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## PRINCIPAL'S MEMO:

Hello Senators,

As we head into winter break I wanted to take a moment to reflect on how fortunate I feel to be a member of this amazing community. I truly enjoy what I do and believe there is no better place for me at this time than Madison.

Our offices are closed for break, but please send me an email if you need anything during these weeks.

Please take time to check in with your child about their classes. The break is a great time to catch up. We do not want students focusing their entire break on school but getting caught up is in their best interest. The end of the semester will fly by once we return.

Also remind your child that we have an amazing school library with an incredible selection of books your students will want to read. Winter Break is a great time to read a popular novel for pure enjoyment! Our librarian, Nancy Sullivan, can provide recommendations. Encourage your kids to check out some books.

Seniors who have not completed the FAFSA should reach out to their counselor for support.

Go Senators!

-Principal Adam Skyles

### LINKS AND SITES:

Click on the following links to webpages and social media!

- Madison Website for all things Madison!
- PTSA Website
- Counseling: November Newsletter
  - FAFSA applications now open!
- College and Career website:
  - Nov. Dec. newsletter
- AVID November newsletter
- Facebook look for "PPS Madison High School"
- Athletics Schedule for 12/16 21
- Learn about weather-related school delays or cancellations or other urgent news HERE.

## HOLIDAY GIVING:

Senator community: for families who make the spirit of giving part of their holiday tradition. please consider contributing to our student groups at Madison. Many of our teams and clubs have ongoing fundraisers. You can see the complete list on our Community page on the Madison website.

Did you know you can support our PTSA by selecting them as your charity on Amazon Smile? When you shop online, choose "Madison High School PTSA" to receive .5% of your eligible purchases!

Have a safe and relaxing winter break!

## WINTER CONCERT:

Band Director **Jeremy Dell** and the Madison Band, Choir, and Drumline students invite you to the **Winter Music Concert**. Please join us this Thursday, December 19th at 7 pm. The concert will feature guest musician Ian Engelsman on marimba and the choir reunion piece!

Presale tickets available from music students for \$3 or at the door for \$5.

(Poster artwork by senior Georgia Rector!)



## **HELPFUL INFO:**

The SAT is coming up for all Juniors on March 4th. The district has switched from the ACT to the SAT this year. Free test prep options are shown on the school website under the Academics tab at this LINK.

Flex Time (Extended Learning Time) occurs twice a week during 5-day school weeks. ELT days are full school days with the final hour of the day set aside for students to get helpf rom teachers, turn in work, or make up missed exams. Please encourage your child to meet with teachers where they need additional support.

Attendance Information: Email us at madisonattend@pps.net to report your child's absence. Or, phone 503-916-5220, option 2, any day, any time. Please include your child's first and last name, student ID# if known, and the date of the absence.

## **IMPORTANT DATES:**

- December 19, Winter Music
  Concert, 7 pm in the auditorium
  - presale tickets from music students for \$3, or \$5 at the door
- December 19th 20th ELT days
- December 21st January 5
  - NO SCHOOL, winter break
- January 10 Forecasting begins
- January 11 Saturday School
- January 24th End of 1st semester!
- Finals 1/22 1/24.

Happy Holidays!

## **ROSE FESTIVAL:**

Junior and Senior girls, would you like to be Madison's princess on the Rose Festival court this year? Applications are now open (Due date is this Wed., Dec. 18, 2019)! For more information, contact Ms. Schlicht in A-4, or Ms. Hunt in the counseling office. Details and applications are on the Rose Festival website HERE. The Rose Festival Court's mission is to provide schloarships for higher education, promote community outreach and volunteerism, to mentor outstanding young women, and promote Rose Festival history and tradition.

# MODERNIZATION UPDATE:

Check out the **latest news** on our Madison Modernization project. Be sure to click on the fly-through video for a sneak peek of the new vision for Madison High School!

This **Construction Update for November** also shows new photos and completion percentages for the various stages of the project.

For more photos, check out the **time-lapse web cam!** Photos will switch throughout the day so refresh as you view.

## **ATHLETICS UPDATE:**

#### Swim Team Highlights:

Our boys 200 Freestyle relay teams took 1st and 2nd place against WIIson High School last Friday!

Team A: 1st place: Mason Murray, WIII Cabello, Vincent Voqui, Sam Stuhr

Team B: 2nd place: Huck Stuhr, Augie Vasquez, Cash Cuddigan, John Mazzola

Special recognition goes to Will Cabello

and Mason Murray for also placing 1st and 2nd in the 50 freestyle the previous week vs Franklin. Will beat Mason by 1/300th of a second! This week, Mason took 2nd in the 50 free and Will took 3rd. Their competition is getting fierce and is setting them up for a good chance at heading to Districts!

Way to go Mason and Will!



Our girls JV Basketball team celebrated a win over Mountain View on Friday!



**Mission:** At Madison, all students will access an engaging and inclusive education defined by diversity and respect. All students will graduate from high school empowered with critical skills necessary for success in higher education, career, and community engagement.