unit study of solutions. We then applied the information from the experiment to everyday phenomena such as why permanent marker will not dissolve in water but will in alcohol. Also, all Chemistry classes completed their summative assessment for the gas unit.

Social Studies: The second semester of Global Studies has been dedicated to civics and government. Freshmen have been learning about the three branches of government; legislative, executive, and judicial, here in the United States, as well as the checks and balances of power between them. This week Global Studies students are finishing projects that compare the United States system of government with other governments around the world. This foundation in civics and government will help students in their US History class which they will take in their Junior year, and it will help them become more informed citizens when they graduate.

Industrial Arts: Intro to IA- Students finished wood and now into foundry using casting. Making foam patterns using the CNC router for aluminum casting projects.

Boatbuilding- Students finishing paddles and trimming out two canoes for gunwales and thwarts.

Honors Wood Design- Students are designing a multitude of projects. Everything from a wedding arbor to functional designs to small boxes.

Fine Metals- Students are working on a unit with a marriage of metals to fabricate work with copper and silver.

Wood Design- Finishing up Shaker tables.

Engineering and Design- Pulled the part off from a piece of machinery on the dust shield, to use math and engineering to reverse engineer pieces to make a more effective shield design out of wood and plastic.

Visual Art: Ceramics students are critiquing and grading the Chawan tea bowls that they have made from the semester. Photos below:



Senate:Sustainability Com: We have been working on planning a mural to put in the History/English hallway. Thinking about starting to work in the garden because it is starting to get warm.

Student Voice:In Student Voice, we have been drafting a dance contract to make dances more comfortable for everyone. We have been reviewing a dress code policy from another school and editing it to fit our school.

School Spirit: Over the past month, the school spirit committee has spent their time reflecting on winter carnival. We sent out a survey recently asking for student feedback and concerns on the past winter carnival. Overall, the feedback was positive! We are pleased with this and hope to build off of the feedback we received to make next year's winter carnival even better than this year!

Outreach: We just finished up our Egg Hunt and are now reviewing our events from this year. We are also planning for next year and brainstorming some new ideas!

Health Center Advisory: The Health Advisory Committee is planning prom week (April 29-May 3). We will be educating the student body during lunch time each day of the week on a different health topic related to prom. Topics include consent, safe driving, safe tanning and more.

Athletics:

Monday, April 29th	Baseball lost to Lawrence 6-5 Softball Won over Lawrence 18-6 Boys Tennis lost to Gardiner 4-1 Girls Tennis Won over Gardiner 3-2
Tuesday, April 30rd	Baseball Won over Leavitt 10-2 Softball Won over Leavitt 16-5 Track was at Lewiston
Wednesday, May 1st	Girls Lacrosse Won over Bangor 8-4
Thursday, May 2nd	Girls TEnnis lost to Waterville 2-3
Friday, May 3rd	No Events
Saturday, April 4th	JV Baseball will play Cony home at 10am JV Softball will play Cony home at 10am

Upcoming Events:

5/4 Prom 6-10 at the Barn at Silver Oaks Estate
5/6-5/16 AP Testing

5/6 Grade Check
5/7 Early Release
5/9 Field Trip Hadlock Field
5/9 Leadership Team Meeting
5/14 Staff Meeting
5/15 Late Start Advisor
5/16 Leadership Team Meeting
5/16-5/17 Model UN Conference Field Trip
5/16-5/18 All State Music Festival Orono

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