

**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,

Wow! Midterms are done, the second quarter draws to a close and February lurks around the weekend corner. We are officially midway through the year! Yikes.

Ahhh...Saturdays at Malden High School. For 13 years I have had the pleasure of coming into the building on most Saturdays. It became a favorite day for me for many reasons, mostly because of the access and opportunity provided to students, staff, and community members. I was never alone!! This past Saturday was fairly typical; SATs happening in many classrooms filled with students, including lots of ours, from all over the area; our teachers and staff are the proctors and supervisors. Competing for students was the Advanced Placement science prep session with almost 300 students from different high schools. Of course we had some of our own science teachers leading the way. We held a "circle" training in the library with 10 seniors and our trainer Candace Julian. Track student-athletes waited patiently for their bus, the wrestling team gathered for their workout and we hosted a youth basketball game in the gym. A couple of parents came in checking on their son and his lost wallet. Oh, and students who know the school is open come in and go to their lockers, use the bathroom, wait for a bus etc. It's different every Saturday, but it's not. It's a fascinating place.

## January

Monday, January 25, 2016	7,3,2,1,5	Early-release, Content
Tuesday, January 26, 2016	6,7,1,2,3,4	GRADING FOLDERS CLOSE

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, 1-5 pm
Sunday, January 31, 2016	xxxxxxxxx	FAFSA Day at Malden High School, 1pm,

*Looking ahead; Assembly by Year of Graduation (Class), Friday, February 5th, Day 6.*

**We will follow Assembly Schedule:**

**Homeroom**                      **7:30 – 7:55**

**Period 6**                      **7:55 – 8:40**

**Assembly**                      **8:40 – 9:20**

**Period 7**                      **9:20 – 10:05**

**Period 1**                      **10:05- 10: 45**

**Period 2**                      **Lunch Block**

**Periods 3,4 after lunch**

# **Let's Get Ready SAT Prep at Malden High School**

Let's Get Ready expands access to college in America by mobilizing, equipping, and empowering a movement of college students helping high school students get to college. Through a network of local chapters, Let's Get Ready volunteers provide students with intensive SAT preparation, college advising, and powerful role models for college success.

**Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:00 – 9:00 pm**

**Mid February till the beginning of May**

**Must attend both nights**

**Must also attend two practice tests on**

**February 27th and April 9th.**

All students must take the May SAT exam.

**For more information go to:  
LetsGetReady.org/Programs/malden**

Application acceptance is prioritized by those students who are juniors in the spring of 2016, qualify for free/reduced lunch and/or are first generation college bound and then those students who would not otherwise be able to afford SAT preparation and college application assistance.

**Apply today at:  
<https://www.tfaforms.com/399669>  
Questions? Contact Let's Get Ready at  
[letsgetreadybu@gmail.com](mailto:letsgetreadybu@gmail.com) or talk to your guidance  
counselor.**



Over the MLK weekend we had three of our students participate in a high school figure skating competition in Gloucester. The girls are advised by Math teacher Elizabeth Gibbons.

**Results from the high school skating competition:**

- ❖ Alyssa Ardai: 2nd place High Beginner Free-Skate
- ❖ Allyson Kummins: 1st place Pre-Preliminary Freeskate
- ❖ Jessica Spadafora: 2nd place Intermediate Freeskate
- ❖ Team Maneuvers: 2nd Place



**Overall School Results: Malden High tied for 2nd place! The girls had so much fun. Congratulate them if you see them.**

# **STUDENTS: Interested in the health of your community?**

**Stop by Malden High School's Teen Health Advisory \*Located in the STARR Center,  
inside the nurse's office**

**Topics include:**

- ❖ **Injury**
- ❖ **Teen pregnancy**
- ❖ **Nutrition and exercise**
- ❖ **Sexual and reproductive health**
- ❖ **Healthy relationships**
- ❖ **Mental and emotional health...& any other health topics that interest YOU!**

**Next meeting: MONDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup> 2:30-3:30pm**

**BEGINNING FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup> OUR MEETING DAY AND TIME WILL CHANGE TO  
THURSDAYS at 2:30 pm**

**We will do at least one community service project over the year!**

**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!

**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.

## Great updates from Sean Walsh and our Play Production world:

- *Two weeks ago, The Yale Exit Players visited Malden High Play Production for a session on Improvisation and Character Building.*
- *This past Wednesday Emerson Directing Professor Joe Antoun worked with a group of students on their self-scripting piece for METG drama festival.*
- *This week, 12 students from Play Pro will be involved in working with Boston University playwrights as a part of their ten minute play festival.*
- *Kamila Regalado was selected to represent Malden High in the English Speaking Union's Shakespeare Monologue Competition. She performed as Desdemona from Othello. She competes February 6th at Mount Ida College. Kudos to Sarah Bendell, Ali Fletcher and Brayan Angulo for their runner-up performances.*
- *Malden High School Play Production will perform at the preliminary round of the METG drama festival at Manchester Essex High School on February 27th at 9 a.m.. Their original show, All the King's Actors, tells the story of a theater group's production of Humpty Dumpty that takes a decidedly political turn after the election of an anti-theater demagogue. A production for the community is tentatively scheduled for February 24th at 6:30 in the Jenkins.*
- *Malden Play Production was also the recipient of the a \$2500 grant from the Malden Cultural Council for their Spring Production of Much Ado About Nothing, which - if all things go well - will be done in the Malden High School courtyard on May 26th and May 27th - Shakespeare in the Courtyard!*