

## **MHS E-Newsletter October 20, 2024**

**Seniors - Get Ready for the FAFSA!** - The FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid – will open December 1, 2024 for Seniors. The FAFSA determines eligibility for federal grants, loans and work study to help pay for college. Before students and parents can complete the FAFSA, they must have created their FSA ID. To "Get Ready" for the FAFSA, we are holding a workshop on October 24th to help students and parents create their FSA ID. Anytime between 6pm and 7:30pm, come to the MHS Media Center for assistance.

**Hurricane Relief Supply Drive** - Please join us in helping our community after Hurricane Helene! Manatee High has the opportunity to partner with a Manatee alumni owned business, The Market Boutique, to assist with relief donations specifically for our AMI and Cortez Village residents. Students can bring supply donations to their 5th period class.

**Homecoming 2024 - Week of October 28** - Homecoming 2024 activities, including the dance, have been rescheduled for the week of October 28th. This year's theme is "Game On!". There will be dress up days and other activities all during that week. This week, students will be able to see all details in their "Class of" Schoology groups. The Homecoming Dance is Saturday, November 2nd. Tickets on sale October 22nd-October 31st. See Mrs. O'Leary in Room 239 with any questions.

**Class of 2025 News** - There will be an assembly for seniors on October 25th during 4<sup>th</sup> period. Seniors will get information about graduation caps and gown ordering and other senior class activities. The Seniors page of the MHS website has details/payment links for Senior Fee and Grad Bash. Contact Ms. Boler, Senior Class Sponsor, if you have any questions. Graduation is May 17th at 8pm - no tickets are required.

**Buy Your Yearbook Now** - Yearbooks are on sale now for \$65. The price will go up soon, so order your now. Go to <https://www.yearbookforever.com/> to place your order. Questions? Contact Mr. Gilbert.

**Take Stock in Children Scholarship Opportunity** - Take Stock Manatee is now accepting applications for their scholarships. They are looking for students in 9th, 10th or 11th grade, who have a 2.5 GPA or higher, have good school attendance, no referrals and have a desire to further their education beyond high school. Students/families must also meet the financial requirements and other criteria. This is a wonderful opportunity for students! In addition to a scholarship, students selected have a mentor who meets with them regularly to help students stay on track. [Click here](#) for more information about the program and how to apply.

**Out of Field Teachers** - Each year, the state requires schools to notify parents of teachers who are assigned duties out of the field in which they are certified. Learn more here.

### **Important Dates**

- October 24th - "Get Ready" FAFSA Workshop for seniors/families
- October 25th - Senior Assembly - 4th period