



SPARTAN SCROLL

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Mountain Brook Junior High School

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Principal Points



The school year is quickly coming to an end. It has been a wonderful year at MBJH. Each day, I am amazed by the work and talents of our students. Semester Exams will begin the week of May 24th. Please encourage your students to finish the school year strong.

At the beginning of the school year, I asked the students to have three goals for the school year. First, I asked them to do the best they can do in school. I asked them to take ownership and pride in their learning and education. Second, I asked them to care for one another. I asked them to remember that all of the students at MBJH are Spartans. Because we are all Spartans, we take care of one another. And lastly, I asked them to get involved with a

school activity. Please take the time to reiterate this message to your student.

I want to thank you for a wonderful year. You all have wonderful children. It is a pleasure to serve you and your students each and every day. Please stop by and see us this summer. We will be working hard to make next year a better year for your children. Remember that Spartan Pride begins at Mountain Brook Junior High School.

I hope all of you have a relaxing and peaceful summer.

Ben Hudson, Principal

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Notes from the PTO President

It is that wonderful time of year again when we are eagerly awaiting summer but swamped with all that needs to be done before school is out. In so many ways it feels like school just started but here we are ready for exams. It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as PTO President this year. Thank you for this opportunity. I have met so many new people and I've had the chance to work with some old friends. We are so fortunate to live in an area with an excellent school system but we are also fortunate to have so many people volunteer their time to make MJBH a better place for our students. This school year has been successful because of many reasons but it always comes back to the volunteers. Thanks to all those committee chairmen out there and to your committees for working so hard to make the PTO projects come to fruition. Thank you to all parents for your

continued support of our fundraisers which were so successful this year. Thank you to the Executive Board for your dedication to this school. Last but not least thank you to Mr. Hudson, the MJBH staff and to all of the teachers for your support of the PTO.

I leave you in good hands for next year. Suzanne Dickson will be the new PTO President and she is already hard at work finding volunteers. If you are interested in getting involved please contact Suzanne or a volunteer form can be accessed on the school website. We can't do it without you!

Again, it has been a great year and thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as PTO President.

Have a great summer.
Cathy Luckie



PTO Volunteer Survey Forms

This is the direct link to the PTO Volunteer Survey, <http://www.mtnbrook.k12.al.us/Page.asp?PID=32&ID=12849&test=1>. There is a link to the survey under announcements on the main page of the MJBH webpage, <http://www.mtnbrook.k12.al.us/mbjh>, as well as on the parent corner section of the MJBH webpage, <http://www.mtnbrook.k12.al.us/cms/Parent+Corner/76.html>.

Social Studies Students of the Month

Please congratulate the following individuals who have been chosen by their teachers as Social Studies Students of the month for April.

7th Grade
Manny Arguello

8th Grade
Dani Diehl

9th Grade
Isabella Keating

**UPCOMING
PTO MEETING!**
May 13



Tennis

The boys' tennis team finished the season undefeated with a perfect 14-0 record including tournaments. The boys captured the Metro Championship for the 3rd consecutive season. Team members include Andrea Orsolini, Jacob Weinacker, Reid Shows, Ben Shearer, Mac Hereford, Will Hargrove, Sam Lidakay, Warren Lightfoot, Hunter Lucas, and Alan Hale.

The girls' tennis team finished with an 8-2 league record and a 9-5 overall record and finished 3rd in the Metro Tournament. Team members include Mary Martha Grizzle, Lil Kilgore, Kaki Oberman, Katie Jackson, Mallie Given, Chamblee Shufflebarger, Frances Carson, Hannah Mouyal, Ella Carter, and Emma Fasking.



Track

The MBJH Track teams had an outstanding performance at the Metro South Championships. The girls team finished 1st behind performances of Collier Ogilvie, Rachael Reddy and Deanna Medina. The Boys finished 4th with outstanding performances By Patrick Kiem, Evan Nipper and Davis

Champions for 2010. There were so many great performances on both teams. The following team members were named to the ALL METRO SOUTH TEAM for finishing in the top 3 in their event. Collier Ogilvie finished first in the Long Jump, Shot Put, and Discus. Rachel Reddy finished first in the 800 and 1600 meter runs. Deana Medina was first in the 300 hurdles and second in the 100 hurdles. Virginia Jordan was 2nd in the High Jump Elizabeth Hymer was 3rd in the discus. Anne Pickering was 2nd in the pole vault.

4x400 relay of Francie Kenan, Julia Leonard, Hope Reamer, and Deana Medina finished 1st overall and the relay of Murray Manley, Sanders Reed, Caroline Kennedy, and Rachel Reddy were 2nd in the 4x800 relay.

On the boys team:

Swede Umbach was 2nd in the High Jump Austin Allie was 3rd in the Pole Vault Garrett Mitchell finished 3rd in the Discus The 4x800 relay team of Patrick Hauth, Stuart Hawk, Russell Galloway, and Davis Kelly are the Metro South Champions and the 4x400 relay of Gene Bromberg, Hunter Branch, Evan Nipper, and Patrick Keim are Metro South Runners up.



2010 MBJH Golf

Congratulations to the MBJH Golf Team. The team wrapped up their season last week by winning the Metro South Championship held at Limestone Springs and followed that up by winning the MBJH Invitational held at BCC. Team Members were: Mills P. Taylor E. Alex B. Buddy P. Henry A. Franklin B. Michael B. and Ethan H.



