

# THE DISTRICT CORRESPONDENT

Connecting our community

May 2023



## Spring has Sprung!

That means it is time to plant! The MCHS Bee Corps Environmental Club recently visited Anderson Elementary School to work with students to plant raised beds. The bi-weekly visits, scheduled through the end of the school year, consist of a lesson led by one of the high school leaders on the impact of looking after our surroundings and then a hands-on beautification activity.

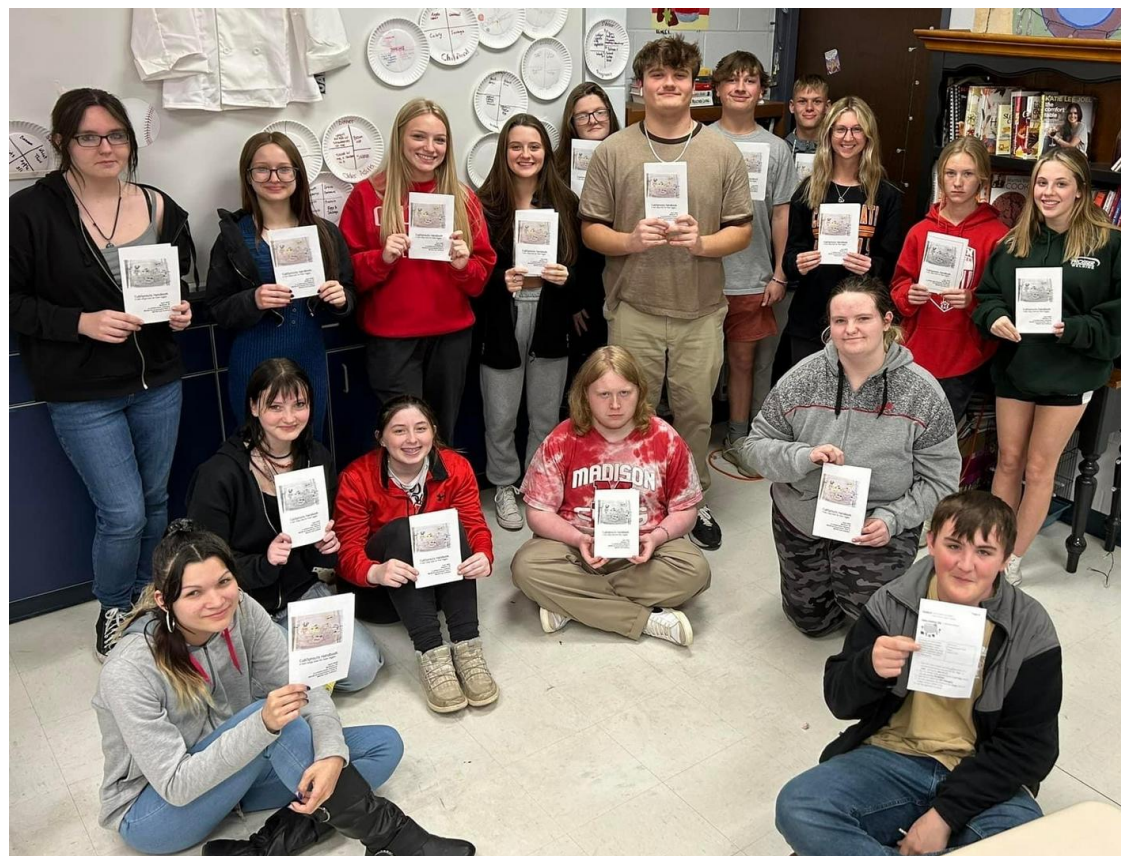
The first meeting aligned perfectly with the Cub Culinary Nutrition Class for the *Nutrition for Various Ages* unit. The high school students created a cookbook of their favorite, age-appropriate veggie recipes to share with their new friends. The recipes are simple enough that students can create them with supervision and they will be able to use the vegetables they planted in their newly constructed raised gardens.

Some of the things planted in the gardens include strawberries, green beans, cucumbers, lavender, and cilantro. MCHS junior and on of Bee Corps founding members, Jack Heckler, created the design for the beds and worked with his grandpa to build the units which are portable.

