### School Board Discussion with Simrnjit Seerha

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 10:26:37 PM Central Standard Time email: Heidi Ropa" To: email: "pbrown@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Percy Brown" Hi Percy,

Here is the link for tomorrow's meeting. This is exploratory but Sam and I want to assure her that we have her back if she chooses to run.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84131281164?pwd=UU8vRWMxalpCU2Fud0hlR081MFRjUT09

See you then, Heidi (608)235-9393

On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 4:58 PM Heidi Ropa wrote: See you there.

On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 12:55 PM Percy Brown <<u>pbrown@mcpasd.k12.wi.us</u>> wrote:

Percy Brown, Jr. Director of Equity and Student Achievement Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District 608.826.7777 pbrown@mcpasd.k12.wi.us

#### **School Board election**

### Monday, December 14, 2020 at 8:47:33 AM Central Standard Time email: "jgurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Work"

To: email: "cjanssen@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Cheryl Janssen"

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Cheryl Janssen Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District 7106 South Avenue Middleton, WI 53562 608-829-9004 cjanssen@mcpasd.k12.wi.us

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Monday, December 14, 2020 at 8:58:23 AM Central Standard Time email: "jgurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Jill Gurtner" To: email: "cjanssen@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Cheryl Janssen" Just what I needed. Thanks! Jill

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**Exciting News!** 

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--Heather Messer Science Educator and Advisor Clark Street Community School (608) 829-9651

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Corinne Neil Educator & Advisor GOOGLE VOICE: 608.620.3247 Clark Street Community School

### Friday, December 11, 2020 at 2:53:35 PM Central Standard Time email: "eott@mcpasd.k12.wi.us ELIZABETH OTT"

To: email: "cneil@mcpasd.k12.wi.us CORINNE NEIL"

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To: email: "eott@mcpasd.k12.wi.us ELIZABETH OTT" Cc: email: "cneil@mcpasd.k12.wi.us CORINNE NEIL" , email: "revans@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Rick Evans" , email:

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Sarah Estrella (she/her/hers) School Social Worker Clark Street Community School 608.515.8402 Google Text/Voicemail

## Friday, December 11, 2020 at 3:38:44 PM Central Standard Time email: "sgouldmiller@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Sheila GouldMiller"

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Kim Gauen (she/her/hers) Counselor for Clark Street Community School and MCPASD Online Programming Google Voice: 608-620-4252 (text or call- please leave a message if you call) Office Phone: 608-829-9648 (Voicemail only) <u>http://www.clarkstreetcommunityschool.com/covid-19</u>

I'm sending you all positive energy and light during this time.

If you have a medical or mental health emergency, dial 911 for emergency assistance. Do not leave a voicemail or email for school personnel in the event of an emergency.

Here is additional information you may find helpful: <u>Food Pantries and Other Community Resources</u> <u>CSCS Student Services: Virtual Appointments, Mental Health and Community Resources</u>

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To: email: "jthompson@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Jada Thompson"

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### Monday, December 21, 2020 at 1:17:07 PM Central Standard Time email: Bryn Orum"

To: email: "cscsgovernance@googlegroups.com" Hello friends!

Quick note to let you know that our very own Matthew Thompson is collecting signatures to run for a seat on the MCPASD Board of Education! If you live in the MCPASD and would like to sign his nomination papers, please get in touch with Matthew: <a href="mailto:matthmatthm:matthmp2001@gmail.com">matthmp2001@gmail.com</a>

Thanks, everyone and good luck, Matthew! Bryn

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Email

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It is a little tricky to read with the underscore and the 1. I have copied it here in my response.

Have a great holiday! I plan to get your signature sheet to you right after Christmas. Jill

Sent from my iPhone

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### **School Board Candidates**

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 2:31:32 PM Central Standard Time email: "dmonogue@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Dana Monogue" To: email: "district.services.team@mcpasd.k12.wi.us District Services Team", email: "principals.all@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Principals All" All:

Today is the deadline for people to submit their signatures to run for school board. People have until 5:00 so we still may see someone come in, but as of right now, the people we were anticipating running have all submitted their paperwork and will be on the ballot. We will need a primary in area IV:

Area III: Brian Bonti

Area IV: Gail Shepler, Matthew Thompson, Katie McCallum

Area V: Simrnjit Seerha, Matthew Niesen

--Dr. Dana E. Monogue Superintendent #WeBelieve

### Join Simrnjit Seerha and Matthew Thompson for a virtual MLK Day Town Hall

Sunday, January 17, 2021 at 11:02:13 PM Central Standard Time email: Heidi Ropa" SEERHA for school board

Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Community,

I hope this email finds you well and your New Year is off to a great start.

