**March Counseling Update**

Happy Spring!

With the second semester well under way, now is a great time to both check Infinite Campus and with your student about how they are doing with school and any concerns they may have going on in their lives. Encourage your student to talk to teachers and make a plan for work completion. It is also a good idea for guardians to make contact directly with teachers if you believe your student to be failing a course. If you have additional concerns, you can always touch base with your student's counselor to discuss resources. The missing work deadline is this Thursday.

Many students will be traveling for activities these next few weeks. If your student is one of them, please make sure they check with their teacher(s) to stay on top of assignments!

If you have questions about anything in the update, please reach out to your student(s) Counselor.

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**Course Requests for 2023-24 for HHS**

We are wrapping up the course request process for the 23-24 school year this week. If your student has not submitted their course requests, please encourage them to enter them into Infinite Campus and return their course request worksheet to the counseling office. We will be sending passes for any student who hasn’t submitted to join us during Office Hours this Thursday in the Library Computer lab. Students with additional questions are invited to stop by during this time as well.

**SENIORS: Montana University System Honor Scholarship March 15th**

Please review the information for the Montana University System (MUS) Honor Scholarship here: [www.mus.edu/scholarships](http://www.mus.edu/scholarships)

**The application must be submitted online by March 15th.** Please encourage your student to see their Counselor for the Counselor Verification and Lori Willumsen for their transcript ASAP.

**Spring Break and Timelines**

Spring Break is a great opportunity for students to get caught up on their classes, participate in an extracurricular activity, start researching post-secondary opportunities or visit colleges while you are on vacation. This is a great time to review the Post-Secondary Timelines for Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors to make sure your student is on track for their post-secondary goals. [HHS Timelines](https://www.mcpsmt.org/Page/10039)

**ACT for Juniors April 11th**

On Tuesday, April 11th Juniors will take the ACT for free as part of a State-wide initiative. This is the first year we will all be taking the ACT online. **Students will need a school issued Chromebook, fully charged.** Please be sure that all Juniors come well fed and ready to test on-time. Testing will start right at 8:00am. Students will not be permitted to bring phones, smart watches or personal items into the testing rooms. Please plan ahead and ensure you have an ACT approved calculator to use on that day- students can make arrangements with a math teacher BEFORE the test day. If you have any questions about this day, please contact Ms. Bageant at sbageant@mcpsmt.org

**Scholarships**

If you haven’t already done so, check out the [MCPS Scholarship Website.](https://www.mcpsmt.org/Page/8768) There are numerous opportunities available over the next few months and the HHS Scholarship page will be updated as scholarships become available!

**Important Days to Remember**

**March 20th-24th- Spring Break**

**April 11th - Montana State ACT Exam (Free to all Juniors, no need to register)**

**April 14th- No school**

**May 29th - No School**

**June 3rd- Graduation**

**We work hard to make our Counseling Website a comprehensive source of information. Check it out here:** [**http://www.mcpsmt.org//Domain/334**](http://www.mcpsmt.org//Domain/334)