



“All Students Learning Well, Without the Loss of Enthusiasm for Learning”

Week At a Glance

January 28, 2019

Mission

Students, Staff, and Community Dedicated to Excellence

Vision

The Marcola School District promotes academic excellence, ethical and responsible citizenship for all its students in a safe, supportive, and enriched learning environment

What a Phenomenal weekend for our Middle and High School robotics teams. Under the superior coaching of Renee Klein and assistant Dustin DeGeorge, Mohawk qualified both a middle school and a high school team for State and National Competition!! This is truly an amazing accomplishment considering we implemented robotics a short 3 years ago! We have sent Middle School teams to State, National and World Championships in previous years, but this is the first time we've had a high school team qualify. And . . . we actually have more females than males who will be competing. One of our goals was to get more females interested in science, technology, engineering and math - it's happened! Marcola School District, in spite of being a small rural community, is offering more Career Tech Education programs of study than do most large schools 10 times our size. Our students have access to 5 complete programs of study: Agriculture, Construction, Engineering, Health Occupations and Computer Science. Students completing a sequence of courses in any one of the programs of study earn college credit and a Program of Study Completer Certification. For example, many of our Robotics students are working on completing the Computer Science certification and at the same time working on completing 1 or 2 other programs of study. Ms. Klein has expanded her coaching to include elementary students in after-school robotics. I'm confident that Mohawk will be tough competitors in all robotics competitions for years to come.

Also very proud of our basketball teams!! Our girls are now in first place in league play and our boys are climbing up the ladder rapidly. Both teams have an opportunity to play in the state tournament this year. Next year with most players returning we will have two excellent teams who can compete well with teams outside of our league. Therefore, I have scheduled the Mohawk Basketball Teams (both girls and boys) to play in the annual “Joe Floyd” basketball tournament in Kodiak, Alaska. The tournament starts on December 27th, our athletes will leave the day after Christmas. Mohawk athletes and community members will be welcomed and cared for by the Kodiak community. We are hoping to give the kids opportunities to get on a crab boat and see the magnificent and beautiful areas of Kodiak Island!! We already have housing confirmed and my wife and I will be traveling with the teams to make sure they have the best experience possible.



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The end of the first semester was January 24th. This is always a very important benchmark for students in all grades. We are a continuous improvement district and we focus on student learning as the constant and time as the variable. We may have students who have not met proficiency benchmarks halfway through the year, but most (if not all) these students have made growth and are now on the right trajectory for their goal of graduating from high school college and career ready.

Once again, I am highly recommending that parents and teachers consider reading the book, [“You Your Child and School - Navigate Your Way to the Best Education.”](#) written by Sir Ken Robinson. You may also be interested in reading this [article by Ken Robinson](#)

Every book I am recommending will also be available in the Multi-Media Center for people to check out.

A few other interesting reads to consider:

1. **Most Likely to Succeed**: by Tony Wagner and Ted Dintersmith
2. **Creating Innovators - the making of young people who will change the world**: by Tony Wagner
 - a. **What School Could Be**: - by Ted Dintersmith
3. **Culturize Every Student**: - by Jimmy Casas and Salome Thomas-EL
4. **The Innovators Mindset, Empower Learning, Unleash Talent, and Lead a culture of Creativity**: By George Couros
5. **Learn Like a Pirate, Empower Students to Collaborate, Lead, and Succeed**: by Paul Solarz

Upcoming Events:

Date	Event	Description	Time
01/28/19 Monday	Activities Schedule Admin Meeting Report Card Mtg (Staff Mtg) Travis - Accreditation	Bill’s Office STEM rm (for those who need it) Travis out for accreditation team	10:00 am 4:00 pm All Day
1/22/19 Tuesday	Activities Schedule Elementary Staff Mtg ELEOT Observation Day Travis - Accreditation	Multi-Media 30-minute observations Travis out for accreditation team	7:15 am All day All Day
1/23/19 Wednesday	Activities Schedule Elevate Lane County Mtg Local Budget Law Bill Out at 1:00 Travis - Accreditation	Bill - CTE Partnerships @ LESD Adrienne in Roseburg Dr. Appointment Travis out for accreditation team	9-11 All day 1:00 All Day
1/24/2019	Activities Schedule		



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Thursday	ELEOT Observations Historical Grades Mtg. (PS) Bill at TNW	Random Classrooms Zoom Meeting - Bill's Office Planning for 2019-20	8:00 - 10:00 10:00 am Noon - 4 pm
1/25/2019 Friday	Activities Schedule		