

School Board Report  
Mount Carmel High School  
November 13, 2017

- We would like to congratulate all our **fall sports** athletes and our marching band for excellent sportsmanship and their success. Our marching band won numerous awards during their competition season and the Boy's Golf finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the state. The winter sports season has begun!
- We had approximately 49 documented conferences for **Parent/Teacher Conferences** which is a slight increase from last year. That number is fairly low, but MCHS teachers receive many emails and phone messages throughout the school year concerning assignments, assessments, and other information from parents and students.
- **Math, Special Education, & English** – Mr. Newkirk has met with these departments individually to analyze their curricula, course offerings, and make sure the plan for the upcoming year(s) best reflects the needs of our students.
- **Transition** – We continue to work with minimal obstacles since the Jr. High “moved in.” We are still searching for another classroom and some storage space from time to time but the cooperation between the two schools has been excellent in solving any issues that come up.
- **School Improvement** – We continue to meet with our BLLC and the American Institute for Research to develop our SMART Goals. After Wednesday, there should be more concrete details to report.
- **Survey** – Mr. Newkirk sent out a survey, in conjunction with Curriculum Director Shelley Richardson, to gather input from our high school parents. I am happy to report that we received 112 replies (compared to less than 15 in the past) with a great amount of quality feedback. We are sifting through that information and will be happy to report out in December.
  
- **\*YOU WILL WANT TO PULL THIS FROM THE CONSCENT AGENDA\***  
**Girls' Soccer** – Mr. Newkirk & AD, Tyler Buss gave MCHS Soccer Coach, Ed Berberich permission to do some research & hold a meeting to gauge the interest of girls' soccer, at MCHS. At a meeting, they had approximately 32 girls show up, which would easily be enough to have a school team. Karin Kelsey is willing to do stuff on the IHSA side as far as registering us and seeing what area school have a girls' team. Ed has been told the district would not fund this program & he would have to make the schedule, etc. Even if we didn't pay him or provide a budget, there are likely expenses that would arise, i.e. referees, travel, facility rental.... Additionally, a girls' coach does not currently exist nor is it listed in the WCTA contract. We don't know if this would have to be a posted position or if we could just let Ed do it on a volunteer basis. Anyway, there are a lot of questions to be answered and steps necessary to make this a go & make sure it's done properly if it were to happen. We are asking for direction from the board before we proceed any further.

Upcoming dates:

November

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| 13 | American Education Week  |
| 14 | District meal in room 142  |
| 16 | MCHS meal in room 141  |
| 17 | School Improvement Day 3 hours early dismissal   |
| 22 | 2 hour Early Dismissal-but MCHS will be on a modified 3 hour schedule for the InterAct dodgeball activity. |