

## SCHOOL-TO-CAREER

The Montville Public School System has planned, developed, and is now implementing the philosophy and components of School-to-Career. Montville began the process in 1995. This year, the Montville Public School System is one of 16 school systems in the State of CT being recognized by the State Dept. of Education as an excellent "model" for other schools to visit.

What is School-to-Career? It is a partnership in which employers, educators, students, parents, labor, state agencies and the community work together to effectively prepare ALL students for higher education and the global marketplace. It includes three core elements: school-based learning, classroom instruction based on High Academic and occupational skill standards; work-based learning, work experience, structured training and mentoring at worksites; and connecting activities that develop courses, integrate classroom and on-the-job instruction, match students with participating employers and build a partnership between school and work.

This is an opportunity for ALL students. It is NOT just for the vocational student, the at-risk student, the student going to the workplace after graduation, nor is it only for "training" students for jobs. It is an opportunity to achieve high academic and occupational standards while connecting learning with work.

For more information on this initiative, please call Kathy Racette at (860) 848-8067.

The School-to-Career Program needs help from the community and business members in various ways. Please read, fill out and return the enclosed form if you can assist this program in any way.

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

### MHS ALUMNI ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS

Write an essay?? Who wants to?! But it can get you a scholarship to continue your education after high school in an accredited two or four year technical college, university or post-secondary institution. The first award is for \$300 and will be given to a son or daughter, graduating from any accredited high school, of an MHS Alumni. The second award presented by the MHSAA is for \$200 and will be given to a graduating senior of MHS. A 500 word essay, topic "Your Hopes for the Future of Your Alma Mater" and two letters of recommendation from adults that are not related to the applicant are to be mailed to the MHS Alumni Assoc., Inc. PO Box 133, Uncasville, CT 06382. All applications must be postmarked no later than May 1, 1999. Applications can be picked up at the MHS Career Center.

### SCHOLARSHIPS 1997-98

Two scholarships were awarded to last year's graduating senior class. Cy Hess, awarded the \$300 scholarship, is a freshman at UCONN, keeping very busy with his studies and his love for baseball. Sarah Manville, the recipient of the \$200 scholarship, is a freshman at Endicott College in Beverly, MA. She is majoring in Sports Management and has recently interned at MHS in the Athletic Dept. as part of her coursework. Both students are representing their town and high school well. They both express their thanks to the Alumni Association for its generous scholarship.

### ANYONE INTERESTED IN....?

An Alumni band, choral group, sports team? Let's show the young folk that graduating from high school doesn't mean you lose your flair for music or sports. Anyone interested, please fill out the enclosed membership form, in the area that reads: "Committee Participation."

## FUNDRAISERS GALORE!!

### MONTVILLE FALL FESTIVAL

Did we see you at the Montville Fall Festival Sept 25th-27th? If not, the MHSAA spent the full three days in a tent, talking with other Alumni, their parents or siblings. We updated our address book and raffled baskets. The proceeds of the basket raffle went to the scholarship fund. Thank you for your patronage. Look for us next year.

### FAIR OAKS TAG SALE

Need to raise money for a good cause? Thanks to folks like Fanny Esidore, the MHSAA had their first tag sale on Nov. 18th at Fair Oaks School. It was a very successful fund raiser.

### HOMECOMING '98

Although Nov. 20th proved to be a rainy, windy night, your MHSAA put up a tent and greeted Alumni that attended the game. Raffle tickets were sold for our now "famous" raffle baskets. We are always looking to increase our membership as well as our funds, so it was good to see past and present Alumni and their families. Remember, if you're a graduate of MHS, you should become a member of your Alumni Association. (See enclosed membership form.)

### RETIREEES

The following teachers - Lance Magnuson (1965), Dave Rowley (1966), and Nancy Kinder (1981) - are retiring after many years in the Montville School System. Also resigning in June is Jacob Ludes. All will be sadly missed.

### REUNIONS

Class of '79 Reunion - Nov. 27, 1999. Please contact Nancy Brewer Smigiel at (860) 822-9560.

Class of '90 Reunion - Please contact Desiree Diaz at (860) 848-6929.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### GOLF TOURNAMENT

MHSAA will host it's first annual golf tournament on June 28th at 12:30pm at Shennecossett Golf Course in Groton. The tournament will be a major fund raiser for the scholarship fund and other expenses. Prizes & raffles will be given. Golfers of any skill level can participate. Deadline to register: June 18th. Please contact John Klinefelter at 860-739-0199 or e-mail jnklinefel@aol.com for more information.

### 35th YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The doors to Montville High School opened in 1963, completing its first year (no graduating class) in 1964. 1999 marks the High School's 35th year of providing education to over 7000 students. The MHS Alumni Assoc. has been mulling over some ideas to celebrate this momentous occasion. Anyone that would like to help, please fill out the enclosed form and return with your ideas or what you can help with. New members and ideas are always welcome.

### MHS ALUMNI FAMILY DAY

For Alumni looking for something for their enjoyment and support of the MHSAA, we have talked about a family day, possibly a pig roast or just a good old-fashioned family get-together at a local park. Anyone interested in volunteering to plan this or any ideas would be greatly appreciated.

### MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC!!!

New courses being offered in the music dept. include Marching, Symphonic, Jazz, and Concert Bands, Music Theory I & II, Drill Design, Musicians in the Community, Conducting, Jazz Improvisation, Chorus, Select Chorus, Girl's Chorus, Music Appreciation, Stage Craft, and Acting. (All for school credits.)

The Marching Band competed in the USSBA (United States Scholastic Band Assoc.) circuit for the 1st time this year. The band won 6th place in their division. The band and color guard won 3rd place at the NFA Classic, 2nd place at Waterford, Cheshire, Southington and Fitch. They also won best percussion and best color guard at the Fitch