TAKE FLIGHT

YOUR GUIDE TO WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MILL CREEK

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CLINIC MEDICATION PICK UP

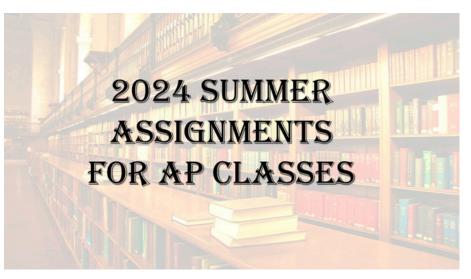
All medication in the clinic must be picked up by a parent/guardian by the last day of school, Wednesday, 5/22/2024. Any medication not picked up will be disposed of by the school on Wednesday, 5/22/24.

Any medication needed by a student along with the administration request form must be renewed each school year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or email

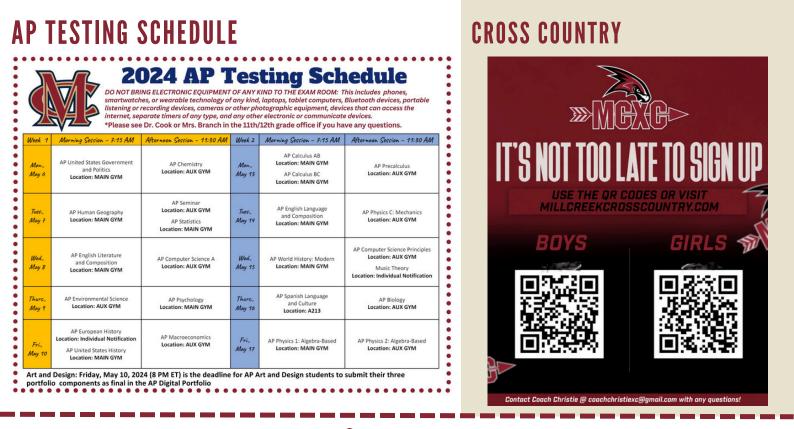
the clinic. Candy Fleming Jessica LaPointe phone (678) 714-5890 email <u>candy.fleming@gcpsk12.org</u> jessica.lapointe@gcpsk12.org

AP SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS



Click below for a full list of AP classes and any required summer assignments for each.

AP Summer Assignment List



GRADUATION REMINDERS

Graduation Practice: Students should arrive for graduation practice on May 22nd at 8:30 am (same day as ceremony). Attendance at graduation practice is mandatory for students to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students must make arrangements to attend practice and be present for the entire practice, in order to receive tickets for the graduation ceremony. Students should dress casually for practice (no cap and gown). The graduation dress code does not need to be followed at practice.

- If any emergency arises to prevent a student from attending practice, contact Ms. Gross immediately in room B213 or @ jody.gross@gcpsk12.org.
- Students who do not practice will not march AND will not receive tickets.

**Seniors will take their last 2 finals early, so the last day of school will be open for graduation practice in the morning with graduation that night.

Graduation Ceremony: Graduation is May 22nd at 8:00pm on Markham Field at Mill Creek Community Stadium. Each senior will receive 12 tickets. These will be distributed at graduation practice. For the ceremony, students will need to report to the Mill Creek Commons by 6:00pm. As we communicated at the meeting in the fall, you are strongly discouraged from scheduling your students appointments or events on the day of graduation.

Reminders about tickets: As stated above, each senior gets 12 tickers. Eight of these will be a gold color and four will be blue. Both colors can be used, if the ceremony is held in the stadium. If the ceremony has to be moved indoors for any reason, ONLY the blue tickets can be used. No gold tickets will be allowed for an indoor event, so the blue tickets should be given to guests with highest priority for attendance. Moving the ceremony indoors will be the absolute last resort and we will make every effort to have the ceremony on Wednesday May 22nd in the stadium. We will communicate any necessary changes as needed, but hope it will not be necessary. Please see the video from the parent meeting in November when Mr. Lane discussed protocol regarding possible inclement weather.

Ceremony Make-up Options: We will make EVERY effort to have the ceremony at the scheduled time and in the stadium. If necessary, however, here are the possible changes in the order in which they would be attempted:

- 1) Thursday Morning in the stadium
- 2) Thursday Evening in the stadium
- 3) Friday Morning (in the gym and only the 4 blue tickets would be allowed)
- **Communication about ceremony start and report times will be communicated as needed.



