May 11, 2026

A Proud Past, A Promising Future

"Never bend your head. Always hold it high. Look the world straight in the eye." — Helen Keller

All students receive one breakfast and one lunch at NO COST. Please take advantage of this awesome opportunity. If you do choose to bring your lunch, you can still get 3 items from the cafeteria at NO COST!

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – *Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
*Unless noted differently below.

MONDAY, MAY 11

EOC - English 2 (Reading)
AP Calculus AB - 8 AM

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Salisbury Steak Tips, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll, Fruit, Juice, Milk

- Golf State Championship @ Myrtle Beach
- Boys Soccer Quarterfinals @ Andrew Jackson 6 pm
- Softball Playoff Game #3 vs. Liberty 6:30 pm
- Baseball Playoff Game #4 (District Championship) @ B-L 6 pm

TUESDAY, MAY 12

EOC – US History
SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT 6 PM

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Nacho's w/Cheese & Chili, Black Beans, Corn, Pico, Taco Toppings, Fruit, Juice, Milk

- Golf State Championship @ Myrtle Beach

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

EOC - Biology
AP Eng. Lang. & Comp - 8 AM

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – BBQ Pork Ribs, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Roll, Fruit, Juice, Milk

- Softball Playoff Game #4 (District Championship)

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Senior Final Exams – 1st & 3rd Blocks

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – General TSO Chicken, Fried Rice, Egg Roll, Fresh Salad, Steamed Broccoli, Fruit, Juice, Milk

- Track State Championship
- Baseball Upper State Championship Game #1

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Senior Final Exams – 2nd & 4th Blocks
AP Enviro Science - 8 AM
Senior Class Picnic & College Signing Day

Breakfast –Manager's Choice, Juice, Milk
Lunch – Taco's, Taco Toppings, Corn, Tater Tots, Fruit, Juice, Milk

- Track State Championship
- Softball Upper State Championship Game #1
- Boys Soccer Semifinals TBD

SATURDAY, MAY 16

- Track State Championship
- Baseball Upper State Championship Game #2

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Senior Baccalaureate Ceremony – Wiles Chapel
Senior Sunset - MCHS

MONDAY, MAY 18

- Baseball Upper State Championship Game #3
- Softball Upper State Championship Game #2

TUESDAY, MAY 19

Underclassmen Final Exams 1st & 3rd Blocks

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

Underclassmen Final Exams 2nd & 4th Blocks

- Baseball Upper State Championship Game #4
- Softball Upper State Championship Game #3

THURSDAY, MAY 21

GRADUATION Practice – 8:30 am
Half Day for Students
Band Banquet 5 pm

- Boys Soccer @ Spartanburg 5:30/7 pm
- Girls Soccer vs. Batesburg-Leesville 5:30/7:00 pm
- Varsity Softball vs. Broome 6:00 pm
- Boys Soccer State Finals TBD

FRIDAY, MAY 22

GRADUATION – 8 am
Half Day for Students & Last Day of School

- Softball Upper State Championship Game #4

GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to **Carter Vinson** and **Treston Toland** for being named Mid-Carolina High School's Rotary Club Students of the Month for April and May 2026! Their hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence continue to make MCHS proud both in and out of the classroom. Way to go, Carter and Treston! ❤️ 🖤

On-going/Upcoming Events

2025-2026 ACT	2025-2026 SAT
Test @ MCHS	Test @ MCHS
July 11, 2026	June 6, 2026

ATTENTION MCHS CLASS OF 2026

- Tues., May 12th - Senior Awards Night @ 6 pm
- Sun., May 17th - Baccalaureate Ceremony @ 3:00 p.m. Newberry College – Wiles Chapel
- Sun., May 17th – Senior Sunset
- Wed., May 20th – Senior Elementary Walk 1:30 pm-2:15 pm
- Thur., May 21st – Graduation Practice 8:30 am
- Fri., May 22nd – Graduation 8 am

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

View all Scholarships by clicking on this link: https://sites.google.com/sdnc.org/mchsscholarshipinformation/home
If you have any questions concerning scholarships please see your guidance counselor.
- Sarah Wicker (A-F) swicker@sdnc.org
- Gwen McAllister, Lead Counselor, (G-M) gmcallister@sdnc.org
- Kindred Durant (N-Z) kdurant@sdnc.org

NEWS FROM THE NURSE'S DESK

Medication pick up letters were mailed last week. Parents, please make arrangements to pick up your student's medication from the health room by **Wednesday, May 20, 2026 @ 3:30 pm**. Medications cannot be sent home with students. If medications are not picked up, they are required to be destroyed. Thank you for allowing me to care for your student. Best wishes for a happy and healthy summer, Nurse Jenkins!

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M-C Faculty News

Our mission: To engage students in educational experiences that ensure success and life-long learning.

Our vision is of a culture where all ideas are valued; a cooperative relationship exists between the school, the district, and the community; collaboration is expected; and people want to work and students want to learn.



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11 Lessons from Training Camp 2026

I've been to a lot of events. I've spoken at a lot of events. But what happened this past week at Training Camp LIVE was something different.

From the moment people walked in the room, you could feel it. Not just energy… something deeper. Nearly 200 top leaders, winning coaches, and changemakers who refused to settle. Who showed up hungry, open, and ready to fight for something that matters.

This wasn't a conference. It wasn't a seminar. It was an experience… raw, real, and up close and personal with some of the greatest minds and hearts walking the planet right now.

There were so many powerful lessons shared that it would be impossible to capture them all in one email… but I wanted to pass along a few that I believe were meant to find you… right now, right where you are.

