

A decorative header featuring a light pink background with scattered white dots and various sizes of red hearts. In the center, a red ribbon banner contains the text "JUST FOR YOU". Below the banner, the words "February" and "Newsletter" are written in a white serif font, separated by horizontal lines. Green foliage is illustrated behind the banner and at the bottom corners.

JUST FOR YOU

February
Newsletter

MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL CHARTER & GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL CHARTER

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PUBLIC NOTICE WSCS BOARD MEETING

March 7, 2023 at 2:00pm

This meeting will be by
teleconference

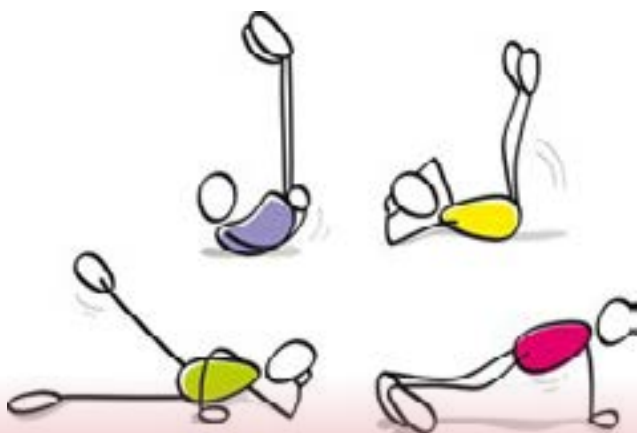
pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20
and N-29-20.

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for more information



Staff Spotlight | Kaylene Friesen

Kaylene Friesen has been around Mountain Home School and Glacier High School in one capacity or another since 2003. At first, it was as an MHS and then as a GHS parent until she began teaching writing electives for GHS in 2012 and became an Advising Teacher in 2015. She taught the Student Leadership ASB class for eight years and English 9 for the first seven years. Her favorite things about teaching at GHS are field trips like the Reagan Museum trip and Grad Nite and partnering with parents to develop the best educational plan for their students. Kaylene has been married to Craig for 37 years, and they have two sons, a daughter, a daughter-in-law, and a bunch of granddaughters. Granddaughter number five was just born on January 17, and Kaylene would be glad to show you a picture of her! When she's not doing something related to school, you can usually find Kaylene reading, hiking, backpacking, snowshoeing, or cross-country skiing in Yosemite or other amazing examples of God's creation.



Important Dates:

- 2/4** ACADEC-SPEECH, INTERVIEW, SUPER QUIZ, AWARDS
- 2/17** LP 7 Due
- 2/20-2/24** February Break
- 3/2 GHS** Leadership Project Presentation Night
- 3/9 & 3/10** Peach Blossom Festival @ Fresno State
- 3/11** Academic Pentathlon Team Competition
- 3/13-3/15** Catalina Trip
- 3/17** LP 8 due
- 3/21** Talent Show
- 3/25** GHS PROM IN FRESNO
- 3/31** Spelling Bee

**Talent Show New Date!
Mountain Home & Glacier High's Annual....**

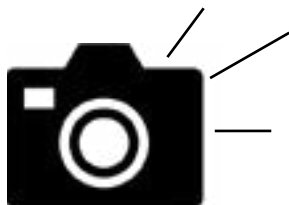


Save the Date
 March 21, 2023
 Yosemite High School Theater
 Any questions ? contact Joyce Vind
 jvind@wscsfamily.org
 To sign up please click on the link below
<https://forms.gle/bCFtQ9f7LMVoSTum6>

PE Testing:

P.E. testing is required for all California students in grades 5th, 7th, and 9th. P.E. testing will take place on the following dates at Western Sierra Charter School.

- Monday, March 27
- Wednesday, March 29
- Friday, March 31



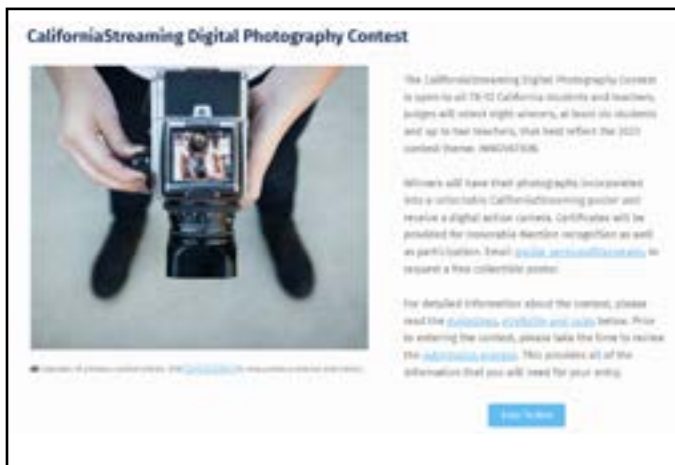
PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Students and Teachers,

Are you a photographer? Do you like taking pictures? Here's the time for you to show off your skills.