GRADUATION REMINDERS (*Continued*)

Please remind all guests in your party about the following:



• The following are **not allowed** into the ceremony: noisemakers, coolers, balloons, pets (unless you have paperwork designating it as a service animal), fatheads, or anything else that could block or impede other guests from viewing or hearing the ceremony.

• Our Clear Bag policy will be enforced. Detailed information is linked HERE.

Graduation Ceremony Parking: Campus parking will open at 4:00pm. You will **NOT** be allowed to park on campus before this time. Gates will open at 6:00PM. Due to the amount of people on campus for the ceremony, seniors are NOT allowed to park on campus for the ceremony, but they can ride with guests or be dropped off at the front of the school. Campus parking will be reserved for guests and school employees only.

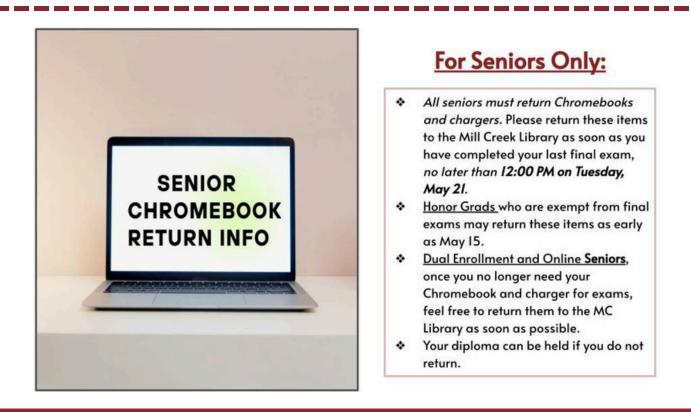
Students who are driving themselves should park at **12 Stone Church located at 3858 Braselton Hwy, Buford, GA 30519**. Charter bus shuttles will transport students from the church parking lot to the school starting at 5:00pm. The shuttle services will continue after the ceremony until approximately 11:00pm.

Graduation Dress Code for Students: Specifics regarding dress code can be found here. Dress code will be enforced, so please be sure to familiarize yourself with the policy to avoid any issues on the day of the ceremony. Student

Electronic Device Policy: Students are **NOT allowed to have their cell phones** or any electronic devices once they report back for the ceremony the evening of graduation. This helps us maintain an efficient and nice ceremony for all involved. If students have a phone or device, these will be collected and can be picked up after the ceremony. *Please discuss with your guests and senior where you should meet after the ceremony prior to graduation day.*

Textbook, Chromebook, Library, and other potential fees: **ALL fees** must be paid, in order for a student to participate in the ceremony and to receive a diploma. Please be sure to check StudentVue to ensure that all fees have been paid, if applicable, before graduation day. This will keep you from any potential further delays on graduation day.

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FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE AND REMINDERS

MCHS Final Exam Schedule							
Friday May 17	Monday May 20	Tuesday May 21	Wednesday May 22				
ALL STUDENTS	ALL STUDENTS	ALL STUDENTS	9th - 11th Grade ONLY				
1st (SENIORS ONLY 1/2 exam): 7:20 - 8:20	4th PERIOD EXAM: 7:20 to 9:25	5th PERIOD EXAM: 7:20 to 9:25	6th PERIOD EXAM: 7:20 to 9:25				
2nd: 8:26 - 8:59							
3rd: 9:05 - 9:38	9:35 to 11:45	3rd PERIOD EXAM: 9:35 to 11:45	1st PERIOD EXAM: 9:35 to 11:45				
4th: 9:44 - 10:17							
5th: 10:23 - 10:56			SENIORS MUST PARTICIPATE IN				
6th (SENIORS ONLY 1/2 exam): 11:02 - 12:02			GRADUATION PRACTICE @ 8:30AM				
7th PERIOD EXAM (ALL STUDENTS): 12:10 - 2:10		*ALL SENIOR EXAMS END TODAY!	TIME CORRECTION				
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Please remember check outs are <u>NOT</u> allowed during exams.

ACADEMICS MEET COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our anatomy classes are wrapping up a year-long project by serving those in need! As part of the project classes held a drive for baby essentials which produced some amazing results!