Anderson Elementary students will tend to their gardens in between visits from their Bee Corps mentors and watch their plants grow while learning about the process of how seeds progress to harvest.



**MCHS Bee Corps Students**



**MCHS Cub Culinary students**



**Ready! Set!! GROW!!**

**MCHS students divide the groups of Anderson Elementary students into small groups for a more hands-on experience. Pictured at left are a few from the first week's planting!**



# Seniors Wrapping Up...

## Senior Final Schedule

May is always a busy time of the year around our district and this year is no exception. We have concerts, exhibits, celebrations, and for seniors - one last academic responsibility...the final finals.

While they have TONS of fun events planned, they are also preparing for their last high school final exams, an exciting and stressful time for everyone!

The senior final exam schedule is listed below for your reference:

May 15 - Period 7

May 16 - Periods 2 & 5

May 17 - Periods 1 & 4

May 18 - Periods 3 & 6

Senior device turn in after their last final

**REMINDER!**

**GOOD LUCK, you've got this!**

## CLASS OF 2023 SENIOR STUDENT EVENTS

WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO JOIN US  
FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS IN CELEBRATION

**MAY 18, 2023**

SENIOR PICNIC, 11 A.M. CUB FIELD

**MAY 19, 2023**

SENIOR BREAKFAST, 7:45 A.M. CAFE  
HONORS DAY, 9:00 A.M. AUDITORIUM  
TOUR OF GRADUATES

Following Honors Day - Bring your cap & gown

**MAY 28, 2023**

BACCALAUREATE, 8 A.M. AUDITORIUM  
GRADUATION PRACTICE, 9:30 A.M.

**MANDATORY** - CONNOR K. SALM GYMNASIUM

COMMENCEMENT, 2:00 P.M.

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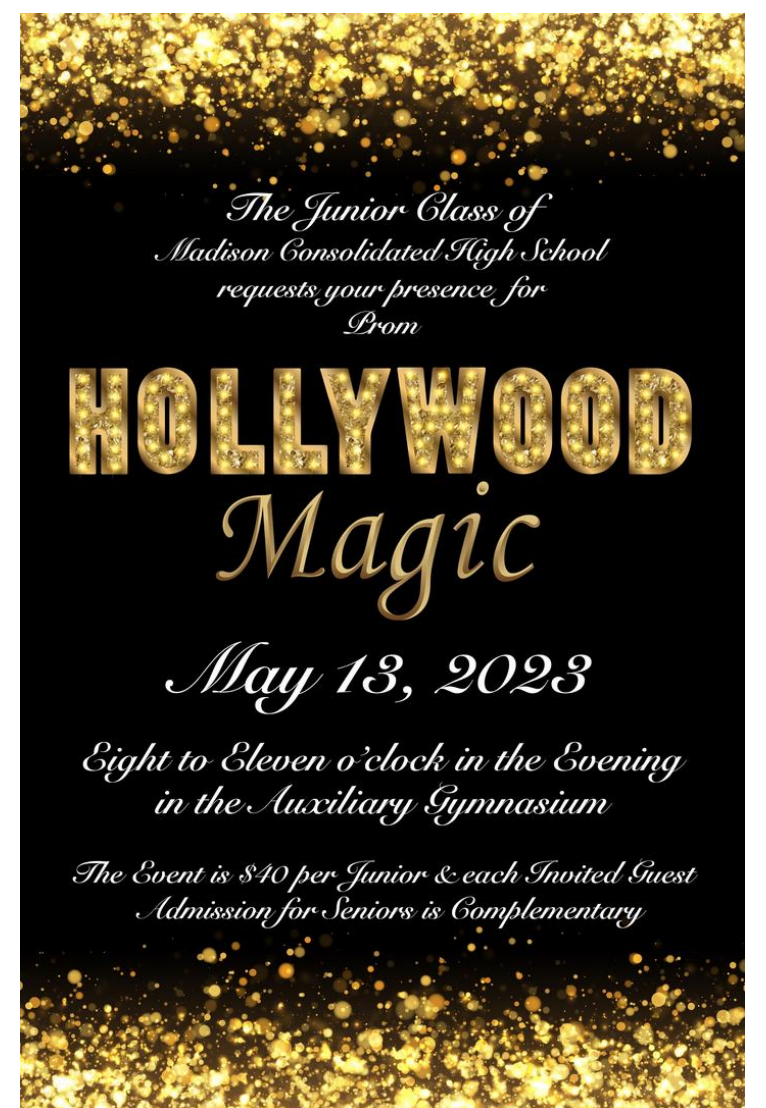
GRADUATES, REPORT TO SMALL GYM BY 1:15 P.M.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS BEGIN AT 12:30 P.M. ATRIUM

