# The Bulletin

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Manchester Newsletter

## Welcome Back to MA!

School is back! The teachers are prepped and ready to kick off another great school year! The students, however, are not quite so excited. After a long, eventful summer, a 6:30 alarm ringing and an hour or so's worth of homework does not sound appealing. Manchester Academy was not empty over the summer, though. Teachers prepared classrooms and lesson plans. Football players lifted early in the morning and basketball practiced during the off-season. Soccer and softball fought the blazing heat, for practices and games alike. However, now that the first bell has rung, it is time for everyone to get back into the groove of school. Welcome back MA friends! Here's to a great year!

#### **Back-to-School Swim Party**

MA High School Students Make a Splash!

On August 7tb, the high school students took the annual plunge in to the Yazoo Country Club pool! Along with the water fun, the student council provided tasty treats. The football players enjoyed a chance to cool off in the water. Back to school never seemed like so much fun! Everyone had a "swimmingly" good time!

#### 7th Grade Orientation

New Students Oriented Towards Greatness!

Even though the school will miss the Class of 2019 dearly, a new class has stepped into the scene! This year's 7th grade class is here and ready to go! The staff and Student Council hosted orientation on August 9. Our headmaster, Bryan Dendy, gave a welcoming speech to start the day off, followed by our Secondary Principal, Jana Bardwell. Students met their teachers, learned the proper dress code and laptop procedure, and received class schedules and a tour of the school by Student Council members.

The MA 7th graders welcome newcomers, Hayden, Austin, Dixon Bain, Ryan Foster, Lizzie Diaz, and Kinsey Hope. All have already become part of the Mav family by participating in many of the offered sports activities.

At the end the orientation, each student chilled out with their new classmates and a popsicle. On behalf of everyone at Manchester, good luck 7th graders... you will need it!







#### Meet the Mavs

The Mavericks Meet Their Adoring Fans!

Meet the Mavs this year was one for the books! The mini mavs kicked off the evening, followed by the peepee cheerleaders. The pee-wee football team looks promising, with Drake Smith towering over even Coach Dew. After they made their appearance, the jr. high cheerleaders, high school cheerleaders, and the maverettes combined forces and put on a spectacular show! Even after a few technical complications, the performance was still outstanding. The girls soccer team were introduced next, followed by the Lady Mays softball team. Both are well into their respective seasons. The jr. high football team, which were next in the lineup, will be playing 8 Man football for the first time this year. The young Mavs are well-prepared to step up to the challenge. At the time of the newsletter, the junior high team are 2-0, winning their first 2 season openers. The high school football team will be playing 8-Man football as well, as they hope to be even more successful than last year. With seniors Upton Hitt, Cade Potter, Ty Kilpatrick, Matt Carroll and Reid Bain leading the team, the Mavericks plan to go for the gold!



### Principals Welcome Their Students!

Well, we're off to another great year! We have had a wonderful start to the 2019-2020 school days. Teachers and students are working hard and football, cheer, dance, soccer, and softball are off to a great start. They all have been most impressive!

ACT is just around the corner and preparations are being

made for review. Also, we will begin next week training our students involved in quiz bowl competition for the New Year. Our DS (Direct Studies) classes are the bomb! Thank you Mrs. Paul for all your hard work! Also a special thank you to my teachers who are the "rock stars of Manchester". They make all of this possible!

Thanks to the parents, students and staff for the constant support of this wonderful institution. We are so grateful for those of you who give of your time, talents and money to support MA. Go MAVS!

Jana Bardwell, Secondary Principal

Welcome back, students! We are off to a great start! Pee Wee football has their first win of the season. School Day pictures are Wednesday, August 28. All students must wear their Wednesday uniform.

We are so excited about our Grandparents' Day on Wednesday, Sept. 18.

Grandparents of our first-third graders will be invited to visit our school for a special day. More details to follow! Thank you for being patient while we make some changes in our café. Elementary students will only be allowed to purchase a lunch. Parents need to purchase an e-card from the Manchester website.

You may customize a card for the value of your child's lunch so there will not be a balance left on the card. Thanks for sharing your children with us and trusting us to build a loving and nurturing relationship with each one!

Tracy Fouché, Elementary Principal

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