



MANCHESTER REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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[Meet Manchester Kicks Off in North Haledon](#)

North Haledon parent and Manchester advocate Mr. Fred Stansfield mustered more than 70 parents Monday night for the first formal "Meet Manchester Meeting." Dr. Ney presented at the meeting and distributed an informational packet and DVD to all attendees. The purpose of the meeting was to have dialogue with North Haledon parents about Manchester and relate the positive attributes of the school. Dr. Ney was accompanied by teachers Ms. Sager, Mrs. Krafft, and Ms. Vander Groef; North Haledon parents Mrs. Nickles and Mrs. Sole; and former Manchester student and current North Haledon teacher Mean Petrillo, all who contributed valuable insight into the quality education available at Manchester. Mr. Stansfield and Dr. Ney are also planning the next "Meet Manchester Meeting" to be held at Manchester Regional High School in May for a more formal presentation and for an opportunity for North Haledon parents to see the school and meet more of our staff.



Mail Campaign Touting Manchester Programs

This week a mass mailing went out to 680 parents of 7th and 8th graders in our constituent communities of Haledon, North Haledon, and Prospect Park. The mailing consists of a letter explaining the benefits of a Manchester education as well as how the public high school can save parents as much as \$50,000 dollars while availing their children of an education provided by one of U.S. News and World Reports' Best High Schools in America. The mailing also contains an entertaining informational DVD produced by our own TV and Video Production class. Kids love it!



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Dr. Richard J. Ney
Principal

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Dear Local Resident:

What would you do with an extra \$50,000? Even in the best of times, that's a lot of money. Manchester Regional High School would like to write you a check for \$50,000 for every child that you don't send to private high school and college to ensure they get the best affordable education.

Well, while we can't actually write you a personal check, we can save you that amount, directly. You would spend that much per student, or more, for a local private or parochial school and 40 college credits at a state college or university. If you are considering a more expensive private school and/or private college, we can save you even more. If you are considering the local technical or vocational school, choosing our option could reduce your property taxes.

Here's the best part, you can realize these savings and still send your child to one of the Best High Schools in America, Manchester Regional High School. That's right! The prestigious weekly news magazine *U.S. News and World Report* identified Manchester Regional High School as one of America's Best High Schools in its most recent listing. (visit www.mrhs.net or <http://education.usnews.rankingsandreviews/listings/high-schools/new-jersey.com>). Also, The Star Ledger magazine, *Inside Jersey*, placed Manchester among the top three schools out of 40 similar high schools in New Jersey.

Both the national and the state level recognitions of the quality of education that Manchester Regional High School provides were totally unsolicited and unexpected. These magazines conduct their own independent research, and we are honored to have been selected by them.

What this means for you is that your child can go to one of the best schools available in the state and country without spending another cent. In addition to saving private school tuition, at Manchester, your child can also earn more than 40 college credits before graduating from high school. These credits are transferable to any public or private college in New Jersey as well as many others throughout the United States.

For more information, please contact my office. Better yet, view the enclosed informational DVD, and feel free to call us to make arrangements for a personal tour.

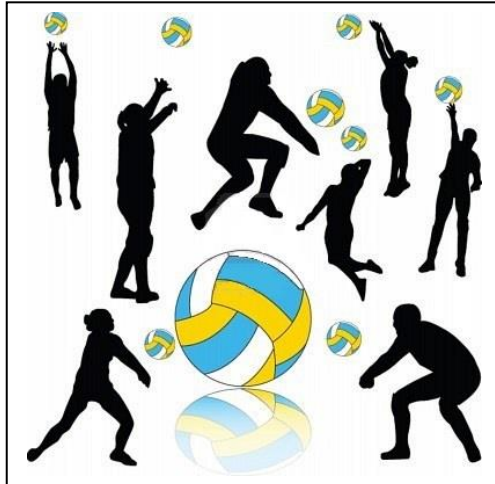
Sincerely,

Richard J. Ney

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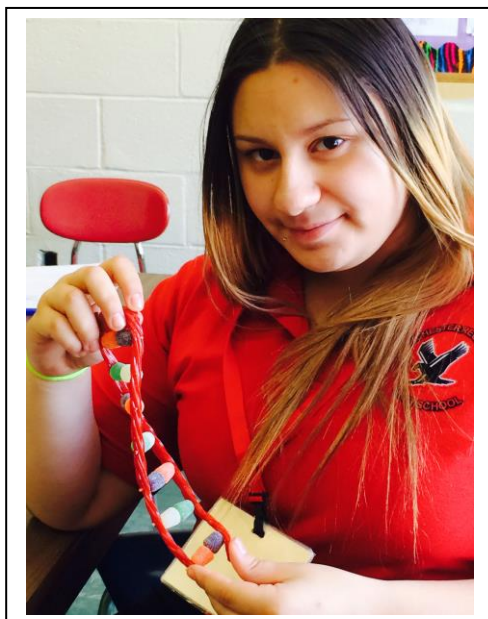
TGIF

Sergeant Donald Vanderveen of the Haledon Police Department announced today the scheduling of three TGIF events to be held in the Manchester gymnasium May 1st, May 15th, and June 12th. TGIF is a program sponsored and run by the Haledon Police Department assisted by Manchester teaching staff providing Manchester students an opportunity for positive socialization in a safe environment. Activities include basketball and volleyball.



Chewable DNA

This week Mrs. Hantson's Biology classes participated in a hands -on lab using licorice and gumdrops. Briana Rivera demonstrates her understanding of the DNA double helix model by assembling and labeling the bases and backbone of the nucleotides. After completion everyone enjoyed a sweet treat.



Artsy Office

Erin Smith created a masterpiece on the wall of the Yearbook Office. She designed it and has spent months painting the mural. She was so sad at the thought of finishing it that we immediately came up with yet another project-this time, one which everyone will be able to see: She's going to paint around the outside of Yearbook Office door. Erin is really proud and honored to be leaving a piece of herself behind for the MRHS community.



[High Velocity Geoscience](#)

This week Ms. Beres' geoscience classes students learned about calculating speed and velocity. They used a measuring tape to measure the distance between two points and their phones as a timer. They were then able to calculate the speed their little car would travel between the two points. Pictured: Briana Flores and Jathanna DeLaCruz



[MRHS Faculty and Staff Book Club](#)

The MRHS Faculty and Staff Book Club met on Wednesday, April 15th to discuss the book *Pilgrim's Wilderness: A True Story of Faith and Madness on the Alaska Frontier*. This was the first nonfiction work that we have read as a group and it was enjoyed by most. Our next selection is *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. We'll be meeting to discuss this 2014 National Book Award Finalist on Wednesday, May 20th and we encourage anyone who's interested to join us.

[More PARCC](#)

PARCC PBA testing ended just prior to spring break. Ms. Brogan did an outstanding job of organizing the testing, training proctors, and administering the exam. However, PARCC End of Year testing will resume Monday, April 20 and continue for four weeks. The schedule for the next round of testing will be different from the last round when testing was conducted in the afternoon with abbreviated morning sessions for classes. The next round of testing will be administered in the morning during the school day. This way, all students will be in school for the whole day during testing.