This was the culmination of a 40-week "pregnancy project" where students have followed a "pregnancy" in real time since the beginning of school. Each week the students have been entering information into a "pregnancy journal" all year about the development of the growing embryo/fetus/baby as well as tracking the mother's progress and symptoms

Each class "got pregnant" the first week of school, found out the gender of the baby at week 14 (Ms Sawyer's class had a Girl, Mr. Harbin's class had a Boy) - picked out names in a round-robin elimination style game and covered all milestones of pregnancy throughout the year. They are ending our journal back where they started with a study of the reproductive system and how fertilization happens at the cellular level.

Next week is our week 40 and the project is officially "full term."

All the donations were taken by Noor Family Services in Suwanee to be distributed to both The Drake House which helps give homes to homeless women and victims of domestic abuse and local DFCS offices.

In total, the classes donated 2000+ diapers! Also included were baby wipes, baby shampoo, baby powder, clothing, toys, blankets, and various toiletries for both mother and baby (toothpaste, deodorant, mouthwash, etc.)









DRIVER'S EDUCATION

Driver's Education Program

Online Self-Paced Module Course (30 hours) Cost: \$65.00

Behind the Wheel Training 6 hours with a Mill Creek instructor Cost: \$280.00*

DEVICE RETURN

Device Return

Devices will be

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Note:



Seniors: Return Chromebooks and chargers to the

library as soon as you are done with your last final exam, no later than 12:00PM on Tuesday, May 21. Honor Grads who are exempt from final exams may return these items as early as May 15.

• Grades 9–11: KEEP your Chromebook and charger over

the summer. Please store your devices at home in a safe place. Do not leave them in your car or take them

on vacation when you travel. You will continue to use the same device and charger next school year. *If you

are NOT returning to Mill Creek next year, return your

Chromebook and charger once your final exams are

complete, no later than 12:00PM on Wednesday, May 22. You will get a new device at your new school.

Click on the Driver's Education

link for more information

UPDATES FROM THE MC CAFE

- The cafeteria is now serving all a la carte items at the breakfast stations in the commons area.
- As a reminder, the cafeteria will be serving breakfast and all a la care items on our early release exam days, May 20-22.

ACADEMIC RESOURCES!



Free SAT/ACT Practice Tests SAT/ACT 1:1 Prep & Courses Academic Subject 1:1 Tutoring College Admissions Advising Summer Programs

Now Enrolling for Summer

SAT/ACT Prep • College Apps • Booster Program

Summer SAT/ACT Prep

1:1 Individual Prep or Group Courses SAT Prep Starts: May 4, Jun 27, Jul 27 ACT Prep Starts: Jun 10, Aug 10 Additional courses and options on website

College Applications

College Admissions Advising • Essay Editing Application Review • Resumes

Summer Booster Program

Sharpen skills in K-12 Math, Science, English 1:1 Expert Tutoring • Avoid Learning Loss • Get ahead for fall AP classes

Suwanee Town Center Park • Live Online





DROP/ADD 2024

Drop/Add April 12-May 24, 2024

What is Drop/Add?

An opportunity for students to drop a class(es) they no longer want and add a class(es) they do want for the 2024-2025 school year.

How do I see my classes for 2024-2025? StudentVue under Course Request

How do I request a change to my classes for 2024-2025?

 Complete the DIGITAL Drop/Add form linked in the OR code.



Reminders:



This is the LAST opportunity you will have to make changes for the 2024-2025 school year.

There will be **NO changes** made during the summer or at the start of the 2024-2025 school year.

Drop/Add requests are NOT guaranteed and will be granted based on availability, completion of required prerequisites, etc.

Drop/Add Form

A NOTE FROM OUR SENIOR SPONSORS

Dues: Dues cover all graduation related expenses and senior events. They DO NOT cover Prom, any sort of pictures, a yearbook, or any additional items you may want to buy to commemorate this year. **Dues are paid directly to Scholastic Images.** Dues can be paid **online** <u>**HERE**</u>.

\$165 plus a \$20 Scholastic Images late fee starting 3/1/24
Any dues paid starting 4/15/24 will also include a Scholastic Images
\$15 shipping fee, since this will be too late to include in the mass cap and gown delivery and pick up on 4/15/24

If you missed the November 2nd parent/guardian meeting, the presentation and video are available on our website **<u>HERE</u>**.

