Running With the Bulls 5K

The “5th Annual Running With the Bulls: Toros 5K” takes off on February 3, 2018. Hundreds of people will line up to walk, jog and run at this all-for-charity event.

Organized by the MVHS Student Council, all proceeds go to AZBrainfood (helping to feed hungry children in Mesa) and The Make-a-Wish Foundation (granting a wish for children with terminal diseases).

Pick up your packet early at Road Runner Sports in Tempe on Thursday, February 1, from 4-7 p.m. or at Toro Stadium on Friday, February 2, from 4-7 p.m.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - RACE DAY
Toro Stadium @ Mountain View High School / 2700 E Brown Road, Mesa (Stadium on Lindsay)
(Tip: Pick up your packets Thursday or Friday!)

7 a.m.   Late registration and packet pickup opens at Toro Stadium
7:30 a.m. Bounce house and exhibitors open
8:30 a.m. Registration and packet pick-up closes
8:45 a.m. Kids 1/4 Mile Fun Run
9:00 a.m. 5K Starts!
10:00 a.m. Awards presented to winner in each category
11:00 a.m. Exhibitors and bounce houses shut down

WHAT’S INCLUDED? ALL REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE
- A commemorative technical shirt
- A special Toro “medal”
- A fun course with two aid stations on the 5K route
- Professional chip timing
- Field events (bounce houses, DJ)
- Finish line refreshments, massage, etc for participants
- A good feeling for helping out two great charities
- Professional photography available and a backdrop for selfies.

A Special “Thank You” To all of our 2018 Sponsors – especially Wright Orthodontics

GOLD SPONSORS – The Adams Agency / Firehouse Subs (Lindsay/McKellips) / Dr. Edward Christensen Oral Surgery (OMA) / Massage Envy (Power/McKellips) / Paramount Capital / Superstition Endodontics / Let’s Play Music / Desert Sun Pediatric Dentistry / Val Vista Select / Gilbert Road Dental Care / SLFX

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PARENTS – LOOKING FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA?

Give your student the gift of a yearbook. Books are available for pre-order through December 22nd and won’t be available again until they are released in May (when supplies are limited). Contact the Mountain View bookstore, today, and guarantee your student a 2017-2018 all-color yearbook.

http://www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/bookstore/

News from the Library Resource Center

CHECK OUT THE LIBRARY’S HOME PAGE!
Search for available books for check out, access databases, and the online library catalog. Go to:
www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/academics/media_center

RESEARCH DATABASES AVAILABLE ONLINE
When research information is needed, have your student start with the MPS databases. They are current, accurate and free for MPS students. Go to:

STUDENT CHARGING STATIONS
The library has laptop charging stations for student use before school, during both lunches, and after school. Bring your charger.

If you’re applying to college, or need to send your transcript to an employer or to other destinations, you’ve already got plenty of forms to fill out. Instead, place your transcript requests online with Secure Transcript™ — the safe, paperless way to send transcripts directly to the destinations you choose.

It’s easy, it’s secure, and it’s available 24/7.

Here’s how:
Sign up by identifying your school and provide some information about yourself, including your email address. Choose the destinations where you want to send your transcripts. Sign off by paying online — there’s a small fee per transcript — and you’re done.

We’ll send out official transcripts, checked and approved by your school. We’ll email you to confirm that they’ve gone out. For colleges (and other destinations) that accept transcripts electronically, we’ll even confirm when they receive them.

www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/about_us/transcript/

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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ATTENDANCE REMINDER — Attendance appeals are due by Wednesday, December 13, to the Attendance Office.
Blended Learning News

The district continually strives to provide a safe, yet robust web experience for students and staff. As the sophistication of Internet traffic (legitimate and malicious) increases, we must ensure our system is capable of meeting this goal.

The district recently transitioned to a new web filter and updated the categories of web content that are blocked on the district network. Blocked content is limited to any content that is required to comply with the Children's Internet Protection Act, or CIPA, and a few additional categories. Our focus is on developing good digital citizenship in our students, which includes making good choices about the content they access.

We're sharing this with you as it changes some of the information we provided during the 1:1 technology rollout meetings. In particular, students now have access to social media on their district devices. As a parent, whether or not your child is allowed to have a social media account remains your choice.