I am reaching out to introduce you to two candidates for Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Board, Simrnjit Seerha and Matthew Thompson, and to invite you to a Virtual Town Hall that they are holding tomorrow evening at 6:00 pm CT via Zoom.

### I hope you will register here, and join them for a Martin Luther King Jr. Day conversation, "Building the Beloved Community," tomorrow at 6:00 pm CT: <u>https://bit.ly/3bKFYWQ</u>

<u>Simrnjit Seerha</u> is a first generation student, Middleton native, and a graduate of Middleton High School. At Middleton, she was deeply involved in social justice movements as a Human Rights Week organizer, early member of Student Voice Union, and founder of the Student Equity Coalition. Simrnjit frequently met with the school board to enact changes to policies that disproportionately harmed students of color.

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If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

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**Town Hall for School Board Candidates** 

Monday, January 18, 2021 at 9:34:19 AM Central Standard Time

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#### Middleton Equity Team Members/Partners,

### Percy Brown has provided me the Town Hall information that was mentioned at our last meeting by two candidates for School Board. Following is the link for tonight's forum:

The theme is in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day will be "Building the Beloved Community" it's a philosophy of non-violence developed by Martin Luther King Jr. in order to bring about just change in the world.

Click here to register for the event:

Town Hall with Matthew Thompson and Simrnjit Seerha

Starting at 6:00pm, January 18th

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Subject: RE: Middleton Equity Team Next Meeting

# Middleton Equity Team & Interested Partners,

I'm sending this note as both a reminder for Thursday night's meeting at 7 p.m. (see agenda below) and also to request your assistance is distributing the attached flyer through your networks. As we've discussed, the City is working to more broadly diversify its applicant pool for city committees, boards and commissions. Your help in distributing this information is much appreciated. The flyer includes the date of our information meeting (February 4, 6 p.m. via Zoom).

Also, attached are my very imperfect notes from the last meeting. If anyone would like to volunteer to take notes at tomorrow's meeting, I'd appreciate it.

Again attached are Cricket's equity ideas for our brainstorming session starting at 7:30 at the meeting.

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**Subject:** Middleton Equity Team Next Meeting

Middleton Equity Team & Interested Partners,

After the events of this week, it has become ever more obvious how important this initiative is. Attached and pasted below is the agenda for our next meeting on Thursday, January 14 (MLK birthday eve, not the holiday), 7-8 p.m. via Zoom. I hope you can join us. No need to rsvp.

Attached are some ideas that Cricket (it is her preferred name<sup>(C)</sup>) Gage put together to spur a discussion on what Percy Brown has urged us to do in thinking about resource allocation/re-allocation. Please bring your thinking hats with you! Thanks.

Middleton Equity Team Agenda

Thursday, January 14, 2021, 7-8 pm

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- I. Brief Introductions of Participants (5 minutes)
- II. Collaboration Updates (25 minutes)
- a. City Equity Hub

i. Revising City Committee Application Process/Outreach to Reach More Diverse Applicant Pool

- ii. Sustainability Plan Update/Racial Equity
- iii. City Strategic Plan Process
- b. School District
- c. Chamber of Commerce/Business Community
- d. MOM/Non-Profits/Churches
- e. Other Residents

III. Resource Allocation/Re-Allocation Brainstorming to be Facilitated by Cricket Gage (25 minutes)

IV. Invitation to join Cricket Gage & Mike Davis with the Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development which is offering a course in African-American history by which they are seeking to build a better understanding of a very important part of American history and white allies. It's a 9-week course with a cost of \$300. For more information see: <a href="https://nehemiah.org/justified-anger/us-history-application/">https://nehemiah.org/justified-anger/us-history-application/</a>

- V. Thoughts on Current State of Affairs (5 minutes)
- VI. Adjourn

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Subject: Middleton Equity Team Reformulation

# Middleton Equity Team & Interested Partners,

Attached and below is the agenda for Thursday's meeting. I've also attached the notes from the last meeting. Thanks to Abigail (Cricket) Gage for volunteering to take notes.

