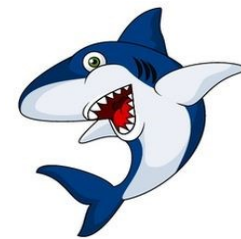


MSMHS FISH TALES



that are true from the desk of Dr. Spera

Week of October 9, 2018

3rd Annual College Decision Day at MSMHS



GROTON, CT - When two principals get together to figure out how they can collaborate, great things happen. Three years ago, TRMC Principal, Brad Columbus, and Dr. Spera came up with the idea of having students interviewed and accepted on the spot during the school day. A few years ago, the dream became reality when five colleges accepted 100% of our 32 MSMHS students on the spot! In addition, a few schools awarded academic scholarships ranging between \$11,000 to \$22,000 a year per student!

This year we are hoping that more students take advantage of this opportunity. We are hoping to have over seven schools here for the day. Here's how College Decision Day works:

- Students must complete an application to any or all of the possible schools listed on the left by **Friday, October 26th or earlier if a school requests.**
- On date to be determined in November, students will be interviewed by college admission officers from each of the schools and will find out if they have been accepted to the College.
- Based on academic merit, a few colleges may award scholarships to some of the students accepted. This may be decided based on GPA, SAT/ACT scores or overall success of the student.

This is a great opportunity for all of our seniors! See your counselor ASAP!

'Y-Rod' Named September Student of the Month



Senior Yalissa Rodriguez, *New London*, is the September Student of the Month. Known as Y-Rod, is involved in a multitude of clubs inside and outside of MSMHS. Yalissa is a member of the executive student council where she holds the position of vice-president. One of her greatest attributes is her strong work ethic and ability to make all feel welcomed around her. She takes great pride in her 'nobody will outwork me' attitude.

Yalissa recently was awarded the Dr. Martin Luther King Scholarship worth \$20,000! She will be honored on October 18th at the Mystic Marriott for this achievement.

Yalissa plans on attending a highly competitive college in New England where she will study political science. Her future goal is to attend law school.

On behalf of the MSMHS Faculty, congratulations to Y-Rod!

PARENT TEACHER SIGN-UPS BEGIN NEXT MON, OCT 15

Parents wishing to sign-up for Parent-Teacher Conferences being held on October 24th and 25th will be able to sign-up for individual 10 minute conferences on Monday, October 15th in the Great Hall. Parents/Guardians who are unable to sign-up in person can have their student sign-up for them beginning Monday morning. Time slots for Parent-Teacher Conferences are between 2:20 to 5 pm on Wednesday, October 24th and 5:20 to 8 pm on Thursday, October 25th.

UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS



A/B SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9th

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Columbus Day	A Day/ Advisory	A Day	B Day	A Day/ Advisory

Check the website for times and dates when all of the MSMHS Clubs and Teams meet. Get involved!

NEXT PTO MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24th AT 6:30 PM

Officer Elections—Please Email Dr. Spera if Interested

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10th

College Board SAT Day for Seniors Only

Virtual PSAT Preparation for Grades 9-11

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24th

College Board PSAT Day

All 9th, 10th, & 11th will take the PSAT

College Exploration Day for Seniors