The annual Jr/Sr Prom will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 8 - 11 p.m. in the MCHS Auxiliary Gymnasium. Students and sponsors have been hard at work planning lots of Hollywood Magic for the evening.

The After Prom, also held at MCHS, will begin at 11:30 p.m. and wrap up at 2 a.m. There will be food, games, LOTS of PRIZES, and the always anticipated visit from the hypnotist. If interested in volunteering, contact Suzi Glasgow at [sglasgow@madison.k12.in.us](mailto:sglasgow@madison.k12.in.us).

Once again this year, Prom Royalty raised money for their favorite charity and the winners will be crowned King & Queen. Candidates, (pictured below left to right), are Andre Howard - Salvation Army, Emma Reilmann - Chris's Caring Bridge, Andrea Royce - Norton's Healthcare Hospital Charity, and Jack Heckler - MCHS Bee Corps. Last year's court raised just over \$10,000 for charity. Crowning will take place around 10 p.m.



## CLASS OF 2023 PARENT EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE EVENTS  
CELEBRATING YOUR STUDENT!

**MAY 19, 2023**

HONORS DAY, 9:00 A.M. AUDITORIUM  
DOORS OPEN FOR SEATING AT 8:15 A.M.

**MAY 28, 2023**

BACCALAUREATE, 8 A.M. AUDITORIUM

COMMENCEMENT, 2:00 P.M.

CONNOR K. SALM GYMNASIUM

SEATING OPENS AT 1:15 P.M.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

MANDATORY STUDENT GRADUATION PRACTICE 9:30 A.M.

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# ART Alert!

Renowned sculptor Dale Rogers ([Dale Rogers Studio](#)) visited Madison students in March to share his vision and inspiration on a project they will be working on together for the next several months. MJHS art students will have a unique opportunity to work on a very special collaborative project incorporating the new public art piece “Birdman” designed by Rogers that will be installed as part of a new hilltop development.

As part of the Sunrise Crossing development, MCS has established a partnership with property developer CRM Companies and Mr. Garyen Denning, working closely with Kim Nyberg of the Madison Area Arts Alliance and Tony Steinhardt from the City of Madison, a collaboration has been established to create a hands-on, creative learning experience that will build upon existing academic standards and layer them with a creative vibe and opportunity to craft and share stories visually through artistic expression.

“We were thrilled to finally have Dale visit with our students and share his story,” shared Eric Phagan, local artist, and MJHS Art teacher. “This is one of those once-in-a-lifetime experiences that will plant a seed that grows from class to class.” During his time with our students, he talked about his creative process, the various techniques he uses when working with different materials, and encouraged students to think about how they can adapt their learning to their classroom, skill level, and scope of the project.”



MCHS is lending a hand on the project as part of their learning to kick off the 23-24 school year. Cub Engineering students will transfer the sketches from paper to working design plans for Cub Manufacturing to recreate the images as welded steel sculptures.