I will work to start and end right on time. Thanks for your commitment to this important crosscollaboration in the Middleton community.

Middleton Equity Team Agenda

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ii. Investigating Spanish Language Resources for Operations

(Davis)

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- 1. Creates more opportunities for infill housing opportunities (Davis)
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  - III. Resource Allocation/Re-Allocation (30 minutes)
- a. Youth Center Fundraiser/Needs (Price/Hinahara)
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Middleton Equity Team & Interested Partners,

I've attached the notes from our meeting of Thursday, November 12. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 10, at 7 p.m. In the spirit of Percy Brown's comments, I will put together an agenda focused on resource allocation and re-allocation to meet the equity needs of the community. Please feel free to reach out to others to broaden our diversity in the group.

Here's the Zoom link for the meeting, and I'll include it in the eventual agenda as well:

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Subject: Middleton Equity Team Reformulation

For all interested in being part of the reformulated Middleton Equity Team, I'm reaching out a bit further to see if we can broaden and diversify the group. A small group has met twice, and I've attached the notes from those meetings in September and October. Please feel free to pass along the Zoom information here to others who would like to participate with the group.

We certainly can take collective action to make a difference in Middleton, similar to how we bound together for the "United We Stand" march this summer. No need to RSVP, just attend via Zoom. Thanks for your interest!

Middleton Equity Team **<u>Tentative</u>** Agenda

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Council Members, School District & Chamber Staff,

I wanted to provide an update for you. The Middleton Equity Team was re-instated a couple months ago, and has been meeting, but for the past couple of months it has been mostly City staff and the Mayor along with an independent convener (Abigail Gage). I don't know how many of you were aware of this; however, I think the Community/School group is meeting separately, and Gabrielle Hinahara and Rebecca Price have been City representatives in that group.

The next Zoom meeting of the group is Thursday, November 12, 7-8 p.m. If you would like to join this reinvigoration of the MET, please notify our convener Abigail Gage at Abigail Gage <u>stevensgage@gmail.com</u>. Thanks!

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To: email: "pbrown@mcpasd.k12.wi.us"



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# School Board Discussion with Simrnjit Seerha

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Percy Brown, Jr. Director of Equity and Student Achievement Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District 608.826.7777 pbrown@mcpasd.k12.wi.us

# Friday, December 11, 2020 at 10:02:48 PM Central Standard Time email: "jthompson@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Jada Thompson"

To: email: "mlorenz@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Mary Lorenz" Cc: email: "mvoss@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Mark Voss", email: "revans@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Rick Evans", email: "cscs.staff@mcpasd.k12.wi.us CSCS Staff" Proud of him ⓒ now comes the hard work! We about to have an interesting weekend.

On Fri, Dec 11, 2020, 5:10 PM Mary Lorenz <<u>mlorenz@mcpasd.k12.wi.us</u>> wrote: This made my day! Go Matthew! On Fri, Dec 11, 2020 at 4:41 PM Mark Voss <<u>mvoss@mcpasd.k12.wi.us</u>> wrote: So great! Mark Voss <u>Teacher, Clark Street Community School</u> Educator, 20th Century E School <u>mvoss@mcpasd.k12.wi.us</u> cell: 608-556-8143

On Fri, Dec 11, 2020 at 2:42 PM Rick Evans <<u>revans@mcpasd.k12.wi.us</u>> wrote: Hi All.

Matthew Thompson has announced that he is running for the Middleton School Board. He will be needing signatures for his nomination papers (115) which are due by January 5th. His plan is to come home to campaign on the weekends and continue to attend school during the weeks.

If you are a Middletonian or have friends in town who would like to sign nomination papers, please let me know If you are interested in helping out with his campaign, let me know that too...