California County Educational Technology Consortium is hosting its annual photo contest. This year, the theme is **INNOVATION**. The deadline is Friday, March 3, 2023. This is open to students and teachers across K-12 in California.

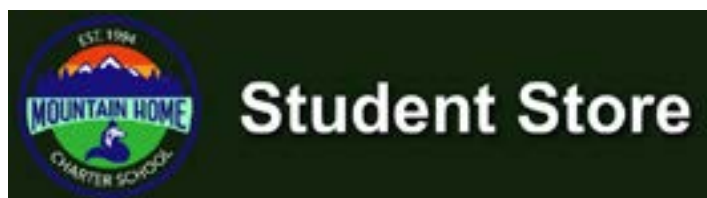
To find out more about this opportunity, click here. [<https://ccetc.net/photocontest/>] You will also find the link to submit your photo in that space as well.



STUDENT STORE

We are pleased to announce that our Student Stores [apparel and merchandise] are now open. A small portion of each purchase supports ASB [Associated Student Body]. Thank you, in advance, for making this possible. Use the links below to purchase some fantastic apparel or merchandise.

For more information, head to ParentSquare to see that notification. **The store closes on Saturday, April 1, 2023. Time is limited.** Thank you, again, for your support.



<https://shopmountainhome.itemorder.com/shop/home/>



<https://shopglacierhigh.itemorder.com/shop/home/>





Tech Corner

Help Your Student Learn To Type. Two recommended online programs:

- Typing Club
- Nitro Type

Both programs have been added to Clever!

What is Clever? a useful tool for students with many websites found in one location! You do not need to make bookmarks to locate important resources. a) Some of the links in Clever do not need a username or password. They simply direct the user to a website. b) For other tools in Clever, our school loads the student's username and password into the "app" so that the family does not need to memorize this information. It's always right here. c) In some situations, the user enters the username and password for the app and that information is stored all year long.

How to Get into Clever? Your school's website has the direct link if you ever misplace the link to Clever. It is located in the Resources tab. You can also go directly to clever.com. Choose Log in as a student in the top right corner. Here is a link to the full tutorial that was sent on Parent Square 2 months ago.

<https://bit.ly/wscsclever>



SOCIAL MEDIA

Feel free to follow us on social media. Use the links below to follow our accounts.



HELP DESK

We now have a Help Desk for our families. You can find this in two locations. Students can find this in Clever. We have a help document that walks you through each of the parts of the Help Desk [found in Clever]. You can also click here to see that tutorial . Additionally, you can find the Help Desk link on our Family Help Website [or use the QR code]. Use this response space to let us know if you are experiencing any technology issues.



WSCS Family Help Desk

If you are having issues with your school provided device or any of the software we offer, please submit a ticket. We will receive your inquiry and respond in a timely fashion. If you are submitting this ticket on the weekend or over holiday, we will respond when school is in session again.



Help Desk Tutorial



Parent Help Website



Parent Help Website



WSCS Family Tech Support



Help Desk



Help Desk



Help Desk Tutorial



Spelling Bee 2023

Mountain Home School is pleased to host the 2022/23 Spelling Bee on **March 31st**. Word Lists are available in the main building.



MHS Ski/Snowboard Program:

Keep skiing February ski dates are 2/6, 2/13, and 2/27. Payments are due Wednesday prior to the Monday ski day. You can pay in person at MHS or online via parent square. Please contact **John Sloas @ jsloas@wscsfamily.org** if you have any questions.

