

MADISON JR. HIGH NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2025

Principal's Message:

Dear Madison Junior High Families,

As we say goodbye to February and welcome March, we enter an important transition in the school year. The second trimester is coming to a close, and we are preparing to begin the final stretch of the academic year with the start of the third trimester. We are incredibly proud of our students' hard work and dedication and encourage them to finish strong! We are also deeply grateful for the unwavering commitment of our teachers and support staff—thank you for all you do!

Reflecting on Growth & Setting New Goals

John Dewey once said, "Arriving at one goal is the starting point to another." The transition between trimesters is a perfect time for students to reflect on their progress and set new goals for success. We encourage families to discuss study habits, organization, and strategies for staying motivated as we move into the final trimester. March is a season of renewal, and we want every student to feel confident and empowered in their learning journey.

Looking Ahead: Spring Events & Activities

With March comes longer days and a full calendar of exciting activities! We have a variety of events planned, including spring sports, student showcases, and end-of-year celebrations. Stay tuned for updates on upcoming field trips, performances, and other special events!

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in the Madison Junior High community. Let's make this final trimester the best one yet!

All the best,

MJH Admistrative Team

Wade Carlson
Jean Erickson
Josh Wilson

TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Name: George Wilson

Subject: Geometry & Algebra

My name is George Wilson, I am in my 28th year of teaching Math and other subjects in the Madison school district. I currently teach the best kids in the world Geometry and Algebra.

I was born in Arizona and moved to Idaho before my 6th grade year. I met my wife in a 7th grade Pre-Algebra class. Although we didn't get married for 9 years after. (You can't support a family with a 7th grade education. HAHA) We were in the same math classes from that point on, all the way through high school. I graduated from a school just south of Rexburg (Rigby Boo Hiss) and served a mission to Jacksonville, Florida. I graduated from Rick's College and Idaho State University. I have 5 kids and 8 grand kids. I love watching my family participate in as many activities as I can attend. My favorite part of teaching is the interaction I get with my students. As much as I love trying to help them in math, my real joy comes when I see my students years later and see them being successful in life.

Thanks, Mr. Wilson



EVENTS

Please see the attached schedules at the end of this newsletter for the following:
FINE ARTS 24-25
MJH Track Schedule
MHS Spring Sports

- 3/3 - Start of 3rd Trimester**
- 3/17 Virtual Day/Teacher Collaboration**
- 3/24-28 - Hope Week at MJH**

9th Grade Lagoon Trip:

All 9th graders are invited to attend this year's Lagoon trip!
Below are the key details:

When: May 9th, 2025

Departure: 6:00 AM (Be @ the school by 5:45 AM)

Return: 9:30 PM

Cost: \$100 per student / \$45 per chaperone

Student / Chaperone Payment Deadline: April 8th, 2025

Please note, we are using a charter bus service this year, which has increased the cost compared to previous years. The payment deadline is firm, as it aligns with the charter bus reservation deadline.

Bus seats are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Payments can be made to Mrs. Becraft in the front office.

If you have any questions or are a parent interested in chaperoning, please contact Mr. Stucki before the payment deadline.

From the MJH library:

The library has an Instagram page: @mjhlibrary! We have prizes (through the end of March) for students who follow and comment (one per day). Parents who follow and comment also count for prizes! We hope this will be a fun way to keep you up-to-date on what is going on in the library.

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Isle will be in the library on Friday, March 7 to distribute prizes for Idaho Teen Reading Challenge books that have been finished to date. We will also conduct a focus group that day for ITRC participants.

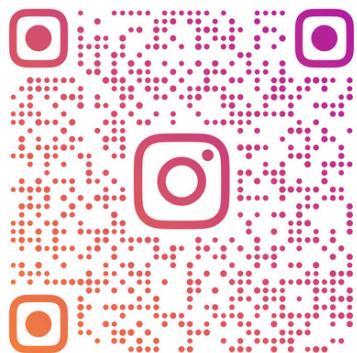
Please see the calendar on our website (mjhlibrary.weebly.com) for information on what crafts we will be making for Maker Days this month. We also have supplies for students who want to learn to crochet! We are starting with a simple project, and students can work on this any morning or lunchtime.

Finally, we are trying a new library schedule. Morning and lunchtime on Mondays and Wednesdays are open to all students regardless of the activity (within reason -- it is still a library), and the rest of the week is reserved for quiet or silent activities. We hope to strike a balance for all students.



News From the Hope Squad:

March means spring, and spring means warm weather! Hallelujah! March also brings Hope Week, a full week focused on positivity and activities to make every student in the school feel like they are part of the team. This year, our theme will be "You've Got a Friend in Me" from Toy Story. We're excited to remind everyone that we're all just a bunch of misfit toys that fit together pretty well. As always, please remember that the Hope Squad is a resource for anyone that needs a friend, help, or just a listening ear. Welcome to spring!



News From the MJH Counseling Office:

The second half of the school year can feel overwhelming with assignments, activities, and responsibilities piling up. If your teen is feeling stressed, remind them that the counseling office is here to help.

Together, we can work on time management, balancing commitments, and finding healthy ways to cope with stress. Encourage your teen to reach out if they need support—whether it's a listening ear or practical strategies to manage their workload.

Parents are welcome to contact the counselors as well with any concerns. Let's work together to make the rest of the year successful for everyone!