Mary Lorenz Math and Science Teacher Clark Street Community School --

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I'm running for School Board

# Saturday, December 12, 2020 at 7:19:22 PM Central Standard Time email: "Matthew Thompson"

To: email: "jgurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Jill Gurtner" Hi Jill,

As you are probably already aware, I am running for school board! I need at least 100 signatures but my campaign is shooting for 115. So if you know anyone that lives (or you live) in MCPASD please let them know I need signatures to get on the ballot. Send their addresses and names to me as well as how many people are eligible to vote and are willing and able to sign in their household. Either me or one of my volunteers will collect signatures, we have COVID cautious protocols in place. Also can you send an email out the board about my planned run? I guess I'm going to have to use Robert's rules more religiously now at board meetings! I'd also like to have a meeting with you some time during the week to talk about some of the current missuses facing the district. And does Laura Love and Percy live in the district?

Thank you, Matthew Thompson

Sunday, December 13, 2020 at 5:33:16 AM Central Standard Time email: "jgurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Jill Gurtner" To: email: Matthew Thompson" I did hear this Matthew and I am so excited! I live in the district and there are 4 adults in our house that can sign. I would also be happy to host you in my driveway and put out a message to neighbors that you will be there collecting signatures if you would like to set that up sometime. I am very confident that you will reach your signature goal very quickly!

Laura Love lives in the district. I messaged her on Friday night when I heard the news about you running and she is also very excited. She also lives in a neighborhood where you could collect a lot of signatures. I don't think Percy lives in the district.

I have a long list of other people I would love to connect you with to help get the word out.

I am happy to meet. Do you want to connect Monday evening or should we talk after the meeting on Tuesday?

Soooooo excited about this! Jill

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--Jill Gurtner (She/Her/Hers) Principal Clark Street Community School

"How can I support you in creating the conditions under which you will thriv

# Support Matthew in his run for the BoE!

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To: email: "cscsgovernance@googlegroups.com" Hello friends!

Quick note to let you know that our very own Matthew Thompson is collecting signatures to run for a seat on the MCPASD Board of Education! If you live in the MCPASD and would like to sign his nomination papers, please get in touch with Matthew:

Thanks, everyone and good luck, Matthew!

### Bryn

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Thanks, Matthew Thompson

Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at 5:13:05 PM Central Standard Time email: "jgurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us Work" To: email: "for the second of the sec

Have a great holiday! I plan to get your signature sheet to you right after Christmas. Jill

Sent from my iPhone

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email:

Heidi Ropa"

Bcc: email: "jgurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us"



Friends,

I hope this email finds you well.

Thank you to those who joined the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Town Hall with Simrnjit Seerha and Matthew Thompson, candidates for Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Board. I'm reaching out this morning to invite you to a Town Hall with these candidates taking place tonight at 6:00 PM CT.

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# **MIDDLETON SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

# Sunday, January 31, 2021 at 10:26:55 PM Central Standard Time

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# Monday, February 1, 2021 at 7:57:49 AM Central Standard Time

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State Journal Q&A for Area IV. I don't see one yet for Area V: https://madison.com/wsj/news/local/govt-andpolitics/elections/candidate-q-a-middleton-cross-plains-school-board/article\_912be558-b978-53a0-a65ef07194e3b7d3.html ----- Original Message ----- From: Ron Biendseil To: Brian Koenig , Jill Gurtner , Barnes & Noble , Barbara ... Subject: MIDDLETON SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION Greetings Friends, You're cordially invited to attend a February 3 virtual meeting, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., to meet two candidates running for the Middleton/Cross Plains Area School Board. These elections are coming up soon, with primary voting on February 16. The general election will be on April 6. I was pleasantly surprised to learn that two of the candidates are recent graduates of Middleton: Matthew Thompson and Simrnjit Seerha. Matthew Thompson is running to represent Region 4, which has several candidates, so there will be a primary on February 16. Matthew is a 2020 graduate of Clark Street Community School with years of experience in local and school governance. Matthew served on the Clark Street School Governance Board from 2017-2019. He was a member of the Dane County Finance Board, along with his mentor, assemblywoman Sheila Stubbs. As a student, Matthew was a member of the Black Student Union and integral to planning last year's Minority Student Network Conference, a national conference hosted by Middleton Schools. Simrnjit Seerha (pronounced sim-rin-jeet seer-ha)[i] is running to represent Region 5, which is an open seat being contested by only 2 candidates, so there will be no primary. Her general election will be April 6. Simrniit is a firstgeneration student, Middleton native, and a graduate of Middleton High School. At Middleton, she was deeply involved in social justice movements as a Human Rights Week organizer, early member of Student Voice Union, and founder of the Student Equity Coalition. She is currently in her final year at American University in Washington D.C. (remotely). finishing a B.S in Environmental Science. Simrnjit frequently met with the school board to enact changes to policies that disproportionately harmed students of color. (It is important to know that, regardless of where you live in the Middleton/Cross Plains district, you will have the opportunity to vote for Mr. Thompson in his Primary on February 16.)[1] I recently talked to both candidates and was very impressed, so much so, that I joined a group to convene a virtual meeting to give my friends an opportunity to see and hear them directly. If you (or your friends) would like to attend this virtual event on February 3, 6:30-7:30 gathering, PLEASE register at: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJArd-uopjgsGtGd02-bebMootXV3qfYZjhW FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE CANDIDATES, GO HERE: Simrnjit Seerha Facebook: Simrnjit Seerha for School Board Instagram: @seerhaforboard Twitter: @seerhaforboard Email: MCPASDboard@electseerha.com Website: electseerha.com Matthew Thompson Facebook: Matthew Thompson for MCPASD School Board Seat IV Email: mattformcpasd.iv@gmail.com Best to all, Ron Biendseil

