## **MARAUDER MASK**

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### Principal's Message

Good Afternoon, Marauders.

I hope you all enjoyed your break last week. With the conclusion of this week, we have just two more weeks before we close down for Winter Break. There will be no school, and the office will be closed, December 16th - January 2nd. School will resume on Wednesday, January 3rd.

We have seen an uptick in absences due to illness. Students and staff must be fever free for 24 hours, without medication, before returning to school/work. We recommend that anyone experiencing COVID sypmtoms (cough, fever, etc.) take a COVID test - free tests are available in the front office. Stay well, Marauders!

The Sapphire Sound made history at Champs on November 18th. For the first time in school history, they placed in the top 3 in division 6A. The Sapphire Sound earned Bronze medals as they placed 3rd. This is a huge accomplishment and we are so proud! Congrats, Sapphire Sound - you all work so hard and represent Mira Mesa High School with such pride and excellence. Mrs. C., you are absolutely incredible and we are so fortunate to have you leading our band. Thank you for all you do, seen and unseen. Congrats, again, Sapphire Sound!

Tonight, Boys Basketball is hosting a special Friday Night triple header vs. Point Loma High School. In addition to watching our Marauders compete, you will have an opportunity to watch the Middle School Athletes from Challenger and Wangenheim compete (between our games). This is sure to be an exciting evening. We hope you will join us. Freshmen play at 4:30, JV plays at 6, and Varsity will play at 7:30. Tickets are \$5, and will be sold at the door. Admission is FREE to MMHS students with an ASB sticker AND Challenger and Wangenheim students with an ID card.

There is an M6 Session tomorrow morning. If your student needs to clear tardies/absences or needs support, please encourage them to <u>sign-up</u> and attend.

Thank you. Principal Sabins



DECEMBER 1ST, 2023

#### MASB PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### HELLO MARAUDERS AND PARENTS,

Thank you to everyone who submitted letters for our LETTERS FOR TROOPS event! We received hundreds of letters and the letters are scheduled to be sent out to the troops this holiday season!

Our blood drive is THIS MONDAY, if you have signed up for this event, make sure to head to the media center when your appointment takes place. Seniors will receive a red RED CORD if this is their second blood drive later this year, so keep an eye out for more information!

Our Mira Mesa BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM has a home game today at 7 PM! During half-time, the team has invited CHALLENGER Middle and WANGENHEIM Middle to play against each other, it's the first time we are doing this and we are excited to continue this tradition!

HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK is next week! Show your spirit and dress up for Ugly Sweater Monday, White Out Tuesday, Festive Color Wednesday (RED, GREENS, BLUES, ETC...), Holiday Gear Thursday, and Holiday PJs Friday!

Regards, Koda Keopithoune and Indra Sai, your MASB Presidents

## FUNDRADIERS & EVENTS









## Counseling News

#### **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Counselors met with juniors in their English classes Tuesday to review graduation requirements and what classes they can select for their senior year. We will now start meeting with our 9th-11th grades students individually over the next few weeks to discuss their graduation progress, plans after they graduate, and their course selections. They received a signature form that the student and their parent/guardian need to sign regarding their course selection. They will bring these forms with them when they meet with their counselor. They also have a Google Form to submit, and they need to input their class in their PowerSchool Student Portal under Class Registration. Here are the links to the slide decks:

Class of 2025 // Class of 2026 // Class of 2027

Here are the Signature Forms:

Class of 2025 // Class of 2026 // Class of 2027

Here are the Google Forms:

Class of 2025 // Class of 2026 //

#### LETTERS OF REC

Senior who are applying to private universities with a January 1st application deadline need to request their letters of recommendation from MMHS staff members by Monday, December 4th to give staff members the 10 school days prior notice we strongly recommend. They also need to fill out a Brag Sheet they can find under Assignments in Xello.

#### **COLLEGE CLASSES**

Students taking a college class 2nd semester may have documents to sign or submit. Miramar is starting to email students and parents/guardians if they have items to complete. These emails will come from Miramar or Jeffrey Thomas and will be sent to the email address students used on their Miramar application. Students who are taking a college class and never submitted a Miramar application, can click <a href="here">here</a> to find the steps to apply. Contact Mrs. Morales at <a href="mailto:jmorales4@sandi.net">jmorales4@sandi.net</a> or Mrs. Blum at <a href="mailto:mblum@sandi.net">mblum@sandi.net</a> if you have questions about our college program.

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<u>Virtual</u> <u>Counseling Center</u>

# FINANCIAL AID NIGHT FOR SENIORS

LEARN ABOUT FAFSA, DREAM ACT, AND RESOURCES TO HELP PAY FOR COLLEGE

\*\*SUBMITTING A FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION IS NOW A CA STATE LAW\*\*



DECEMBER 6 5:30 PM LIBRARY



# Cash for College Events 2023 - 2024



1/20/24 - 9:00am - 1:00pm - All County Fin Aid Blitz & Virtual
1/24/24 - 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Chula Vista High & Virtual
1/27/24 - 9:00am - 11:00am at RBVHS (Vista) & Virtual
1/31/24 - 5:00pm - 7:00pm at El Camino High & Virtual
1/31/24 - 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Valhalla High & Virtual
2/10/24 - 9:00am - 11:00am at Crawford High & Virtual
2/10/24 - 9:00am - 11:00am at Oceanside High & Virtual
2/24/24 - 9:00am - 11:00am at RBVHS (Vista) & Virtual
2/24/24 - 9:00am - 11:00am at Sweetwater High & Virtual
2/24/24 - 9:00am - 11:00am at Monte Vista High & Virtual
2/24/24 - 5:00pm - 7:00pm at Madison High & Virtual