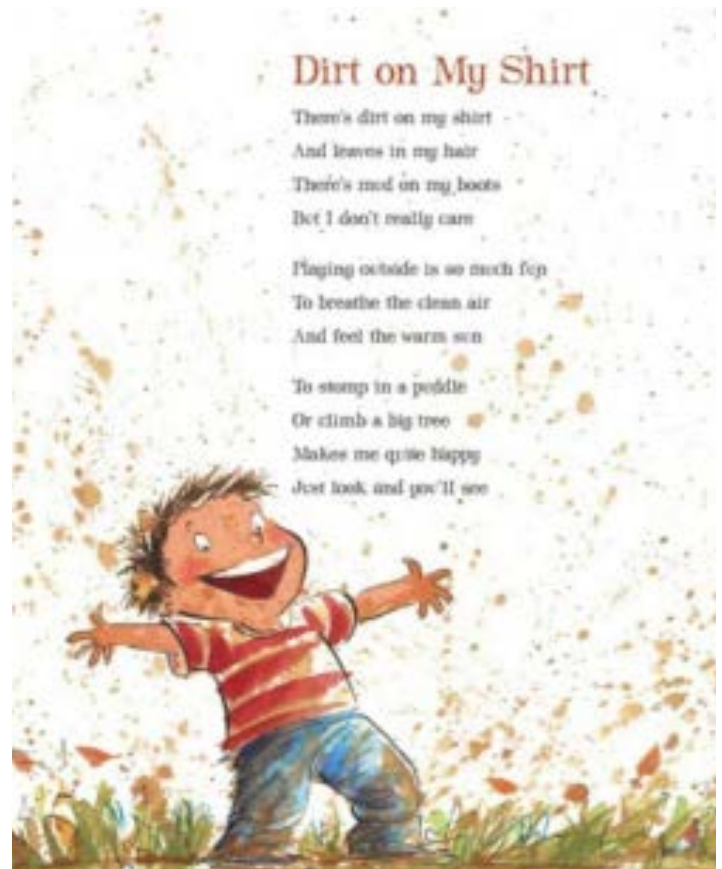
****students in onsite math courses may miss up to 2 math classes on the condition that all homework is completed and ready to turn in by Wednesday's class day.**

Peach Blossom Festival 2023

March 9-10, 2023 @ Fresno State University

The festival is open to students in grades 1-6. Students will select a poem or picture book to memorize. They will perform their selection at Fresno State University on March 9 or March 10, 2023. Students may enter as an individual or with friends as a duet, trio, or small group.

Contact Mrs. Davis to sign up via Parent Square or at jdavis@wscsfamily.org . Spaces are limited.



A flyer for a 'COYOTE BASH' party. The central graphic is a large black circle on a blue background. Inside the circle, the word 'COYOTE' is written in large, yellow, hand-drawn letters at the top, and 'BASH' is written in the same style at the bottom. In the center of the circle, the text 'An MHS 6th-8th Party' is written in a smaller, yellow, sans-serif font. The words 'An' and 'Party' are positioned above and below 'MHS 6th-8th' respectively. The text 'MHS 6th-8th' is flanked by two yellow, jagged, starburst-like shapes. Surrounding the central circle are three black silhouettes of coyotes in various leaping or running poses. The entire flyer is set against a solid red background.

COYOTE
An
MHS 6th-8th
Party
BASH

- Friday February 10th
- Free to attend
- MHS main building, 4:00-7:00 pm
- Pizza, dancing, games, and more!

Questions? Email Leo at occonnor1001066@wascfamily.org



WALTZ OF THE COSMOS PROM

March 25 from 6-10.

Piccadilly Inn

2305 W Shaw Ave, Fresno, CA.

EARLY BIRD PRICING

2/1-2/17

\$65 GHS & ECS seniors

\$75 everyone else

STANDARD PRICING

2/27-3/17

\$70 GHS & ECS seniors

\$80 everyone else

Guest passes due no later than March 17



GHS LEADERSHIP FAMILIES -
ADD THIS DATE TO YOUR CALENDARS

LEADERSHIP PROJECT PRESENTATIONS



Let's get together to hear about each project and celebrate what these fantastic students have accomplished!

6:30-8:30 Families invited to attend
(Leadership students arrive @ 6:00)



Twice a week, GHS students who are on campus will find a quiet place to study and get help on assignments in our ACADEMIC LABS (AL).

Mrs. Friesen will host these "study hall" sessions:

Mondays from 1:30-2:30 in the Brick classroom - NEW TIME!

Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30 in Mod B - NEW TIME & PLACE!

NOTE - Any student enrolled in an on campus core class (math, science, and/or English) who is receiving a C- or lower must attend at least one Academic Lab per week until their grade improves.

- Students can attend AL for a quiet place to work on Edgenuity or any other courses. Students who become a distraction to others will be asked to leave AL.
- Mrs. F is a credentialed English teacher so she will be able to provide quite a bit of help in this subject area and she will be able to coach students to understand directions and search for answers for many other topics.
- Students may bring snacks or lunch to AL as long as they don't become a distraction to others... and Mrs. F enjoys chai and dark chocolate. Just sayin'!