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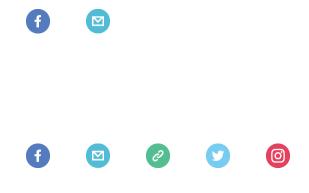
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Simrnjit's Campaign

Matthew's Campaign



# What is next?

If you want to share information about these candidates with your friends - consider hosting a small

group discussion with one or both candidates!

Schedule a small group discussion

Add us to your address book



#### January 2021 District newsletter

#### **Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 8:43:25 AM Central Standard Time email: "school\_message@mcpasdnotify.org"** To: email: "igurtner@mcpasd.k12.wi.us"

**Campus Messenger** by Infinite Campus

Dear families,

Welcome to the District's latest newsletter. Below are a few short items about things that happened in December 2020 and January 2021. Click on the link at the end of most stories to learn more. Please visit the <u>District website</u> to find all of the stories in this newsletter and more.

#### Six set to run for School Board

Six area residents have submitted paperwork to run for three seats on the Board of Education. Brian Bonti (Area II), Matthew Thompson (Area IV), Katie McCallum (Area IV), Gail Shepler (Area IV), Matthew Niesen (Area V) and Simrnjit Seerha (Area V) are candidates. Thompson, McCallum and Shepler will run in a primary on Tuesday, Feb. 16 with the top two vote-getters advancing to the general election on Tuesday, April 6. <u>Read more</u>

#### 4K registration underway

Registration for the MCPASD 4K program for the 2021-2022 school year opened on Monday, Jan. 25, Director of Curriculum, Assessment, and 4K MaryBeth Paulisse said. <u>Read more</u>

#### **Board approves return of PK-4 students**

On Monday, Dec. 21, the School Board approved having all PK-4th-grade students who are in the Universal instructional model return to school buildings on Feb. 1. The School Board also indicated the District should proceed with its plan to bring back middle and high school students, but will vote on the target dates for secondary students to return after they have had walk-throughs of Glacier Creek, Kromrey, MHS and CSCS and reviewed mitigation strategies for that level. The School Board plans to review and vote at its meeting on Feb. 8.

# Board approves 2021-22 calendar

The Board of Education approved the 2021-22 calendar at its regular meeting on Dec. 7. Students' first day of school is Wednesday, Sept. 1. Winter break runs from Dec. 22 to Jan. 2. Spring break runs from March 26 to April 3. There are also three days off for students and two for staff at the end of October. The <u>2021-22 calendar</u> is available on the District website.

