

Tornado Times
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Go Malden!



The Tornado Times is put out at the beginning of each school week.

The contents of the Tornado Times are intended to inform Malden High School students and staff as well as the greater Malden High School community. If you would like to add something please submit the contents to Principal Dana F. Brown, dbrown@maldenps.org. Stories, pictures, reminders, club, activity, and class notes are all welcome.

Malden High School Vision Statement

The Malden High School community believes in the potential of all students to learn, to grow, and to become active, conscientious participants in the 21st century global society. We believe that students learn most effectively in a safe, respectful environment that encourages diverse viewpoints, promotes critical thinking and perseverance, and establishes rigorous standards for all. We honor the diverse nature of our community, promote social awareness and community involvement, and strive to meet the needs of all students through innovative methods and continual professional development. We are committed to ensuring that Malden High School graduates are thoughtful, independent, purpose-driven, lifelong learners. We seek to equip all students with the skills and habits necessary to successfully navigate and contribute to our ever-changing world.

Good morning,

Happy New Year and welcome back. It feels like winter now...

Over the break we said goodbye to two colleagues; at the District level Mike Ciaburri left our technology department for another tech opportunity and in our Pathways Program Victor Joubert left for a supervisory position closer to home. We wish both gentlemen continued success.

With two weeks until our midterms our message to students has to be simple and consistent; if you are doing well, keep going. If you are off track, there is still time to get back on track. Simple, consistent.

Before break MHS hosted our first panini grill competition. The Mayor's Office did a nice press release on the event:

<http://www.cityofmalden.org/content/mhs-panini-grill-competition>

The month of January:

Monday, January 04, 2016	7,1,2,3,4	Early-release, Content, City of Malden Inauguration, 6:00 pm, Jenkins Auditorium
Tuesday, January 05, 2016	6,7,1,2,3,4	
Wednesday, January 06, 2016	5,6,7,1,2,3	Poetry out Loud semi-finals
Thursday, January 07, 2016	4,5,6,7,1,2	Poetry out Loud semi-finals
Friday, January 08, 2016	3,4,5,6,7,1	
Saturday, January 09, 2016	xxxxxxx	AP ELA MOCK EXAM AT MALDEN
Monday, January 11, 2016	2,3,4,5	Late-entry (2,3,4,5), School Committee
Tuesday, January 12, 2016	1,2,3,4,5,6	
Wednesday, January 13, 2016	7,1,2,3,4,5	Senior Financial Aid Night (Ask the Principal) 6:30 pm
Thursday, January 14, 2016	6,7,1,2,3,4	
Friday, January 15, 2016	5,6,7,1,2,3	2ND QUARTER ATTENDANCE ENDS
Monday, January 18, 2016	xxxxxxx	No School-Martin Luther King Day
Tuesday, January 19, 2016	4,5,6	Midterm Exams, Grading Folders Open, Optional lunch, Chromebook Information Night
Wednesday, January 20, 2016	7,1	Midterm exams, Optional Lunch
Thursday, January 21, 2016	2,3	Midterm exams, Optional Lunch
Friday, January 22, 2016	1,2,3,4,5,6	
Saturday, January 23, 2016	xxxxxxx	AP SCIENCE AT MELROSE
Monday, January 25, 2016	7,3,2,1,5	Early-release, Content, GRADING FOLDERS CLOSE
Tuesday, January 26, 2016	6,7,1,2,3,4	
Wednesday, January 27, 2016	5,6,7,1,2,3	Poetry out Loud Finals
Thursday, January 28, 2016	4,5,6,7,1,2	Parent-teacher conference #2, 5:00-7:00 pm.

Friday, January 29, 2016	xxxxxxxxxx	Professional Development #3, MHS, No School for students
Saturday, January 30, 2016	xxxxxxxxxxxx	
Sunday, January 31, 2016	xxxxxxxxxx	FAFSA Day at Malden High School

For anyone who would like to walk; Grab your sneakers and get a head start on your 2016 New Year's Resolutions. Walking the Gym, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 6:30 A.M. to 7:30 A.M.

Hello all,

Thanks to you, our first week of the ELL after-school tutoring program has been successful. This is just a reminder to all teachers that a tutoring program is now available for ELL students in the subject areas of history, computer literacy (learning how to use Chromebook, Google Drive software, etc), ELA, and biology.

While students are welcome to drop in without a referral, filling out the Google form at the link below is beneficial to us, helping us reach out to students in the most need.

<http://goo.gl/forms/UM2uJao2NI>

Several MHS teachers are available Tuesdays-Fridays after school (individual schedules will vary by teacher.) The tutoring sessions are immediately after school (at 2:15), and are available to any ELL student, current or former. If you have an ESL student you believe would benefit from tutoring, please fill out the form above with relevant information (you can fill this out more than one time if need be). A tutor will contact you in order to set up a schedule with your student.

**Thank you again for helping us reach out to students!
Jess Haralson**

Please post

Malden High School 2015-16 Midterm Schedule

Day and Date	Exam Block	Exam Block	Lunch	Exam Block
	8:00-9:30 am	9:45 -11:15 am	11:15-12:15 pm	12:30-2:00 pm
Monday, January 18	NO SCHOOL	MLK Jr.	Holiday	xxxxxxxxxx
Tuesday, January 19	Period 4	Period 5	Optional Lunch	Period 6
Wednesday January 20	Period 7	Period 1	Optional Lunch	Make-ups
Thursday, January 21	Make-ups	Period 2	Optional Lunch	Period 3
Friday, January 22	Day 1		Reg. Lunch	

Midterm protocol

Ø Students must remain in the classroom for the entire duration of the midterm exam. Please insist that students bring reading/writing materials in the event they finish early.

Ø Please make sure students know **your cell phone policy**.

Ø Students only have to be in school during the time when they are scheduled for a midterm.

Ø With only some exceptions (school-to-career, peer tutoring, directed studies) it is expected that every class offer a department approved midterm.

Ø **All senior students must take midterms in semester courses, regardless of current average.**

For Immediate Release:

Malden High School will serve as a host site on January 31, 2016

FAFSA Day Massachusetts Offers Free Help
Applying for Financial Aid for College!

BOSTON –Every high school senior, college student, and adult student who will be attending college during the 2016-2017 academic year needs to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to apply for federal, state, and institutional financial aid. FAFSA Day Massachusetts, part of the national College Goal SundaySM program, provides FREE help statewide to students and families looking to complete the FAFSA.

The twelfth annual FAFSA Day Massachusetts is being held on Sunday, January 31st at 1:00 p.m. and on Sunday, February 21st at 1:00p.m. at over 30 locations, with additional locations available on different dates and times. Families are encouraged to visit www.FAFSADay.org to view locations, dates, and times, to register, and to see a list of what to bring.

The services are free and available to anyone attending college for the 2016-2017 academic year; low-income, first-generation students are especially encouraged to attend. Many locations will have services available in various languages; for a list of available languages, please visit www.FAFSADay.org.

FAFSA Day is staffed by volunteer financial aid and higher education experts available to provide families one-on-one assistance. FAFSA Day is a non-profit program sponsored by Massachusetts Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, MEFA, American Student Assistance, and USA Funds. Over 14,000 students have been served during FAFSA Day events.

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To register or find more information on FAFSA Day, please visit www.FAFSADay.org. For questions or additional information, please call 877-424-7627 or e-mail massinfo@fafsaday.org.

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