

**Tornado Times**  
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*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**

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,

Welcome back to Ann Pember and thank you to Duncan MacLaury for filling in so admirably during Ann's leave.

Progress Report folders open today and despite all of the "stuff" that happens between now and the midterms there are still more than 20 teaching days between now and the end of the second quarter.

I would like to thank everyone for their help during Spirit Week and beyond; Malden High School was a vibrant part of the community throughout all of last week and through the weekend. Whether it was the football team and cheerleaders at the 127<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Day Game, volunteers giving of their time at the Bread of Life Dinner, or the band marching and playing in the game and then at the Parade of Holiday Traditions, Malden High School was represented with class throughout all events:

Thank you to:

- The football team and cheerleaders
- The band and chorus
- The Captains Council
- Our dance teams; Lions, Step, and Airbound
- Our art staff and student helpers
- Members of the Crew team
- All of the class advisors, co-advisors, class officers, Spirit Teams, and helpers
- Members of the Play Production cast and crew
- All our faculty and staff who went above and beyond again!

**The next two weeks:**

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| 12345  | Monday, December 01, 2014    | <b>Early-release, ASK THE PRINCIPAL, 1st day of winter sports, Progress Report folders open</b> |
| 345671 | Tuesday, December 02, 2014   |   |
| 234567 | Wednesday, December 03, 2014 |   |
| 123456 | Thursday, December 04, 2014  | <b>RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, Shrek Musical</b>   |
| 712345 | Friday, December 05, 2014    | <b>Shrek Musical</b>  |

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| xxxxxxxxx | Saturday, December 06, 2014  | Shrek Musical, SAT Date at Malden High School, doors open at 7:30 am |
| 1423      | Monday, December 08, 2014    | Late-entry   |
| 671234    | Tuesday, December 09, 2014   |  |
| 567123    | Wednesday, December 10, 2014 | <b>HOUSE ASSEMBLY</b>  |
| 456712    | Thursday, December 11, 2014  | MEFA Night for seniors, 6:30 pm                                      |
| 345671    | Friday, December 12, 2014    |  |

Save the Date for Malden High's production of ***Shrek the Musical!***  
Thursday and Friday December 4th and 5th at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday Dec. 6th at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Jenkins Auditorium.

There is a planned meet-and-greet with the Characters from 12:30-1:15 on Saturday December 6th.

This modern, family-friendly musical, produced by the award-winning Malden Play Production, will feature tons of dance, technical wizardry, outrageous costumes, and plenty of your favorite Storybook characters. Based on the *Dreamworks* film, this musical deconstructs old fairy tales and delivers a positive message about beauty and being oneself.

Save the date to support the 53 talented students -plus two students from the Salemwood School as well as some special FACULTY guest. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens, and kids under 5 are free. They will be available the week of the show and at the door.

Best,

Sean Walsh, Allen Phelps, Todd Cole, and Miranda Libkin

### **1:1 Initiative update:**

Thank you again for your feedback.

A couple of things:

- We finished a draft of the insurance policy and AUP and met with House Principals to discuss concerns, implementation, and modifications. We

will have the particulars around AUP out to everyone as soon as possible - which will address concerns around breakage, loss, theft, etc.

- This year, Chromebooks will be issued to those in a freshman homeroom; we are continuing to address multilevel classes.
- Many of you expressed interest in starting Google Classroom now. Awesome! However, the district must adopt Google For Education before we sign-up any more teachers and students. We have been running a pilot under the maldenhigh.org demo account and are not able to expand upon it. We are in talks with Google about adopting this as soon as possible.
- We are seeking interested, capable students (9-11) to operate a Google Help Desk. We have names already from teachers who are piloting Google classroom and from the Computer Club - but if you know of a student who may be interested, please have them contact Lucia in the library.
- We have an upcoming visit to Burlington High School this week.
- We are developing digital literacy presentations/curriculum for Freshman --- More information will be forthcoming next week.
- In regards to Professional Development, please click on this [link](#) to view upcoming potential Professional Development. More info is forthcoming about how to get involved.
- If you have questions, comments, considerations, please use the following [link](#).

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### Malden High School Tutoring Program

Looking for students interested in tutoring or being tutored...

Sign up outside of Ms. Macey's room (Br480)

The program starts December 1, 2014

Do you have any questions? Email us at:

[MaldenHighTutoring@gmail.com](mailto:MaldenHighTutoring@gmail.com)

Good Afternoon Malden High,

Junior Achievement is currently accepting applications for the *JA Academy* program beginning in January. Over the summer we had the pleasure of accepting several students from Malden High School into the *JA Financial Literacy Summer Academy* and we'd love to now have the honor of your students considering our upcoming *JA Academy* program. More details are below and attached. Thank you for your time and consideration!

Junior Achievement of Northern New England is proud to announce that two *JA Academy* programs will be happening from January 2015 – April 2015.

*JA Academy* is an after-school program for highly motivated students to experience the life cycle of a company and best business practices. Students from Greater Boston come together to collaborate, develop leadership skills, and utilize creativity throughout the 13 week program.

**Applications are now being accepted! All high school students are encouraged to apply and space is limited to 30 students so applications are expected to be competitive. Application deadline is Friday November, 21, 2014. Apply online: <http://janewengland.org/jaacademyapply/>**

The two *JA Academy* programs will run simultaneously on either Wednesday or Thursday in the Back Bay at the Capital One 360 Café from 3:30-5:30 pm. Students are required to attend all 13 sessions. The **program is FREE to accepted students and students are responsible for their own transportation.**

**Program Dates:**

Wednesdays: 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15

Thursdays: 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16

**The Junior Achievement Business Hall of Fame Dinner & 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is taking place on Wednesday, March 11, 2015.**

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The Malden High School Fine Arts Club is making "Letters from Santa" this coming Christmas and will be sending them out just for Santa's little helpers!

Santa's Letter will include a personalized letter from Santa on novelty paper, stickers, a "Naughty" or "Nice" Certificate and a photo of Santa in an envelope.

Order letters by December 5th for guaranteed delivery by Christmas.

**\$15.00**

How to order:

1. Request form via email: [mseager@maldenps.org](mailto:mseager@maldenps.org)
2. Fill out form and return by Dec. 5th:  
Malden High School Fine Arts Club  
77 Salem Street, Malden MA 02148
3. Please make checks out to:  
Malden High School Fine Arts Club



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