1. **The Voice You Listen To Shapes Your Future**
Tim Timberlake shared: "The voice you listen to determines the destiny you will experience." Protect your mindset. Be intentional about the voices you allow into your life.

2. **Legacy Is Built in People**
Tim Tebow reminded us: "Inheritance is left FOR someone. Legacy is left IN someone." Success is temporary. Impact lives on through people.

3. **Shared Struggle Builds Strong Teams**3
When people go through hard things together, they grow stronger together.

4. **Elite Results Require Elite Standards**
PJ Fleck said: "Elite doesn't understand average. Average doesn't understand elite." If you want uncommon results, you must embrace uncommon discipline.

5. **Consistency Is Greatness**
Sean McVay said: "Consistency is the truest measure of performance." Anyone can be great once. Champions show up daily.

6. **Be Where Your Feet Are**
Liam Coen shared: "Be where your feet are." Presence is power. Focus on the moment you are in.

7. **Character Determines Capacity**
Cori Close taught: "Our talent would be our floor, our character would be our ceiling." Talent may open the door. Character determines how high you rise.

8. **Confrontation Can Be a Gift**
Tony Dungy reminded us that honesty is meant to help people grow. Truth spoken with love builds stronger people and stronger teams.

9. **Adversity Can Become a Teacher**
Eddie George said: "Adversity has been my mentor. Failure has been my classroom." Hard seasons can produce wisdom if we let them.

10. **Focus Is a Superpower**
Buzz Williams shared: "Everything that demands your attention doesn't deserve your attention." Not everything urgent is important. Protect your focus.

11. **Fight for the Good**
This was my theme and I saved it for last because I believe it's the one that ties everything together.

Fight for the Good isn't just a motto. It's a mission. A decision you make every single day in a world where negativity, fear, division, and distraction are constantly fighting for your mind, your relationships, your team, and your purpose.

Fight for the Good in your mind when doubt tries to take over.

Fight for the Good in your relationships through love, forgiveness, and honest conversation… even when it's easier to walk away.

Fight for the Good in your team by leading with purpose and refusing to let negativity take root.

Fight for the Good in the world by serving others and choosing every day to be a light.

Don't just complain about the darkness. Bring the light. Don't surrender to what's wrong. Fight for what's right. Don't wait for good to happen. Go make it happen.

If one of those lessons hit you differently, that's not an accident… that's the one you need right now.

Apply it this week. Live it. Share it with your team, your family, someone who needs it today. Wisdom that stays with you only changes you. Wisdom that gets passed on changes everything.

And if you weren't at Training Camp LIVE this year… get on the waiting list now. Be the first to know when registration opens for next year. The people, the conversations, the truth spoken in that room… there is nothing else like it. It changes how you lead. It changes how you live. Don't miss it.

Now go Fight for the Good today!

Lead Positive,
Jon Gordon

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FACULTY & STAFF MEMBERS!



Happy birthday wishes to:



Pilar Morillo (5/13), Sidney Bush (5/23), Sharon Turner (5/24), Kaitlyn Fugel (5/25), Valerie Coppinger (5/26), DJ Sims (5/26), Kevin Winch (5/26), Melanie Stone (5/27), Carl Moore (5/28), Levi Joiner (5/31), Peggy Corley (6/3), John Lewis (6/15), Jason Long (6/22), Jessica Felker (6/25), Michael Mains (6/27), Jennifer Long (6/30), Hanna Reese (7/5), Ray Cooper (7/8), Shaquille Counts (7/17), and Wilheim Saldo (7/25).

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Important Dates

5/11	EOC - English 2 (Reading) AP Calculus AB - 8 am Track Shealy's BBQ Fundraiser Plate Pick-Up Girls Soccer Athletic Banquet
5/12	EOC - US History Senior Awards Night—6 pm
5/13	EOC - Biology AP Eng. Lang. & Comp - 8 am
5/14	Senior Final Exams 1st & 3rd Band Booster Club Mtg. 6:30 pm Softball Athletic Banquet
5/15	AP Enviro. Science - 8 am Senior Final Exams 2nd & 4th Senior Picnic & College Signing Day 11am-12:30pm
5/17	Baccalaureate Ceremony @ 3 pm Newberry College – Wiles Chapel Senior Sunset
5/18	SDNC Board Mtg. 6 pm Athletic Booster Club Mtg. 5:30 pm
5/19	Final Exams 1st & 3rd Blocks Cross Country Interest/Parent Mtg. 6 pm
5/20	Final Exams 2nd & 4th Blocks Senior Elementary School Walk 1:30 pm-2:15 pm Football Parent Mtg. - 6 pm
5/21	Band Banquet (5 pm-7 pm) Half Day for Students
5/22	Graduation—8 am Half Day for Students Last Day of School
5/25	Memorial Day—Holiday Schools/Offices Closed
5/26-5/28	Youth Basketball Camp (Ages 5-9)
6/1-6/4	Cheer Kiddie Camp
6/1-6/3	Youth Football Camp
6/8-6/10	Youth Basketball Camp (Ages 10-13)
6/15-6/17	MCHS Volleyball Middle School Camp
7/11	ACT
7/13-7/15	MCHS Volleyball Camp
7/17-7/31	Band Camp
7/20 & 7/21	2026-2027 Registration
7/22	Class of 2027 Senior Picture Day

Reminders

FACULTY SUNSHINE FUND

Don't forget to contribute to the MCHS Faculty Sunshine Fund. The cost for 2025-2026 is $20 each.



Please check your mailboxes and e-mail for vital information early each morning.





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