



# The MACHS Anchor



Providing information about the school and maritime industry to faculty, family, and friends

## Set Sail with these Lists of Events:

### Middle School:

Mon, 5/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Memorial Day – No School</li> </ul>
Tue, 5/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Day</li> <li>Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM</li> <li>7<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to The Franklin Institute</li> <li>Finals Week!</li> <li>Penny Wars Begin (Ends 6/4)!</li> <li>Sports Banquet RSVPs Due</li> <li>After School Tutoring – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM</li> <li>Book Bunch – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM</li> <li>Choir Practice – 3:45 PM – 5:00 PM</li> <li>Newspaper Club</li> </ul>
Wed, 5/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B Day</li> <li>Computer-Based Tutoring – Until 8:15 AM</li> <li>Boatbuilding Class – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM</li> <li>Book Bunch – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM</li> <li>Sports Banquet – 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM</li> </ul>
Thu, 5/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Day</li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Camden Riversharks</li> <li>After School Tutoring – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM</li> <li>Newspaper Club</li> </ul>
Fri, 5/29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B Day</li> <li>5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to The Philadelphia Zoo</li> <li>Last Day to Submit 3-on-3 Basketball Forms</li> <li>G.R.E.A.T. Program</li> <li>Sailing</li> </ul>
<b>Other Important Reminders:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5/30 – Math Rules Program (Gr. 5) – 9:00 AM – 12 Noon</li> <li>6/1 – Spirit Week Begins (FREE "Mismatched Monday" DDD); Last Day to Submit 5-vs-5 Flag Football Forms</li> <li>6/4 – Quarter 4 Ends!</li> <li>6/5 – Professional Development – No School for Students; Q4 Grades Due by 5:00 PM (Gr. 8 Only)</li> </ul>	



### High School:

Mon, 5/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Memorial Day – No School</li> </ul>
Tue, 5/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Day</li> <li>Biology Keystone Exams</li> </ul>
Wed, 5/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B Day</li> <li>Biology Keystone Exams</li> <li>Newspaper Club</li> <li>Sports Banquet – 5:00 PM</li> </ul>
Thu, 5/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Day</li> <li>Zumba!</li> </ul>
Fri, 5/29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B Day</li> </ul>
<b>Other Important Reminders:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6/4 – Quarter 4 Ends!</li> <li>6/5 – Professional Development – No School for Students;</li> </ul>	



**Bravo Zulu!**



*Recognizing success and points of pride around MACHS*

### **MACHS Athlete Completes Season at State Championship**

For months, HS track and field athletes have traveled to the middle school campus to undergo training from **Ms. Allen (MS)**. Typically, their week of practices concludes on Thursdays with a meet. While many may have stopped following their progress after Penn Relays or Philadelphia Public League Championships, one shining star continued to excel. Sophomore **Essence March (10D)** continued to persevere well beyond all of her teammates. Her 4<sup>th</sup> place finish at the PIAA District Championships for the 300 meter hurdles was enough to propel her to the state championship after a previous contender was no longer able to compete.

Essence concluded her track and field season last week at the state championships, and we are quite proud of her strong finish. In addition to taking part in an event for the first time in her short track career, Essence also posted improved scores in the 100 meter dash, the 200 meter dash, and the 400 meter dash when compared to her first year! Of

### **Extended Learning Opportunities Blossom Thanks to Local Field Trips**

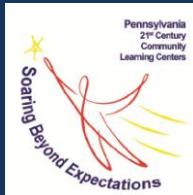
The warmer weather has provided excellent opportunities for numerous grades to attend various field trips. Just last week, 8C and 8D visited the Eastern State Penitentiary and Water Works Museums. Even before that, 4<sup>th</sup> graders observed all that's "gross" about animals at the Academy of Natural Sciences. Finally, high school students were once again invited to visit the United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA).

These trips not only allow teachers to extend various content area and maritime-themed lessons beyond the classroom walls, but it also fosters a way for students to search of learning opportunities regardless of where they may be. Perhaps as the days of our school year ends, some students will find the inspiration to develop their own field trips during their summer vacation!

**Mark Your Calendars:  
Final MS CLC Open  
House Set for June 9<sup>th</sup>**

We would like to inform you that **Mr. Walsh** and the middle school will host one final open house for our CLC. There are a plethora of academic and enrichment programs set to begin in the summer that are available for FREE thanks to our 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Grant. Since 2002, the **Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE)** has been providing funding for such programs nationwide to ensure students reach achievement standards.

If you are a person finalizing summer plans, this can be an opportune time to learn about our programs and determine which activities might be best for your child. For more information, please contact Mr. Walsh at [walsh.s@maritimecharter.org](mailto:walsh.s@maritimecharter.org).



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### **National Maritime Day Also Merchant Marine Memorial Day**

While many of us may have utilized this past weekend as the unofficial start to summer, across the nation, people honored the many lives lost through their valiant efforts in the Armed Forces. That being said, Friday's national celebration of Maritime Day was also recognized by **The United States Maritime Administration (MARAD)** as Merchant Marine Memorial Day. For over 200 years, merchant mariners have been involved in many aspects of our world, whether it be safety, business, or transportation. Research has even shown that approximately 90% of the commerce that takes place between countries today is done by sea!

For those interested in gaining more information about the merchant marines, the website for MARAD showcases a variety of links, including an area for K-12 teachers. Did you know that you could access a variety of videos related to these group of people? In fact, you could also participate in their Adopt-a-ship program! As part of the Department of Transportation, there are many applicable lessons related to MARAD. To see for yourself, visit their website at <http://www.marad.dot.gov/>.



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### ***A Few Final Remarks and a Preview for Next Week***

There are still so many exciting events and activities taking place these next few weeks! Let us know what you're most excited to experience!

- After months of preparation and hard work, high school students conclude their Keystone Exams this week. We are so proud of the effort you've shown, and know that you'll rock those Biology tests!
- A year's full of memorable moments and superstar athletes will be commemorated this week at our middle and high school sports banquets. Both taking place on Wednesday, we hope that you find the time to celebrate some of the many accomplishments of our competitive teams this school year!
- Spirit Week begins for the middle school on Monday with a variety of dress down days, activities and contests. Details regarding the events will be released shortly, but in the meantime, those interested in either the basketball or flag football tournaments should get their paperwork and teams ready!
- Finally, there is professional development for all staff on **Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**. As a result, students will not report to school. We hope that our 8<sup>th</sup> graders use that time to get ready for their Celebration Dance, and others bask in the enjoyment of approaching the final days of the school year

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