Today’s youth are growing up in a digital age that has introduced paths we never imagined they would have to navigate. Parent University (mpsaz.org/parentu), a free program through Mesa Public Schools, is hosting several showings of, and discussions around, an informative documentary film titled “SCREENAGERS: Growing Up in the Digital Age.”

This documentary reveals how tech time impacts kids’ development and offers solutions on how adults can empower children to best navigate the digital world to find balance. Parents are encouraged to attend one of the upcoming showings:

Tuesday, December 19, at Westwood High School, 6 p.m.
Thursday, January 18, at Dobson High School, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, February 27, at Red Mountain High School, 6 p.m.

Thank you for your continued support of Mountain View High School and the programs we offer to ensure your child graduates ready for college, career and community.
Mesa City Sports Hall of Fame Inductees

On Monday, November 20, athletes, coaches and teams were inducted into the Mesa City Sports Hall of Fame 26th Anniversary. After the SRP Breakfast of Champs for all present and past inductees, the new inductees were greeted in a public reception at the Red Mountain High School Auditorium. At 7:00 p.m. the Induction Ceremony welcomed 10 Hall of Famers and four State Championship Teams from Mesa high schools into the Mesa City Sports Hall of Fame – including one Toro athlete, a Toro coach and two MVHS championship teams. Go to mesasports.org for information on all the athletes, coaches and teams inducted.

Amy Allen Hartnett – MVHS – 1995
Amy Allen led the Mountain View girls Track and Field team to the state championship title in 1995. Allen was the state champion in the 100, 200, and 400 meters and topped off her incredible performance anchoring the state champion 4x400 relay team. She was awarded the Outstanding Track and Field Athlete Award for her performance and received a track scholarship to Northern Arizona University.

Coach Robbie Robinson – MVHS Track
While coaching boys Track at Mountain View, Coach Robinson’s teams won four state championships, were runner-ups seven times and had several other top five finishes. Robinson’s teams won 17 consecutive East Valley Region championships and over 90% of their competitions. He was named NHSACA Region Coach of the Year four times and National Coach of the Year once.

Coach Robinson also served as an assistant football coach and was a member of five state championship teams. He has served as the AIA Track Sports Advisory Committee, President of the NHSACA and been a featured speaker at numerous coaching clinics.
Sign up for Remind.com
Sign up to receive text messages of upcoming visits, new scholarships, meetings, and all of the great things happening through our Career Center and Student Advisement office. Most student advisors have a remind.com account set up for their seniors. If you are a senior, check with your advisor.

This is a free service, but standard text messages rates apply. **Text: @visits2018 / To: 81010**

### 2018-2019 Registration

Although the school year is only half over, the administration and advisement staff are planning for the 2018-2019 school year. By late January, students will receive registration information and will have several days to select courses for the following year. We ask students to (1) refer to their specific diploma requirements and their graduation status reports on their Student Portal, (2) get input from their teachers, parents, and advisors, and (3) carefully select appropriate classes. Please assist your student in this process by doing the following:

1. Help your students carefully select the appropriate classes
2. Sign the registration form
3. Return the form to school on time

**Thank you**, in advance, from the Advisement Department for your attention to this important task.

**Jan. 22** Registration Materials for 9th, 10th, 11th will be distributed through English

**Jan. 26** All School Advisement Day

**Jan. 29** Registration Forms due to English teachers

**Feb. 13** Registration for Stapley Junior High 8th graders

**Feb. 15** Registration for Poston Junior High 8th graders

**Feb. 20** 8th Grade Parent Meeting in MVHS Auditorium @ 6:30 p.m.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO AP EXAMS**

AP students and families—mark your calendars! AP exams will be given at Mountain View starting on May 7, 2018. Exams must be ordered early, and our ordering window is January 22–February 9. Students will hear more information about ordering and testing when **(advisement news continued below)**
we visit their AP classrooms. They will receive an order form in class to complete and take it to the bookstore with a $20 nonrefundable deposit for each exam. The total cost for each 2018 AP exam is $94 with the remaining $74 per exam due by April 20.

