

**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](mailto:dbrown@maldenps.org). Stories, pictures, reminders, club, activity, and class notes are all welcome.*

### **Malden High School Vision Statement:**

*I decided to take some liberties with the formatting...others may look at this differently. I just think it is important to realize what a tremendous impact we have on student lives.*

*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*

- *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,**

**I see the mission statement being fulfilled in so many ways at Malden High School; first and foremost in classrooms and offices across the school. The staff-student dialogue, the support, and the mentoring and instruction that I get to see is helping our students be successful.**

**I also see the mission in the cafeteria after school in our informal club of studiers, dancers, singers, and ping pong players. The students are mostly unsupervised, and super respectful of the school and others.**

**I witnessed the mission statement in play last week during each of the Poetry out Loud competitions, from the students on stage to the students in the audience.**

**At the Posse Foundation Awards night and at a recent swim meet and basketball game I saw the mission statement being carried out in so many ways, from humble appreciation, to good sportsmanship, to good fan behavior.**

**I also know firsthand that this is a messy place where imperfections can be found always; but we move on, “let it go”, and try to help the next student that walks in our classroom or office. You do it well. Thank you.**

The cafeteria will be opening a snack bar Monday, the 11th, in Cafeteria Boyle. It will be open during all 4 lunches. Students may purchase grab and go meals such as sandwiches, salads, and items from Ruby's Grill. There will be new yogurt smoothies and bagel meals offered as a lunch! In addition the snack bar will sell a larger variety of snack items including chips, cookies, and fruit salad. Come Check it Out!

## January:

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) 6:00 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	<b>No School-Martin Luther King Day</b>
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	xxxxxxxxx	Professional Development #3, MHS, No School for students
Saturday, January 30, 2016	xxxxxxxxx	Lunar New Year Celebration at MHS
Sunday, January 31, 2016	xxxxxxxxxxx	FAFSA Day at Malden High School

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**Congratulations to senior Terrica Dang and junior Tori Macdonald who will serve as Representative and Alternate, respectively, at the Massachusetts Student Government Day to be held later this spring at the State House. Congratulations ladies and thank you Mr. Hurley and Mr. Tivnan for taking the lead on this endeavor.**

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**Hello teachers,**

**Do you have an ELL student in your content-area class (ELA, history, computer literacy, or the sciences) who is struggling with assignments?**

**Do you feel this student may benefit from extra support or tutoring after school?**

**Beginning Tuesday Dec. 8, MHS is launching an ELL tutoring program. Several MHS teachers will be available Tuesdays-Fridays after school (individual schedules will vary by teacher.) The tutoring sessions are immediately after school, and are available to any ELL student, current or former.**

**If you have an ESL student you believe would benefit from tutoring, please click on the link below and fill in the relevant information (you can fill this out more than one time if need be):**

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

**Again, the link above will allow you to refer students you feel may benefit from additional support.**

**Thank you, Jess Haralson, Br490**

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**Seniors,**

**Many of you are working on or have finished applying to college. Great...but you're not done. Financial Aid is that important piece that will help you and your family pay for college!**

**WE HAVE TWO EVENTS COMING UP THIS MONTH TO HELP YOU GET YOUR FAFSA FILED ASAP!**

**1. SENIOR FINANCIAL AID NIGHT -- WEDNESDAY, 1/13, 6PM IN THE JENKINS AUDITORIUM**

**This hour long seminar is presented by the MA Education Financing Authority (MEFA). Send your parents, come with your parents, or come yourself! An expert on filling out all the financial aid forms**

colleges need will present everything you need to know about getting your financial aid done efficiently and correctly.

## **2. FAFSA Day -- SUNDAY, 1/31, 1-4PM AT MALDEN HIGH SCHOOL**

**Get help filling out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)!**

**Get on a computer and get it done while you are there.**

**Experts will be on hand to answer questions and offer assistance.**

**How: Register at <http://fafsaday.org/registration.php> .**

**Bring the following if possible:**

- Yourself and/or parents/guardians
- **FSA ID (replaces the FAFSA PIN--see your counselor for a flyer if needed)**
- **2014 or 2015 Federal Tax Return \*\*\*\*\*Most important\*\*\*\*\***
- Social Security #
- Driver's license
- 2014 or 2015 W-2 Forms or year-end pay stubs
- 2014 or 2015 untaxed income records
- Current bank statements
- 2014 or 2015 business and investment records
- Your alien registration card
- (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- ***Bring 2014 if 2015 not available***

**See your counselor with questions.**

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**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.**

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## *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
<b>Monday, January 18</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>MLK Jr.</b>	<b>Holiday</b>	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.**