Mr. Alison-9th Grade
Mrs. King- 8th Grade
Mrs. Chase- 7th grade

HOPE WEEK at MJH March 24 - March 28

HOPE SQUAD

MADISON JR HIGH **TRACK** 2025

March 20th. 2:30pm. @ Ravsten Stadium

MADISON, SANDCREEK, & EAGLE ROCK

March 26th. 2:30pm. @ Madison HS

FARNSWORTH, RIGBY, & MADISON

April 2nd. 2:00pm. @ Bonneville HS

MADISON, MT VIEW, HOBBS, & ROCKY MT

April 10th. 3:30pm. @ Bonneville HS

MADISON, TAYLORVIEW, & SANDCREEK

April 23rd. 3:30pm. @ Rigby HS

MADISON, BLACK CANYON, & RIGBY

April 30. 3:30pm. @ Madison HS

ROCKY MOUNTAIN, HOBBS, & MADISON

May 6 & May 7. 1:30pm. @ Blackfoot HS

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Note: schedule changes possible due to unpredictable spring weather.

MADISON HIGH SCHOOL

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BOBCATS

VARSITY BASEBALL

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
14-Mar	Capital HS	Away	6:00 PM
15-Mar	Timberline HS-Boise	Away	11:00 AM
15-Mar	Timberline HS-Boise	Away	2:00 PM
21-Mar	OPEN (St. George)	Away	TBA
22-Mar	OPEN (St. George)	Away	TBA
26-Mar	Blackfoot HS (Blackfoot)	Home	3:30 PM
27-Mar	Rigby HS	Away	TBA
29-Mar	Rigby HS (DH)	Home	TBA
1-Apr	Highland HS	Away	3:30 PM
2-Apr	Highland HS (DH)	Home	3:00 PM
10-Apr	Thunder Ridge HS	Home	4:00 PM
12-Apr	Thunder Ridge HS (Thunder	Away	11:00 AM
15-Apr	Century HS (DH)	Away	3:30 PM
19-Apr	Pocatello HS	Away	11:00 AM
23-Apr	* Canyon Ridge HS	Home	4:00 PM
24-Apr	* Canyon Ridge HS	Away	4:00 PM
24-Apr	* Canyon Ridge HS (Senior	Away	6:00 PM

District Tournament: Apr 28-May 3

State Tournament: May 15-17

VARSITY SOFTBALL

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
14-Mar	OPEN (St. George)	Away	TBA
15-Mar	OPEN (St. George)	Away	TBA
18-Mar	Blackfoot HS	Away	4:00 PM
20-Mar	Hillcrest HS (DH)	Away	3:00 PM
28-Mar	Rigby HS (DH)	Home	3:00 PM
1-Apr	Pocatello HS	Away	3:00 PM
4-Apr	Skyline HS	Away	4:00 PM
9-Apr	Highland HS (DH)	Away	3:30 PM
11-Apr	Shelley HS	Home	4:00 PM
23-Apr	Thunder Ridge HS (DH)	Home	3:30 PM
25-Apr	Highland HS (DH)	Home	3:30 PM
29-Apr	Rigby HS (DH)	Away	3:00 PM
2-May	Thunder Ridge HS (DH)	Home	3:30 PM

District Tournament: May 6 & 8

State Tournament: May 15-17

VARSITY TENNIS

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
18-Mar	Skyline HS	Home	3:30 PM
20-Mar	Century HS	Home	3:30 PM
25-Mar	Rigby HS	Home	3:30 PM
1-Apr	Century HS	Away	3:30 PM
2-Apr	Hillcrest HS	Home	3:30 PM
4-Apr	Highland HS	Away	3:30 PM
8-Apr	Thunder Ridge HS	Away	3:30 PM
10-Apr	Canyon Ridge HS	Home	3:30 PM
18-Apr	OPEN (Gate City Invite)	Away	TBA
21-Apr	Rigby HS	Away	3:30 PM
23-Apr	Thunder Ridge HS	Home	3:30 PM
25-Apr	OPEN (Capital Invite)	Away	TBA
29-Apr	Canyon Ridge HS	Away	4:00 PM
1-May	Highland HS	Home	3:30 PM
2-May	OPEN (East Idaho Invite)	Away	TBA

District Tournament: May 7 & 9

State Tournament: May 16-17



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SPRING SPORTS



MADISON JR. HIGH FINE ARTS CALENDAR

CHOIR CONCERTS

11/15/24	Choir Concert	7:00
02/21/25	Choir Concert	7:00
05/16/25	Choir Concert	7:00

Concerts held at MJH Auditorium



ORCHESTRA

12/10/24	7th Grade Concert	7:00
12/11/24	8th & 9th Gr Concert	6:30
03/03/25	7-9 Grade Concert	6:00
05/03/25	7 Gr Lagoon Music Festival	
05/12/25	7th Grade Concert	7:00
05/13/25	8th & 9th Gr Concert	6:30

Held at Madison Performing Arts Center



BAND

11/19/24	Band Concert 6:30 @ MJH
JANUARY -	BYU Idaho Jazz Festival
02/25/25	Band Concert 6:30 @ MJH
MARCH -	ISU Band Festival
03/12/25	Gem State Jazz Festival
04/21&22	Gem State JV Festival
04/25/25	Madison Festival
05/01/25	Jazz Concert
05/07/25	American Falls Festival
05/08/25	Band Concert 6:30 @ MJH
05/14/25	Gem State Percussion Fest.
05/15/25	Percussion Ensemble Concert
MAY -	Music in the Parks @ Lagoon



DRAMA

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES:

November 8 & 9 7PM @ MJH
December 19-20 Spring Musical
Auditions, call backs on the 21st

DRAMA PARENT NIGHT:

February 20 7PM @ MJH

SPRING MUSICAL:

March 14-15 2 & 7PM @ MJH
May 9-10 Drama Showcase 7PM-MJH

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