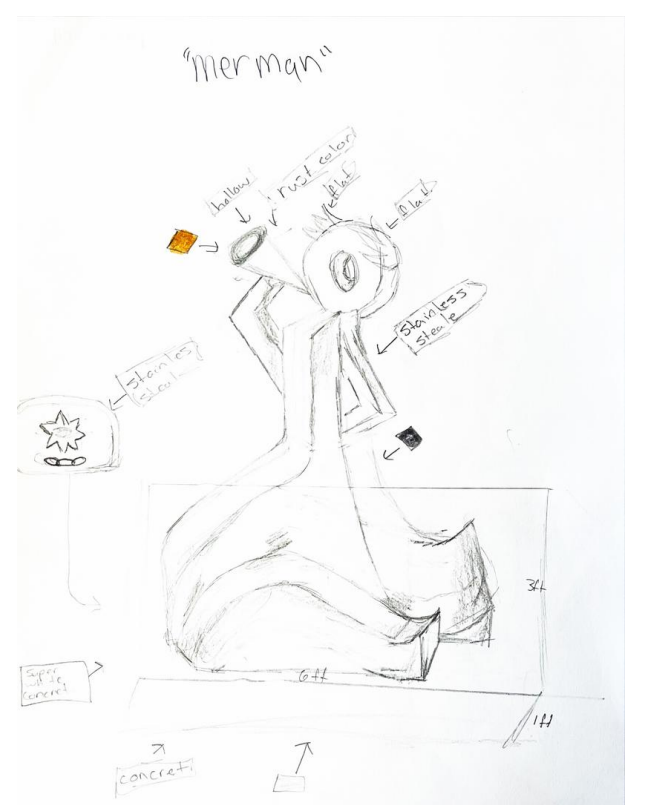
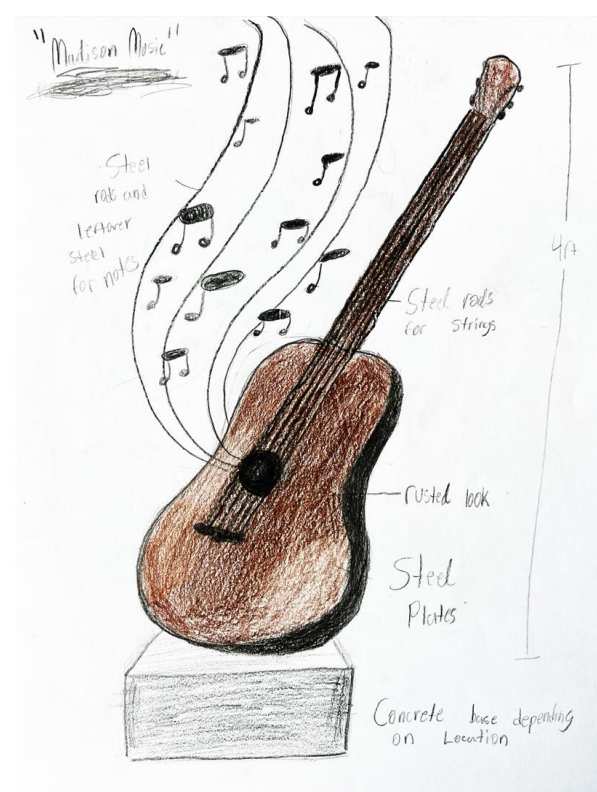
“The idea tying together historical elements from our county to ‘Birdman’ was something the kids took off and ran with after hearing Dale share his vision,” Phagan continued. “My vision for this project is to bring community art, creative educational partners, and students working together between our campuses to produce (potentially) numerous pieces of various sizes and scope that capture the history of our entire community -eventually weaving together locations throughout our county.” One of the exciting opportunities of the project is working across the curriculum incorporating English standards to write pieces that describe each element, and then possibly add QR codes to create a walking visual and audio experience for visitors to enjoy. Approximately 500 students will have the opportunity to experience the benefits of this project.