AP exams are excellent investments. While $94 seems expensive, the college credits earned through the exams are completely free. Earning qualifying scores on AP exams can save a student thousands of dollars in college tuition—the equivalent of some very prestigious scholarships. While scholarships save dollars, AP credits save both dollars and TIME. Every year, Mountain View has graduates who enter college as sophomores, and sometimes even juniors, by earning AP credits in high school.

AP students should be researching their colleges’ specific AP credit award policies. Information is available at www.collegeboard.org. Follow the links for “Find a College” and “AP Credit and Placement Policies.”

AP students are reminded to set aside money for exam fees. If students start saving $5 per week per exam, all AP fees will be covered with enough left over for snacks for those late night study sessions.

Students enrolled in the free/reduced lunch program will receive a fee waiver to cover a portion of their AP exams. All AP students who qualify should immediately enroll in the federal lunch program regardless of whether they eat lunch on campus. To see if you are eligible, apply at www.mpsaz.org/food as soon as possible.

Remember, if you are in an AP class you take the AP exam. You can do it!

**ATTENTION PARENTS!**

Do you want to check on your student’s grades? Do you want to keep track of your student’s attendance? Do you want access to teachers’ email addresses? Stop by the Attendance Office with your picture ID to activate your Parent Portal.

**SCHOLARSHIP BULLETIN NEWS**

All of the Mesa high schools are now contributing to a district-wide Scholarship Bulletin. This new bulletin is updated as soon as each new scholarship opportunity is received. Please check out our link at: http://www.mpsaz.org/scholarships

**RESOURCES**

The Career Center (Room 235) houses information on scholarships, careers, colleges, community colleges, vocational programs, military options and many other opportunities. Equipped with 32 computers, the Career Center gives students easy access to educational and career information.

**TORO TIPS**

Toro Tips is online! Toro Tips highlights career and educational information, identifies university/community college campus visits, provides updated scholarship information, and much, much more. Subscribe online to have the most recent articles emailed to you.

**ORDER YOUR TRANSCRIPTS ONLINE!**

Unless you need a transcript to include with other paperwork – especially for a scholarship – continue to use Parchment for your requests. All Arizona universities and community colleges prefer electronic transcripts.

It’s easy! Just go to the Mountain View Home page at http://www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/ and click on the rectangle called “Request My Transcripts.”

This will take you to Parchment where you’ll already be recognized as a Mountain View student.

www.parchment.com/u/registration/4885/account
Military Service Academies

ATTENTION JUNIORS:
UNITED STATES SERVICE ACADEMIES

Is a service academy in your future?
Are you interested in a high quality, college education?
Do you possess strong academic and leadership skills?
Are you athletically inclined with a commitment to personal fitness? Are you mentally capable of handling stressful situations?

If you possess these qualities, you may be the type of student qualified for enrollment in a United States Service Academy.

The application process to a United States Service Academy starts in February of your junior year. If you are interested in finding out more about the Air Force Academy, the Naval Academy, West Point, or the Merchant Marines – and the application process – see Ms. Schultz in the Advisement Office before semester break.

SERVICE ACADEMY SUMMER SEMINARS
APPLY AS SOON POSSIBLE!

During the summer, each Service Academy hosts weeklong Summer Seminars. The goal of the seminar is to introduce students to the life and aspects of a Service Academy. Check out each of the Service Academy’s website for the most accurate information, specific dates, and tuition. If you have additional questions, please see Ms. Schultz in the Advisement Office as soon as possible.

There are five Service Academies in the United States. If you are interested in attending the Air Force, Naval, Military, Merchant Marine, or Coast Guard Academy, please see Ms. Schultz in the Advisement Office by the end of February. Preparation for the application process begins this spring. These are critical steps in the process:

1. Register to take either the ACT or SAT exams in the spring of your junior year.

2. Make sure your Mountain View schedule reflects classes that demonstrate rigorous and challenging college preparatory curriculum. Performing well in an Advanced Placement class will help prepare you for the academics offered at the academies.