Please follow us on Instagram at @mill_creek_seniors to stay up to date on all senior information. We also invite you to visit the <u>Senior</u> <u>Class information pages</u> on our website! Thank you for your support,

Senior Sponsors: Jody Gross Andrew Holbrook Elizabeth Summerlin

BACCALAUREATE 2024

Mill Creek High School Seniors and Immediate Family Are Invited to Join Us For The

Class of 2024 Baccalaureate Service* Hamilton Mill United Methodist Church Sunday, May 19, 2024 3:00 PM

Cap and Gown Attire is Required to Participate *RSVP IS REQUIRED (please use the link below to RSVP)

Class of 2024 Baccalaureate RSVP Form

*This is not a mandatory event.

Students and immediate family must RSVP in advance to participate. We will live-broadcast the service for family and friends to enjoy from home. We are excited to offer this opportunity for out-of-town guests to view the service and be a part of this celebration. A link will be posted, with additional information, in May.

As a thank you to the church for hosting the service, we would like for our senior class to 'give back' by stocking the food pantry. Although not required to participate in the service, we would like all participants to consider bringing three canned goods on the day of the service. Donation drop-off baskets will be available upon arrival.

Donations needed include:

- Canned pasta
- Canned tuna and chicken
- Canned fruit
- Soup
- Peanut butter

HONORS NIGHT

Honors Night Thursday, May 16 at 7:00 pm

Invitations were sent out by email last week to students being recognized for Honors Night

Important details for student arrival, guest arrival, and venue information were included in the invitation, please read it thoroughly.

In addition to special awards and scholarships, seniors with at least a 90 average at the end of 1st semester will be recognized as Honor Graduates.

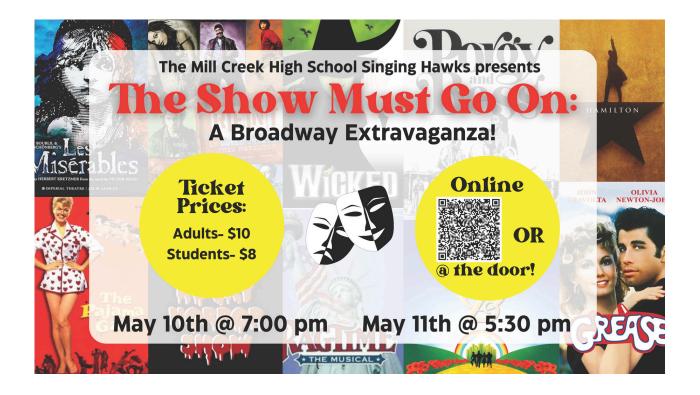


SUMMER CREDIT RECOVERY

Mill Creek Summer Credit Recovery is open for registration on MPP. Please note that Algebra Semester 2, Biology Semester 2, 11th Grade LA Semester 2, and US History Semester 2 are not available during Mill Creek High School Summer Credit Recovery. Students who need those classes must sign up for the GCPS Summer School Credit Recovery program.

		Sumr	mer Sessio	ns	
N	May		5/28-5/30; 9:00am - 12:00pm		
J	une		6/3-6/5; 9:00am - 12:00pm		
Courses offerings f	or Summer CR at	-	cience	Social Studies	Spanish
9th grade - S1 and S2	Algebra - S1 ONLY	Biology - S1 ONLY		World Geography - S1 and S2	Spanish 1 - S1 and S2
10th grade - S1 and S2	Geometry - S1 and S2	Chemistry - S1 and S2		World History - S 1 and S2	Spanish 2 - S1 and S2
11th grade - S1 ONLY	Algebra 2 - S1 and S2	Physics - S1 and S2		US History - S1 ONLY	Health/PE
12th grade - S1 and S2	AMDM - S1 and S2	Astronomy - S1 and S2		Economics	Health
			& Physiology and S2	Political Systems	

Please visit the link below for full details: <u>Credit Recovery</u>



DECA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE





Mill Creek DECA attended DECA's International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, CA from April 26-May 1. Approximately 23,000 students & advisors were in attendance. We took 18 DECA members that competed in 10 different events & attended leadership academies. Pearl & Yovel Yeboah placed TOP 20 IN THE WORLD in Business Solutions Project.