2010-2011 Spartanettes

Mary Virginia A.
Callie A.
Evalyn B.
Molly B.
Sally Kale B.
Lizzie D.
Lizzie F.
Anne Merrick H.

Carter Ann H.
Katherine H.
Turner H.
Dana K.
Claudia Rose K.
Catherine K.
Caroline L.
Mary Clark L.

Sarah Sims P.
Kelsey P.
Maggie S.
Jessica S.
Adele S.
Laura S.
Walton S.
Holly S.



Reception Honoring Dr. Melvin

The Crestline PTO is planning a reception to honor their principal, Dr. Melvin, who is resigning this year. We would like to offer past and present Crestline families to opportunity to come say good bye.

PLEASE JOIN THE COUGAR PTO
FOR A RECEPTION IN HONOR OF

Dr. Mike Melvin

18 years of service

SUNDAY, MAY 23, 2010
4:00 - 6:00 PM

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CENTER

CASUAL ATTIRE

PUNCH AND CAKE



Counselor Corner

Peer Helper applications are available on line and in the counseling office. Applications are due back to the counseling office no later than **May 11, 2010**.

Currently, there are **14 ninth grade and 10 eighth grade** Peer Helper positions. Qualities of Peer Helpers include: students who relate well with peers and teachers, who show care and concern for others, capability of tutoring peers, responsible students who have average or above average grades.

Registration Dates:

9th grade: 8/3/10 - 9:00-1:00

8th grade: 8/4/10 - 9:00-1:00

7th grade: 8/5/10 - 9:00-1:00

Makeup Registration: 8/9/10 - 9:00-1:00

Spartan Day: 8/11/10 (for 7th graders only) time TBA

Parent Open House: 8/12/10 – 6:00 p.m.



Parenting Series

The last two presentations of the *Parenting the Teenage Driver* talk will be **this Thursday evening** at 6:30 pm. In addition, if we have enough interest, I'll present it again this summer, on Monday, June 21st at 9:00 AM. This workshop runs 90 minutes.

I gave a talk in March about technology and youth and I've had some requests to repeat that one. So, we have that scheduled for Wednesday, May 12 at 9:00 a.m.

These talks will be held in the Charles Mason Building. That's the Board of Education building across from the entrance to Crestline Elementary

If you haven't already called to let us know you plan to come this Thursday evening, or want to save a seat for either of the other two presentations, you may register by calling Janice at 877-8349. Or email her at grammerj@mtnbrook.k12.al.us. Or you can use this [handy online form](#):

Thanks,

Dale Wisely



School Nurse Messages

IT'S MEDICATION ROUND UP TIME

If you have sent any "as needed" medication during the school year for your student, please come by the nursing office between now and the end of school to pick it up. Medications cannot be held at school over during the summer. Therefore, any medication not picked up by May 28th at 10:00 will be disposed of from the medicine cabinet

IMMUNIZATIONS

If you received a notice from the nursing office that your student's immunization record has expired, please update a new form and submit to the counseling office as soon as possible. Student's with expired forms will not be able to register for the 2010-2011 school year.



Band News

We would like to congratulate the concert band and jazz ensemble for earning a superior rating and best in class awards at the Music in the Parks festival in Atlanta, Georgia on April 24th. Michael Harp also received an Outstanding Jazz Soloist award for his guitar solos with the jazz ensemble.

Laura Semmes earned second chair in the prestigious Alabama High School All-State Red Band at the Alabama Bandmasters Association All-State Festival at Auburn University on April

15-17, 2010. This is a high honor for a 9th grade student since she was in competition with Contra-Alto Clarinet players from throughout the state of Alabama. Congratulations Laura!

The band spring concert will take place on Monday, May 17th at Mountain Brook High School Fine Arts Center starting at 6:00 P.M. Admission is free, and all are invited for a great evening of making music. The Jr. High Band, Elementary Band, and High School Bands will perform.



Announcements

If you are interested in Coach Camper's Mountain Brook Volleyball Clinic this summer, information can be found at www.mbatletics.org Click on Sport Camps.

Spartan Council applications will be available Monday May 3 and will be due on Tuesday May 11.

To stop receiving all email messages from Mountain Brook City School District, follow this link and confirm: <https://asp.schoolmessenger.com/mountainbrook/blockmyemail.php?s=anRpbW90aHllbGxlbkBiZWxsc291dGgubmV0>

CALENDAR DATES

Tuesday, August 3, 2010: 9:00-1:00
9th Grade Registration

Wednesday, August 4, 2010: 9:00-1:00
8th Grade Registration

Thursday, August 5, 2010: 9:00-1:00
7th Grade Registration

Monday, August 9, 2010: 9:00-1:00
Make-Up Registration

Thursday, August 12, 2010: 6:00 pm
Parent Open House

Tuesday, August 17, 2010
1st Day for Students.

Try a different kind of camp this summer

YOUTH SERVE'S SPACE IS LIMITED
SUMMER URBAN SERVICE CAMP

June 7-11 June 21-25 July 12-16

Where youth, ages 13-18, do community service, practice teamwork and learn about social change



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