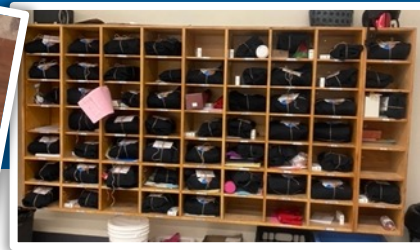


MCMS HSC Monthly Wrap-up

NOV / DEC 2022



Here are the HSC Highlights from
November & December

Last Staff Appreciation Lunch Of 2022

Lindy Burgon went all out for the final Staff Appreciation Lunch of 2022, providing delicious tacos and fajitas from [Sonora Taqueria](#).

[MCMS parents](#) also generously donated an assortment of homemade sweet treats for the Staff to enjoy.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this special lunch possible!



Thank you, Tni and Rani, for helping to set up!



Staff Gifts

As a special show of our support and appreciation, HSC gifted custom hoodies to each member of MCMS Staff.

Thank you, **Jen Belair and Deana Dearborn**, for coordinating the holiday gifts!

Panther Cup

PARENTS: 1, STUDENTS: 0

HSC kicked off the inaugural Panther Cup with Trivia Night on 12/2.

Although the MCMS Student teams gave them a challenge, the Parents won this event in the end!

Special shoutout to **Ms. Burrows, Mr. Lauster, and Ms. McGuiness**, who impressed everyone with their trivia skills.

Thank you for supporting our event!

Thank you also to [Amore Mio Pizzeria](#), and **Tacos by Raúl**, for cooking for our event!

Be on the lookout in ParentSquare for details about our next event, **Game Night**, in early 2023!



“One Team to Rule Them All”:

This Student team gave a valiant effort, but they were no match for the Parent Team, “Your Mom”.

The Student teams will need to bring their A-game to even out the score!



Somewhere in this sea of middle schoolers are the MCMS Panthers, calculating their way to a first-place finish!

Panther Props

In case you missed it...our 6th & 7th grade Mathletes took first place in a recent Countywide math competition!!

HSC had nothing to do with their win!

We just happened to witness it and thought it was awesome.

Kudos also to the 8th grade Mathletes, for participating in the competition, and putting in a strong effort.

And a huge thank you to our Mathlete Coaches, **Ms. Jones, Ms. MacKenzie, and Mr. Post**, who recruited our students and coordinated everything for the MCMS team.

Here's to another great showing at the January competition! **Go Panthers!**

Happy New Year!

What's on the HSC Slate for January?

**Home & School Club monthly meeting
(First Tuesday of each month)**

Tuesday, January 3 at 6:00pm in Room M3, and on [Google Meet](https://meet.google.com/oyf-sazd-gvr)
(meet.google.com/oyf-sazd-gvr).

All MCMS parents, guardians, and staff are welcome.

Volunteer to serve breakfast & lunch at school

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a8ae2aa0fa7-january2#>

Custodian: a person responsible for protecting or taking care of something

MCMS is fortunate to have a solid, long-standing team of Custodians. They are 3 unique men, who all care about our kids and work very hard to protect and maintain the MCMS campus.

If you haven't met them yet, here's an introduction. And the next time you see them on campus, please introduce yourself!



RICHARD BETHEL Evening Custodian

Growing up in the D.C. area, Mr. Bethel enjoyed taking field trips to famous museums and monuments, and he wishes our kids could do the same.

Richard genuinely cares about the students at MCMS. From giving pointers on how to improve a basketball shot, to reminding students to be respectful, he's here because he loves to help them.

Prior to working for our District, Richard was a union leader and part of a political action committee. He was also a Cook and had his own catering business.

In his free time, Richard loves to go Fishing and Golfing. He has also gone on 2 bike rides that were 100 miles each! He has a wife and 2 grown children, and on the weekends, he enjoys going to San Francisco with them to eat great food.

BLAIR MULLINS

Day Custodian

Mr. Mullins is a veteran of the U.S. Army, and was stationed in Monterey, CA. After being discharged, Blair settled in California and has lived mostly in Sonoma County for the past few decades.

Originally from Detroit, Michigan, Blair is still a Wolverine at heart; you'll often see him sporting a University of Michigan cap around the MCMS campus.



Blair has been a part of the MCMS community for the past 12 years. His wife also works in education, as an English teacher in Sonoma County.

Prior to coming to MCMS, Blair was a wood floor contractor, and he'd like to get back to creating furniture and other wood pieces when he's done with us!

In his free time, he enjoys watching football, mostly UMich, or the 49ers. He also likes visiting his 7 kids and 8 grandchildren!



VAN NGUYEN

Evening Custodian

Mr. Nguyen was born in Vietnam, but he has lived in California for over 40 years now.

Van has worked for our District for more than 25 years, mostly at MCMS, and it's all so he can provide well for his wife and 2 children. He is a dedicated family man; they are everything to him.

Van's great passion is Fishing. He goes any chance he gets, mostly in Pinole, which is close to where he lives. If conditions are good, Van will go fishing before work, even if it's just for an hour.

On the weekends, Van will sometimes relax at home. But most of the time, he takes his wife on outings to wherever she wants to go. Sometimes they will go to San Francisco or other parts of the Bay Area. Other times he will take her to Lake Tahoe/Reno. He is a busy man!



HSC Board Spotlight: Susanna Farber, Co-Secretary

Susanna Farber serves as the Co-Secretary for MCMS HSC. She and her husband Felix Meneau live in Terra Linda and have a 7th grader at MCMS, a 3rd grader at MES and they recently added a dog to the family.

She grew up in Marin and loves to take advantage of all the open space trails for a hike with friends and family, and also loves to spend time at the beach with a good book. She works as a labor and employment attorney and Director of Bargaining, representing unionized employees in both the private and public sectors.

Other members of the HSC Board include:

Flor Espinosa, President

Mary Lee, Vice President

Lynette Molloy, Co-Treasurer

Celine Schein Das, Co-Treasurer

Jeannie Bianchi, Co-Secretary

Teri Bleiweiss, Parliamentarian

**Early in the new year, we will begin recruiting volunteers for
next year's HSC Board!**

If you are interested in joining us, or you'd like to get involved with HSC in a different way, please contact us at mcmshsc@gmail.com.



MCMS Home & School Club (HSC) aims to create positive community and a high-quality educational environment for all students at Miller Creek Middle School (MCMS).

All MCMS parents, guardians, and staff are encouraged to get involved!

To contact the HSC Board, please email: mcmshsc@gmail.com.