Counselor's Corner

All High School Students - "Counseling Connection"

I am hosting a weekly "College & Career Counseling Connection" for students. It is an informational meeting for high school students every Thursday morning from 10AM-10:15AM via Zoom. Here is the zoom link: <https://wscsfamily-org.zoom.us/j/93141943128?pwd=b1VSRC91RXg0RjZkN-3RvMG8yUHIJQT09>.

The topics will include College/Career and postgraduate information. Here are the topics for the month of November:

- 2/2 Financial Literacy
- 2/9 Getting a Job
- 2/16 Guest Speaker from Local Business

ASVAB Test:

We are offering the ASVAB at Glacier High School on Wednesday, 3/22/23 from 2:45-5:45PM. The test is FREE. Please sign up at the front office by 3/15/23. A one-hour follow-up meeting to help families interpret scores will be held on 4/19/22 at 3:45 PM.

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a multiple choice test used to determine qualification for enlistment in the United States Armed Forces. The ASVAB reveals areas of strength and ability in science, math, and language. Students must be in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade (although it is more recommended for 11-12th graders.)

**In addition, the ASVAB results are used to guide career exploration using career exploration tools. So, all students are encouraged to take the ASVAB and learn more about career opportunities.



College Application Information:

California State University & University of California applications open on October 1st! They are both due on November 30. Apply online.

CSU: www2.calstate.edu

UC: www.ucop.edu/pathways

Private University: Deadline varies

Local Community College Applications:

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges should apply with priority registration through the "Registration To Go Program:

SCCCD (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College)

Local Community College "Registration To Go" steps

1. Application: October
- 2.. Online Orientation: November
4. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: Feb/March
5. Registration for classes: April if above steps are completed



SENIOR PHOTOS FOR YEARBOOK

If you are planning to submit a senior photo for the yearbook, please send a jpeg or pdf to Tammy Eberle at teberle@wscsfamily.org. Deadline is March 31st.

A Special Thank You to Erin & Augie Magdaleno, Country Fair Cinnamon Rolls

The Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser for Grad Trip concluded last December with 33 trays sold at \$35 per tray. Seniors going on the Grad Trip were supposed to receive 50% of the sales. However, Erin & Augie graciously donated the entire \$1,155 back to our seniors. We truly can't thank you enough for your generosity! Your support will allow the seniors to offset the Grad Trip ticket and transportation cost. We're incredibly grateful!



Western Sierra Charter Schools Staff Directory (Oakhurst)

School Phone: 559-642-1422

School Fax number: 559-642-1592

41267 Highway 41
Oakhurst, CA 93644

| Name | Extension | Primary Assignment |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Denise Alvarez | 123 | Glacier High Teacher |
| Phil Blas | 128 | Technology Coordinator |
| Bruce <u>Boe</u> | 121 | Glacier High Teacher |
| Mike Cox | 102 | WSCS Director of Schools |
| Melissa Culver | 114 | Technology Coordinator |
| Julie Davis | 103 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| Kaylene Friesen | 122 | Glacier High Teacher |
| Eric Hagen | 107 | Technology Administrator |
| April Hill | 108 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| Greg Hill | 129 | WSCS Guidance Counselor |
| Jody Jeffers | 117 | Chief Business Officer |
| Denise Jones | 100 | Receptionist/Registration |
| Katie Kelly | 116 | Glacier High Teacher |
| Mindy Klang | 104 | WSCS Oakhurst Principal |
| Kim Meeks | 105 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| Ramon Mendoza | 113 | Maintenance |
| Angela Moons | 120 | Special Education Administrator |
| Diane <u>Neullinger</u> | 112 | Librarian/Office |
| <u>Dawniele</u> Oliphant | 124 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| Tiffany Palmer | 133 | WSCS Accounting Clerk |
| Rachel Proto | 111 | Mountain Home Teacher/RSP |
| John Rumohr | 106 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| John <u>Sloas</u> | 110 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| Joyce <u>Vind</u> | 109 | Mountain Home Teacher |
| Nancy Turner | (559) 248-0482 ext. 217 | EL Coordinator |

Email addresses for all staff are: first initial and last name @wscsfamily.org (no spaces)

Support Staff: Lisa Boe (Art); Tamara Dent (Music); Tammy Eberle (Yearbook); Barbara Graas (MHS Class) JoAnn Heidebrecht (MHS Class/Tutoring); Sandy Johnson (MHS/GHS Math); Kim Richards (GHS English) Daniel Takanishi (GHS Chemistry);