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### Malden High School Vision Statement

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**Good morning,**

**Thank you for your efforts this year to move the school forward, always keeping in mind that students come first. I know enough about schools and how they work to know that this high school is a special place. Thank you.**

**Whether you work this summer or take leisure time or both, I wish you nothing but good health and happiness.**

**The first day for MPS staff for the 2013-2014 school year is Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. More details will follow.**

**Please see my notes below about the end of the year close-out.**

### Notes:

- ❖ Please complete the technology survey (forwarded to you by Michele Magner) and the Professional Development Survey (forwarded to you Kelly Chase).

- ❖ I would like to thank Todd Cole and Matt Tavares and members of the band and chorus for participating in Friday evening's Flag Day Ceremony at Bell Rock Park. State Senator Katherine Clark and Mayor Gary Christenson praised both groups during their remarks.
- ❖ Congratulations to the classes and clubs involved in Saturday's car wash/flea market. By many accounts it was successful.
- ❖ On Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> we will host a Chinese Food Luncheon for staff in the Gallery/Courtyard. We will start at 12 noon. If you have any special dietary considerations please email me today.
- ❖ Start the book hunt now; lost and found books can be sent to the Main Office.
- ❖ Please check your Main Office mail boxes.
- ❖ Please do not leave any personal belongings in school when you leave.
- ❖ The school budget gets voted on Tuesday night. We will know then whether we can hire an additional teacher in Math, ELA, Science and Social Science and an additional Adjustment Counselor. If we get positive news there will be a couple of room/office shifts. We will let you know as soon as possible. Our summer work crew will take responsibility for moving any staff member that needs to be relocated.
- ❖ ***We are asking all staff members to take personal refrigerators and microwaves out of their classrooms at the end of the school year.*** When we return in the fall we will have four staff rooms ready for your use. Each room will contain a 20 cubic foot refrigerator/freezer and an extra-large microwave. We will also outfit the rooms with appropriate tables and chairs. House Offices and the Main Office will also house small refrigerators and microwaves. Thank you for your cooperation.
- ❖ **Key Audit**- we will be conducting a "**key audit**" this summer. The goal of the key audit is to be able to provide each and every staff person with appropriate keys for the bathroom, the classroom or office, the classroom

or office desk, and any cabinets in the classroom or office. **In order to do this we need each and every school year employee to turn in their keys at the close of school on Friday, June 21st.** If you are working a summer program we will inventory your keys immediately so that we can return them to you in time for the summer sessions.

- ❖ Staff members who are full-year employees can keep their keys for now. At some time during the summer we will ask you to bring your keys in so that we can inventory them.

### **This week :**

MONDAY, JUNE 17 <sup>TH</sup>	GRADE 9-11 FINALS, 1, 2
TUESDAY, JUNE 18 <sup>TH</sup>	GRADE 9-11 FINALS 3, 4
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19 <sup>TH</sup>	GRADE 9-11 FINALS 5, 6
THURSDAY, JUNE 20 <sup>TH</sup>	GRADE 9-11 FINALS 7, MAKEUPS
FRIDAY, JUNE 21 <sup>ST</sup>	FULL DAY FOR MHS STAFF, 12 NOON CHINESE LUNCHEON IN GALLERY

1<sup>ST</sup> EXAM, 8-9:30, 2<sup>ND</sup> EXAM, 9:45-11:15, OPTIONAL LUNCH 11:15-11:45 DAILY

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### **Malden High School Expectations**

#### **Academic:**

Malden High students are expected to:

- read critically for understanding.
- listen critically for understanding.
- write for a variety of purposes.
- communicate clearly through speaking.
- apply critical thinking skills for reasoning and problem-solving.
- utilize technology to conduct research, to support critical thinking, and to present information.
- work collaboratively with peers and Malden High School staff.
- develop personal interests and goals within a course of study.

**Personal Growth:**

Malden High students are expected to:

- exhibit responsible, respectful, and appropriate personal behavior.
- demonstrate teamwork and cooperation in their school and in their extended community.
- make informed, healthful decisions in and out of school.

**Civic Responsibility:**

Malden High students are expected to:

- demonstrate respect for others in their school and in their extended community.
- value and respect school and community property.
- exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship in a democracy.