



Welcome back parents, guardians and students of MHS!

On behalf of the staff I would like to extend a huge welcome back to all of our families. A special welcome to anyone new to MHS. We want this to be a very good year for your child so we strongly encourage your communication with our school. If there are any issues at all please feel free to call or send an email to the appropriate grade level administrator for your child. The admin teams includes:

Mrs. Christine Whalen – Grade 9 christine.whalen@nbed.nb.ca

Mr. Scott Farrell – Grade – 10 scott.farrell@nbed.nb.ca

Mrs. France Cote Allain – Grades 11 and 12 france.cote-allain@nbed.nb.ca

Mike BeLong – Grades 9-12 belonmia@nbed.nb.ca

Your first line of communication if your child is having issues or anything else of concern would be to go through your child's homeroom teacher and then then appropriate grade level administrator. If you cannot access the grade level administrator you can always turn to me as I oversee all the grades.

This school year, we encourage parents / guardians to use the online services available to pay student fees and fill out forms. Register for **School Fees and Forms can be found on the Anglophone East School District website.**

Some of the forms are already available online including student media release and the computer use policy. They require parent signatures. This service will decrease the amount of paper sent home those first few days of school and ensure greater accuracy in record keeping.

Last year, it was requested by the District Education Council that all K-8 schools in the Anglophone East School District implement a **consistent *Safe Arrival* program**. The changes that have been made to support this for the upcoming school year will also apply to ALL students at Moncton High School.

Safe Arrival is an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence. The new student absence reporting system lets you use a **mobile app**, a **web site**, **toll-free phone line 1-833-202-4304** or **Press 1** on the school main line to report an absence.

All student absences – for students in Grades 6 through 12 - should be logged through this system. There is no longer a need to send a note/excuse to the teacher once an absence has been reported by a parent / guardian into the system.

When a parent calls the school, they will be asked to press 1 to report an absence. This system will require less time to verify student attendance and less time to begin to notify parents and

guardians if a student is absent. If your child is marked absent by the teacher and the reason for the absence has not been logged into the system, the **Safe Arrival** system is able to rapidly contact you to get a reason for the absence to ensure your child's safety.

Information about this system including how to sign up for the free app is available on the Anglophone East website asde.nbed.nb.ca Under **Parents – Safe Arrival**.

If you have any questions about Safe Arrival, please contact the district at Anglophone East website asde.nbed.nb.ca

As previously noted we are cutting down on paper and asking parents to fill out some of our perpetual yearly forms like 'Media Release' under the 'School Cash Online' tab. This allows parents to do one stop shopping to look after fee payments as well as complete necessary forms.

Finally a few key dates and a reminder of the yearly student fees. We thank you for your support with these.

The student fee is \$50 per student.

Picture day for all students is Wednesday, September 26thth.

Meet the Teacher - September 18th 6:30 PM to 8:00 P

Thanks and we hope to see many of you on September 18th.

Yours in Education

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