Academies look for individuals who demonstrate academic excellence, as well as athletic ability, leadership, and community service. The profile of a typical cadet includes the following composites:

- 60% Academic – High school performance, grades, and SAT/ACT scores
- 20% Extracurricular – Athletic participation, leadership positions (scouts, school clubs, class officer) public/community involvement and work experience
- 20% Admissions Panel – Faculty/staff review and Admissions Liaison Officer interview
MCC Dates, Dual Enrollment and PSAT

IMPORTANT MCC DATES FOR SENIORS
Students planning to attend Mesa Community College must complete the MCC application and placement testing. Students can complete the application by attending an application workshop, setting up an appointment with Ms. Wong (the MCC advisor), or by completing it online at admissions.maricopa.edu. Students must complete the application before taking the placement tests. See below for application workshop and placement testing dates at Mountain View:

- Thur., Feb. 15: Application Workshop
- Tue., Mar. 6: Application Workshop
- Thur., Mar. 29: Placement Testing

Students can sign up for these dates at Ms. Wong’s office. Please look out for sign-up deadlines in the spring in Toro Tips and on the daily announcements. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Wong at (480) 299-0495 or email Jessica.wong@mesacc.edu.

DUAL ENROLLMENT
Current dual enrollment students in English, Spanish, French, Sign Language, or Marketing II, must complete the dual enrollment registration process for the spring 2018 semester. Registration packets will be distributed before winter break and are due to Ms. Wong at Mountain View, by February 5, 2018, or to the MCC campus by February 12, 2018.

Students who received tuition assistance in the fall for these courses must complete a tuition assistance renewal application by January 13, 2018, to be given priority award status. Students who did not receive tuition assistance last semester but who would like to apply this semester must apply by January 19, 2018.

Please note that funding priority will be given to students currently receiving tuition assistance for fall 2017. If your student is interested in taking dual enrollment classes next year, please be on the lookout for the Mountain View registration packet that will be sent home in January/February. Classes that are eligible for dual enrollment will be marked. If you have questions, please contact Ms. Wong at (480) 299-0495 or email Jessica.wong@mesacc.edu.

FROM JESSICA WONG, MCC ADVISOR at MVHS
I am thrilled to be the new Mesa Community College Advisor located full-time at MVHS. My role was created out of a partnership between Mesa Public Schools and MCC to house an advisor in each of the six Mesa Public High Schools.

My goals are to create a seamless transition for seniors looking to attend MCC after graduation, provide advisement and support for students exploring college options, and help facilitate involvement in our early college programs – including dual enrollment, Achieving a College Education (ACE), and Hoop of Learning. I am so excited to support student success and promote a culture of college and career readiness!

Feel free to stop by my office in the Small Conference Room, contact me at (480) 472-6929, or email at jessica.wong@mesacc.edu.

PSAT RESULTS
PSAT results should arrive in late December or early January. Students should listen for announcements regarding the pickup of their scores. Students will also be able to access their scores online and can link their scores on collegeboard.org to Khan Academy for personalized practice for the SAT test. To see more information on PSAT results, go to the Student Advisement website and click on PSAT.

ADVICEMENT ASSIGNMENTS
MVHS advisors are available to work with students in educational, personal/social, and career/occupational areas. Students are assigned an advisor according to their last name. Please call Mrs. Gardner at (480) 472-6917 to make an appointment with your child’s advisor. Advisors are available from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students may schedule appointments by going to the Advisement Office before school, during lunch, or after school.
AVID News

AVID at Mountain View is currently accepting applications for new students in grades 8–10. AVID is a college readiness system that gives middle-of-the-road and minority students extra assistance as they prepare for college.

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) is designed to give students support in critical thinking, writing, reading, time management, note-taking, and teamwork. In this elective class, students receive assistance taking standardized tests, applying to colleges, and finding scholarships.

In 2016, 90% of AVID seniors completed the academic requirements for university entrance, and 78% of AVID students were accepted to four-year universities. Since an important goal of AVID is to increase a student's ability to succeed in rigorous classes, 65% of AVID seniors took at least one AP (Advanced Placement) exam.

More importantly, 85% of students from an AVID program who enter a university continued from freshman into sophomore year. The national average for college students continuing from freshman to sophomore year is only 65%. AVID improves a student's chance of success in college.