EPIC UPDATES

EPIC 9TH GRADE

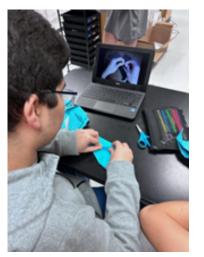
9th graders are working hard to finish up CO2 cars to wrap up the year. We are competing against the OMS Foundations class and will race the cars this Thursday. It is a great way for students to explore aerodynamic concepts, tool use, and to express their unique personalities through painting. In addition, the CO2 dragsters reinforce the gas laws in Chemistry. We can't wait to see how these cars race!



EPIC 10TH GRADE

10th grade Biology students are seeing how engineering design can be inspired through origami. In their language arts class, they are currently reading Project Hail Mary, in which engineering and scientific design is necessary to save the human race that has become an endangered species. Students are choosing to represent their own endangered animals through their origami to increase awareness and identify challenges these animals face.







32 SENIOR SPOTLIGHT-VICTORIA FREELAND

On Monday 4/22, Victoria signed her National Letter of Intent to pole vault next year for The University of Alabama at Birmingham. She is receiving both academic and athletic scholarships and we could not be more proud of her. She truly is EPIC!



EPIC UPDATES (CONTINUED)

EPIC 11TH GRADE

Our EPIC juniors presented their Critical Design Reviews from the Mini-Capstone projects! We had a wide variety of completed prototypes and proof-of-concepts, ranging from aquaponics systems, to TI Rover lesson plans, to CO2-powered cars, and everything in between. The team holds their progress and results in high regard, and we are excited to end the semester on this high note!









SUMMER RESOURCES





Click the link below for a list of camps being offered throughout Gwinnett county this summer!



PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED AVAILABLE TO ALL STUDENTS GRADES PRE-K TO 12 A CONFIRMATION WILL BE SENT FOR ALL CONFIRMED APPOINTMENTS



MEDICAID UNWINDING

ATTENTION: Medicaid Members

Based on changes in the federal law, the State of Georgia began the Medicaid redetermination process in April 2023, and completion is expected by May 31, 2024. Every member was assigned a renewal month and deadline for completion. This process is to review an existing members continued eligibility for Medicaid, including Peachcare for kids. **EVERY GEORGIA MEDICAID MEMBER MUST RESPOND TO**

REQUEST FOR REQUIRED INFORMATION.

If you have not already gone through this process, log in to your Gateway account at <u>www.gateway.ga.gov</u> to make sure your Medicaid Contact Information is correct and check the month for your redetermination.

Need help? Visit your local Division of Family & Children Services office for support. To find the location and business hours for your local office visit: <u>www.dfcs.georgia.gov/locations</u>

If you need help reading this information or communicating with DFCS call 1-877-423-4746. Our services, including interpreters, are free. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, or have difficulty speaking, you can call us at the number above by dialing 711 (Georgia Relay).

If you are no longer eligible for Medicaid, you will be referred to the Federally Facilitated Marketplace for alternative coverage options. If you feel the denial decision was an error, you can appeal the decision by requesting a Fair Hearing within 30 days from the date of denial and potentially get your coverage retroactively reinstated.



IMMUNIZATION REMINDER

Georgia law requires children attending a school or childcare facility be protected from certain vaccine-preventable diseases. All students entering or transferring into 11th grade will need proof that they received a meningococcal booster vaccine (MCV4) <u>on</u> or after their 16th birthday.

Immunizations certificates marked with an expiration date must be replaced no later than 30 days after the date of expiration.

- MCV4 vaccines must be documented on Georgia Form 3231 Certificate of Immunization.
- Students who are not 16 years old do not have to get the vaccine until their 16th birthday.
- Note that this booster vaccine is required in addition to the MCV4 vaccine that was required for your child prior to his or her beginning 7th grade.

Please make sure your student's immunizations are up to date. We MUST have a current GEORGIA Certificate of Immunization (Form #3231) on file for each student enrolled at Mill Creek OR a notarized statement of religious exemption (Form #2208). A medical exemption, if applicable, should be noted on Form #3231 with a current date of expiration. We will be conducting an audit of our students and failure to comply can result in 2024-2025 fall schedules being held or withdrawn.

You can find more information on the Gwinnett County Public Schools website including Health Department information: <u>https://www.gcpsk12.org/Page/24295</u>

Hey. Medicaid Redetermination is Here.