



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, 1/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEW YEAR'S DAY (<i>OBSERVED</i>) – NO SCHOOL School Counseling Theme: Self Care
Tue, 1/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day School Resumes for Staff and Students Computer-Based Tutoring – 7:15 AM – 8:15 AM SGA Meeting – 2:30 PM Art Club – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM Character Development – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Cooking Club – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM Junior Reporters' Club – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Lego Robotics – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Math & RELA Tutoring – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM Scrapbooking/Cardmaking – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Sports Club – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Wed, 1/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Computer-Based Tutoring – 7:15 AM – 8:15 AM Character Development – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Chess – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Environmental Club – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Math & RELA Tutoring – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM
Thu, 1/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day Computer-Based Tutoring – 7:15 AM – 8:15 AM Community Meetings Art Club – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM Boat Building (Bldg. 41) – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Character Development – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Cooking Club – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM Junior Authors' Club – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Math & RELA Tutoring – 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM Scrapbooking/Cardmaking – 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Fri, 1/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Computer-Based Tutoring – 7:15 AM – 8:15 AM Community Meetings
Other Important Reminders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1/9 – 2nd Quarterly Exams Begin; Home & School Meeting (6:00 PM) 1/11 – New Teacher Induction 1/13 – Movie Night (Gr. 2-6 ONLY) – 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM 	



High School:

Mon, 1/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NEW YEAR'S DAY (OBSERVED) – NO SCHOOL
Tue, 1/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day School Resumes for Staff and Students Morning Tutoring – 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM Boys Basketball Practice Girls Basketball Practice FREE Finance Lesson for Adults – 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Wed, 1/4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Morning Tutoring – 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM Boys Basketball Practice Girls Basketball Game vs. Mastbaum – 3:15 PM FREE Adult ESL Class – 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Thu, 1/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Day Morning Tutoring – 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM Boys Basketball Game vs SLA – 3:15 PM Girls Basketball Practice U.S. Naval Sea Cadets
Fri, 1/6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Day Morning Tutoring – 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM
Other Important Reminders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1/9 – Midterms Begin; Home & School Meeting (6:00 PM) 1/11 – New Teacher Induction 1/11-1/12 – English Literature Keystone Examinations 1/13 – Winter Formal – 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM 	



Bravo Zulu!



Recognizing success and points of pride around MACHS

CEO Mr. Poznek Puckered up For a Good Cause

Back in September, middle school cadets sold KidStuff Coupon books to help raise money that would go towards TruMark Financial Credit Union's Annual "Kiss a Pig" Fundraiser. During the event that took place at the Abington Arts Center, participants from organizations took turns "kissing" a pig. Representing our school was our CEO, Mr. Edward Poznek. From this fundraiser, we are proud to announce that last month, Maritime Academy Charter School received a \$5,300.00 grant from the Building Financial Futures of The Philadelphia Foundation, following a recommendation by Ms. Randi Marmar. The middle school plans on purchasing class sets of calculators. We extend our gratitude to the many supporters who made this generous donation possible. We look forward to more footage on how this grant will enhance the learning experience of our cadets!



CEO Mr. Poznek gets ready to kiss a pig

This Month's Counseling Theme: Self Care

Oftentimes, we're the parent who's packing lunches and balancing work and home, the teacher who just doesn't have enough time, or the student who can't figure out who they're supposed to be. For all of us, we can take some time in our lives for self care. So what is self care? Simply, it's finding time to ensure our body, mind, and soul are healthy. Middle school cadets will be working with our guidance counselor, **Mrs. Charles**, throughout the month of January, but here are a few self care ideas to try:

- **Eliminate negative people from your life.**
- **Go an hour without any electronic devices.**
- **Dance to your favorite song(s).**
- **Use 15 minutes to write out your thoughts.**

For more suggestions, visit this [blog](#) by Ellen Bard.

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Lighting the Way

Maritime industry news that guides our students towards understanding

Port of Philadelphia Expected to Undergo \$300-Million Overhaul

The Port of Philadelphia has been involved in international commerce for over 300 years. **Governor Tom Wolf** recently pledged \$300 million to go towards improvements in its ports, warehousing, and equipment. These massive upgrades are sure to present the Port of Philadelphia as a premier port for businesses around the world. This initiative will create a 70% increase in jobs and will generate over \$100 million in revenue each year. The area that will receive the majority of funding will be the Packer Avenue Marine Terminal, which expects to expand its container facilities and modernizing equipment. In addition to this massive maritime facility, the Port of Philadelphia's automobile-handling operation and the Tioga Marine Terminal will also benefit from these allocated funds. Updates are expected to continue until 2020.

Such changes affect our cadets in a variety of ways. Not only are board members and other partnerships stationed along our ports, but those entering the work field in the next few years might find employment opportunities as a result of the extensive work that will be taking place. Above all, Governor Wolf's decision to pledge money towards upgrading our ports reminds us how vital the maritime industry is to the food, automobile, and textile industries.



A Few Final Remarks and a Preview for Next Week

As we return to our routines after a hopefully restful winter break, we remind you of these many upcoming events:

- There are still openings for our **Adult ESL Classes** and **Finance Lessons for Adults**. Both are offered at our high school campus and are FREE of charge. Dinner is also provided. For more information, please contact either Mr. Lytz (lytz.b@maritimecharter.org) or **Mr. Walsh** (walsh.s@maritimecharter.org).
- **Community Meetings** will take place in the middle school this **Thursday (1/5/17)** and **Friday (1/6/17)**. During this time, Cadets of the Month will be recognized.
- On **Monday, December 9th**, there will be **Home and School Meetings** for both the middle school and the high school. Each of the meetings will begin at **6:00 PM** at their respective buildings. For the middle school, there will be a potluck dinner. Please send an e-mail to mshomeandschool@maritimecharter.org to state what appetizer, entree, or dessert you plan on bringing. We hope to see you there!
- Next Friday (1/13/17), there are exciting events taking place at each school. For cadets in grade 2 through 6, the Home & School Association will host a **FREE Movie Night**. Flyers will be mailed home this week. For the high school, however, they will be enjoying a **Winter Formal**. Check our website for more information as it becomes available.
- Finally, our 4th Annual MLK "Day of Service" is fast approaching! If you would like to donate your time, talent, or treasure to our volunteering event, please contact Ms. Fanega (fanega.d@maritimecharter.org) to find out how you can help!

2016 was a fantastic year, and we look forward to 2017 being just as wonderful because of people like YOU!

Do you have news to share? Send your pictures, stories, and ideas to newsletter@maritimecharter.org.