### **Board receives MHS construction update**

J.H. Findorff & Son project manager Matt Premo provided an update to the Board of Education at their meeting on Jan. 11 on the construction project at MHS that started in late March 2020 with Phase 1 expected to be completed for the start of the 2021-22 school year. <u>Read more</u>



#### **Board recognizes four teachers**

The Board of Education recognized Kromrey's Sonja Hungness, Darlayne Coughlin, and Kimberly Reynolds, along with Daria Borokhim of MHS at their meeting on Jan. 25. <u>Read more</u> A separate story about Hungness being named a 2020 state finalist for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching is also on the District website. <u>Read more</u>

# **District named Dane County Climate Champion**

The Middleton-Cross Plains Area School was named a 2020 Dane County Climate Champion by Executive Joe Parisi on Dec. 3. The District was one of about 25 entities to be recognized. <u>Read more</u>

#### Hibner offers updates on websites

Director of Communications Perry Hibner provided an update on plans for a new District website, along with new school sites at the Board of Education regular meeting on Dec. 7. <u>Read more</u>



# MHS Theatre wins awards

MHS Theatre won the All State and Ensemble awards for its one-act play, *War of the Worlds Adaption*, at the Wisconsin High School Theatre State Festival held virtually on Dec. 10-12. <u>Read more</u>

#### **MHS DECA students compete**

The MHS DECA program had 27 students finish in the top four at the District 3 virtual competition recently. In all, 39 MHS DECA members competed at the conference, which was held virtually due to the pandemic. <u>Read more</u>

Meanwhile, 21 MHS DECA members competed at the UW-Whitewater Mini-Conference in December and junior Daphne Wu was named series champion. <u>Read more</u>



# **MHS Model UN participates in MADMUN**

More than 200 students from throughout the state gathered on Dec. 5 for the 11th annual Madison Area Model United Nations Conference (MADMUN), held this year virtually for the first time. Five MHS students -- Ava Clark, Elinor Kosek, Aidan Loop, Livia Machado, and Charlotte Neumann -- helped to develop and run this year's MADMUN conference. <u>Read more</u>

### District students receive MLK Youth Awards

More than 15 District students from CSCS, MHS and Kromrey received Urban League of Greater Madison 2021 MLK Outstanding Young Person Awards in January. <u>Read more</u>

# Three MHS students recognized by NCWIT

Three MHS students -- sophomores Shardha Godishala and Keerthi Peddinti and junior Alli Smith -- were recognized by the Wisconsin Affiliate of the National Center for Women in Information Technology. Godishala and Smith were named Wisconsin Affiliate award winners for Aspirations in Computing, while Peddinti received honorable mention recognition. <u>Read more</u>

#### Science Bowl teams fare well

The District Science Bowl team of Trevor Chau, Sanjay Suresh, David Jiang, Hansen Jin and Jonah Guse won their regional competition on Jan. 16 and have qualified for the National Science Bowl to be held later this spring. <u>Read</u> <u>more</u>

# **Education Foundation**

The Education Foundation kicked off its Room and Area Sponsorship Campaign with a \$100,000 gift from <u>Springs</u> <u>Window Fashions</u>. It's the largest gift the Education Foundation has received, and it will fund three areas: \$35,000 to build and furnish a Caring Closet at Middleton High School, \$15,000 to refresh K-12 social studies curriculum, and \$50,000 for an endowment. <u>Read more</u>

#### Find flyers on District website

Check out the <u>District website's Community Announcements page</u> for great opportunities in athletics, recreation, fine arts and more. Many new flyers highlighting opportunities around the area have recently been added.

# Like the District's Facebook page

Join the more than 6,660 people who have liked the <u>District's Facebook page</u>. The site is updated multiple times daily with honors, recognition, pictures and lots more. While you are there, please take a moment to rate the District and provide a review.

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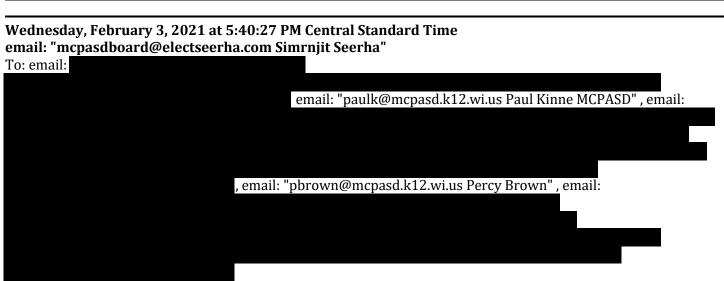
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Hola familias del distrito

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