For more information about AVID for the 2018-2019 school year, go to the Mesa Public Schools webpage at http://www.mpsaz.org/avid/. You can also call the Mountain View AVID coordinator, Ms. Disbrow, at (480) 308-5718 for more information. If you feel your child would benefit from the assistance AVID offers, please have your child apply. Go to the district website at http://www.mpsaz.org/avid/studentapplication/ for the application.
Get ready to ignite the most powerful thing you have ... your imagination.

Mountain View High School’s Project Lead the Way Engineering classroom is unlike any other you’ve ever been in.

It’s a space filled with the latest design software, advanced materials and cutting-edge equipment. It’s a place that’s buzzing with project-based assignments, like programming robots and three-dimensional designs.

Where facts and figures are turned into ingenuity and inventiveness. Where the four walls of the classroom open up and lead to real-world challenges, careers, and opportunities — from energy and the environment, to electronics and aerospace, to transportation and technology.

It’s collaborative. It’s creative. It’s critical thinking. It’s centered on the vital fields of learning and essential professions needed in the world today and tomorrow. Turn your IMAGINATION into an education with the PLTW Engineering Program of study:

IT 41: Introduction to Engineering Design
IT 43: Principles of Engineering

For more information, go to: www.mpsaz.org/cte/program

MVHS Transition Team
Mountain View’s Transition Team can help you find the right employment fields, training opportunities, resources, apprenticeships, and advocacy groups. Every TORO can be successful. Let Mrs. Whitlock help you know where to start.

Visit Mrs. Whitlock’s Mountain View webpage for parent and student resources.

www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/staff/rmwhitlock/.

Click on Transition Tips News Report for events and programs from around the East Valley.

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http://www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/bookstore/

La Vista – Mountain View’s nationally recognized, award winning yearbook

Notice of Nondiscrimination
Mesa Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex or gender, sexual orientation, disability or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

Compliance officer for Title IX
Mr. Pete Lesar, associate superintendent
63 E. Main St., Suite 101
Mesa, AZ 85201-7422
(480) 472-0205

Compliance officer for Section 504
Mrs. Jan Cawthorne, executive director of special education
1025 N. Country Club Dr.
Mesa, AZ 85201-3307
(480) 472-0710
Featured at the Bulls’ Eye

Do you need ideas for Christmas? The Bull’s Eye Student Store has a wide variety of Mountain View gear and spirit items.

The new MVT two color adjustable hat – in both red & white or blue & white is only $15. We still carry our solid red or blue flex hats for just $20. Another new item is our two-color large sport duffle bags in red & gray and blue & gray for $30.

IN STOCK NOW – We have this year’s 2018 Senior Shirts, Game Day Shirts, the black Bull Pen Shirt only $15 each.

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST – The Toro Athletics white, long sleeve shirt “This Is Our House” costs only $20. Back this year is the popular red, white, and blue Camo Shirt, also for $20. We even have a few youth sizes.

Other popular choices include hoodies and zippered sweatshirts for $25-30, Polos solid color or two color for $30, extended polo sizes 2XL-4XL for $35, and sweat pants for $15.

Kids’ sizes are available in a gray Toro shirt from 2T to Youth XL for only $8. The store also has front license plates $5, stickers $3, lanyards $5 or $7, visors $12, bling visors $15, sunglasses $5, stuffed toy red bulls $10, lapel pins $3, and water bottles $5.

COMING SOON – Red or blue neoprene computer bags made to fit students devices.

HOURS OF OPERATION – The Bull’s Eye is open from 6:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday hours are 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Payment can be made by check or card if the purchase amount totals more than $10. Cash payments work as well.

http://www.mpsaz.org/mtnview/student-store/
One–Stop Holiday Shopping at the Bulls’ Eye

The red, white, and blue “Camo Shirt”
only $20

The Bull Pen Shirt – only $15 each

The red and black, “Two-Color Polo Shirt”
only $20

The blue and black, “Two-Color Polo Shirt”
only $20

Shirts, sweats, hats, lanyards, water bottles, license plates ... and more at your Bull’s Eye student store.

Hours of Operation: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 6:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. / Wednesday 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. / For more information or questions, go the Bull’s Eye website for all your Toro needs.

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