

# MARAUDER MASK

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## Principal's Message

Hello, Marauders.

We hope you will "Save the Date" for our upcoming Fall Open House. Fall Open House will take place on Wednesday, September 28th. The evening begins at 5:30PM, in the Media Center, with our Annual Title I meeting and a brief MMHS Introduction presentation by the Admin Team. Class visitations begin at 6PM.

The class visitations allow parents/guardians to meet the teacher and hear a brief presentation on the course curriculum and expectations.

As I shared last week, we are looking closely at student attendance and will be conducting Tardy Sweeps on a regular basis. Please work with your student to ensure they arrive on campus prior to the warning bell at 8:28AM, so they have ample time to arrive at their class before period one begins at 8:35AM.

Just a reminder that our "Modified Monday" schedule returns to an "early release" this year. Starting on Monday, September 26th, on Mondays only, the school day will end at 2PM. We hope this helps you as you plan and schedule various appointments.

The website calendar was recently updated to include home athletic competitions for all fall sports. We hope you will make it out to support our amazing student athletes.

Football has their "bye-week" this week but will be hosting Scripps Ranch for the rivalry game on Saturday, September 17th. This will be another double-header with JV at 4PM and Varsity at 7PM. As always, the cheerleaders will be out in support and the Sapphire Sound will be providing incredible music. We hope to see you there for the special Saturday night game!

# Counseling News

## VIRTUAL COUNSELING CENTER (VCC)

The counseling department has a Virtual Counseling Center (VCC) with a wealth of information such as upcoming events, scholarships, a virtual calming room, and much more. Now that the dust is settling from getting over 2000 student schedules together, counselors will be busy cleaning up our VCC, but we would love you to check it out now. Visit the VCC [here](#).

## AP EXAM REGISTRATION

Students planning to take an AP exam this year must register and pay for the exams by November 7. Students can also take an AP test as "exam only" which means they are not enrolled in an AP class, but will study on their own to take an AP exam. Students in this situation need to fill out this [Google Form](#) to take an exam as exam only. Beginning later this month, students who have added their join codes in MyAP will get an invoice from Ms. Amato from the district offices. Students will take two copies of the invoice to our Finance Office to pay for their exam. If you have questions about AP testing, please contact Mrs. Blanchard at [dblanchard@sandi.net](mailto:dblanchard@sandi.net). You can also find answers to most AP registration and payment questions on the VCC [here](#).

## COLLEGE APPLICATIONS

Deadlines for college and university applications are coming up, and counselors are here to help our seniors navigate that process. Counselors will host College Night for Seniors IN PERSON September 20th at 5:30 PM in the Library. We will discuss how to apply to college, deadlines, supports our counseling department will offer, and more. We look forward to seeing you and helping you and your child with their applications.

## COLLEGE NIGHT

Counselors are also hosting College Night for Juniors, Sophomore Night, and Financial Aid Night. All of these events will be in person at 5:30 in the Library. See the fliers below for dates and details.

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# Counseling News (cont.)

## SENIOR REVIEWS

Counselors will begin our “Senior Reviews” where we will meet individually with each of our seniors to review their progress toward graduation, discuss their postsecondary plans, and how we can support them. Our goal is to have all senior reviews completed by the first week of October.

Part of our senior reviews includes meeting with our seniors who may be at risk for earning a diploma this June and their parents/guardian. Counselors will reach out to families to schedule these meetings and are hoping to have these meeting completed by September 16th.

## 504 PLAN REVIEW MEETINGS

Counselors are also scheduling 504 Plan review meetings for our students who have a 504 Plan. We plan to have all 504 Plan review meetings completed by the end of the month.

## GRADE LEVEL GOOGLE CLASSROOMS

The counseling department has created grade level Google Classrooms for all students where we share important information with our students. Students can join their Google Classrooms using the following class codes:

Class of 2026 (freshmen) nutk4eq

Class of 2025 (sophomores) v6qzgx

Class of 2024 (juniors) 6habtay

Class of 2025 (seniors) qnnn5yj

## SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

September is suicide prevention month. Being a teen now is very different than when you were a teen, and the rates of depression and anxiety, contributing factors to suicide, are extremely high. It is critical as a parent to be educated about suicide warning signs and how to support your child. Just because your teen appears to be happy does not always mean they are happy. Teens are great at masking how they are really feeling. Here is a link to Suicide is Preventable with how to spot the warning signs for suicide.



# Save the Date

San Diego Unified School District  
Mira Mesa High School

Invites you to  
**Fall Open House**  
September 28, 2022  
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - MMHS Introduction & Title I Annual Meeting, Media Center  
5:44 p.m. - Zero and 7th Period Class Visitation  
6:00 p.m. - Class Visitations

Administrative Team

Jeff Sabins, Principal  
Jason Fowler, Associate Principal (A-G)  
Brittani Reyes, Associate Principal (H-P)  
Heather Bice, Associate Principal (Q-Z)  
Ron Lardizabal, Athletic Director  
Amanda Courtney, Administrative Assistant I

Counselors

Tobias Schwartz (A-C)  
Debbie Blanchard (D-Hut)  
Megan Blum (Huy-M)  
Jessica Morales (N-R)  
Kellie Larsen (S-Tram & EL)  
Terena White, Head Counselor (Tran-Z)

Finance Office  
will be open  
4:30-6 p.m.



Period /Time Subject Teacher

0 or 7th period 5:44-5:54		
1st Period 6:00-6:10		
2nd Period 6:16-6:26		
3rd Period 6:32-6:42		
4th Period 6:48-6:58		
5th Period 7:04-7:14		
6th Period 7:20-7:30		



Bell will ring to indicate 6 minute passing period between classes  
Each class is 10 minutes

OPEN HOUSE