## MEET THE MAKERS Madison Junior High School

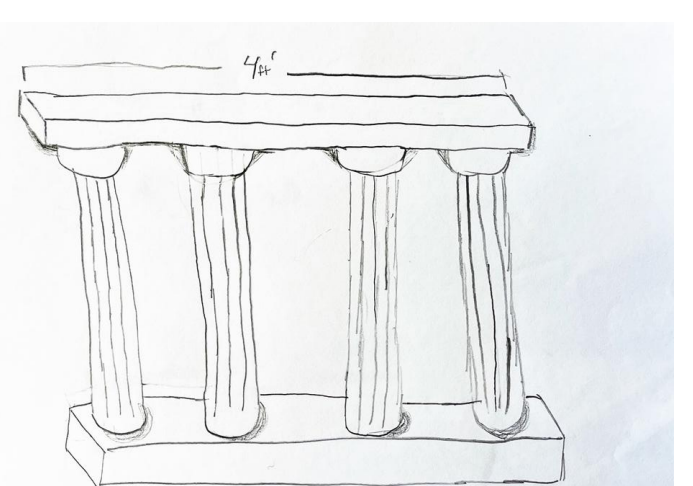


Artist Dale Rogers at MCHS

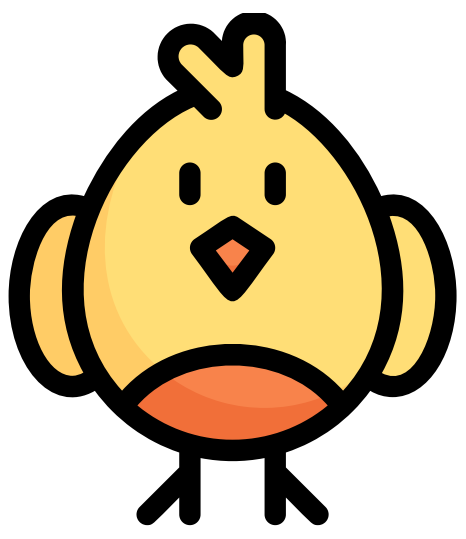
As a follow-up to the classroom visit, MJHS 7th graders toured downtown Madison on their annual field trip to historic locations. “This year, we put a bit of a different lens on the experience,” shared Phagan. “We encouraged students to think about historic landmark items that could translate into a sculpture. By looking at the early architectural design of the Costigan House, or the tools used at the Saddle Tree Factory - how can we visually depict our historical community using metal to tell a story.” Following the field trip, students were asked to sketch an idea that could go from concept, to draft, to design, and finally to production. From the designs submitted, twenty were selected to present their designs on May 9th in a juried art show to select the final ten which will be incorporated into a public art exhibit throughout the community.



The three sketches are just a few examples of the incredible artwork from MJHS 7th Grade students following their field trip of downtown Madison. These three are part of the Juried Art Show on May 9.







# Spring CHICKS!

May 1st was an exciting day for the Deputy Elementary PreK-4 classroom! #18 hatched first at 1:59 p.m. in the incubator of eggs the students had been caring for and watching patiently.

Throughout the week, students have enjoyed meeting SEVEN new friends, listening to them chirp, and watching them grow.

The baby chicks have been adopted and are making their way home to forever homes today!



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Madison Junior High Theatre  
Presents

Book by  
Dennis Kelly

Music and Lyrics by  
Tim Minchin

May 10 - 7:00 pm  
May 11 - 7:00 pm  
May 12 - 7:00 pm

ROALD DAHL  
**Matilda**  
THE MUSICAL JR.

Tickets  
<https://our.show/mjhs/matilda jr>

In the Opal E. Sherman Auditorium





# Centennial Celebration

## Lydia Middleton Elementary School Turning 100!

Students and staff are preparing for a very busy fall as they work to compile a century of history about their school to share with our community.

A special Centennial Celebration committee is working together to plan activities to mark the monumental milestone in October.

There will be a re-dedication of the building, a community celebration, and lots of student-focused activities to learn more about the 100-year history of their school.

Be on the lookout for more information as things develop! Be sure to 'Like' our Facebook page and follow along - @Lydia Middleton Elementary School



A photo of Miss Lydia that hangs near the Main Office of Lydia Middleton Elementary

We are delighted to invite you to attend the induction of the Class of 2023 distinguished Madison Consolidated High School Alumni

## Alumni Hall of Fame

Marilyn McQueen - Class of '64  
Gary Chandler - Class of '76  
Nick Griffith - Class of '99

Wall of Fame Ceremony

**Friday, May 12, 2023, 8:30 a.m.**

Connor K. Salm Gymnasium

*Enter through doors 6 or 9*

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