



MEMORANDUM

To:	State Board of Education & Early Development	Date:	June 28, 2023
Thru:	Acting Commissioner Heidi Teshner	Telephone:	(907) 269-4583
From:	Suzzuk Huntington, Superintendent/Director Mt. Edgecumbe High School	Subject:	14D Mt. Edgecumbe High School Standing Report

Note from the Superintendent

June has been an extremely busy month. Between closing out the fiscal year, admissions, annual evaluations, and preparing for the next fiscal year, my workload was just as heavy as it had been throughout the school year. Without students and teachers on campus, I expected my workday to more closely align to my 7.5-hour minimum work day, but maybe that will come in July. As we reached milestones and deadlines during this last week of June, I am grateful to the dedicated year-round Mt. Edgecumbe staff and the DEED financial, procurement, and federal grants management teams for the grace, support, guidance, and perseverance.

Admissions Update (as of 6/27/23)

Target class sizes and openings are general guidelines based on a full capacity dorm and typical schedule. Numbers may be adjusted based on applicants, dorm availability, and class numbers. Seniors are only accepted if transcripts align with graduation requirements.

- Returning students: 250, including 20 day students
- Not returning: 8 officially notified the office they will not return
- Capacity: female dorm beds: 242, male dorm beds: 164

Capacity- 406 Beds (plus 25 day students from Sitka) - 12 beds kept open for illness mitigation

Grade	Target class size	Returning	“Openings”	Accepted new	Class size
9	115-125	0	115-125	102+	102+
10	115-120	80	35-40	28+	108+
11	100-105	92	8-13	22+	114+
12	95-100	78	17-22	5+	83+
totals	430	250	167	157+	407+

+As of June 27, 2023, we are still reviewing applications and accepting students. We anticipate accepting 20-30 additional students within the next week or two.

Staffing Updates

Over the last few years, MEHS has had unusually high turnover rates among the staff. Some of that is due to retirement, while the other major contributing factor is the difficulty in finding affordable housing in Sitka. We are hopeful to maintain a full staff this school year in almost every department. *Contract staff (dorm, food service, health clinic, custodial) are not included in these numbers.*

1. New Certificated Staff
 1. 6.5 new teachers (including 1 administrator), plus 1 Long-term Sub (Aug-Dec)
 2. 5.5 new classroom teachers of 26.5 classroom teachers = 20.8% turnover
 3. 6.5 certificated of 34.5 certificated = 18.8% turnover
2. New Office Staff: 2 year-round staff, plus 1 moving from front office to business office
 1. 2 new office of 7 office/IT = 28.6% turnover
3. Maintenance Staff: 2 of 4 staff resigned between March-July 2023, with one temporary hire
4. Current vacancies: 1 Teacher (Art) and 1 Maintenance

Important Dates - see attached School Calendar

- August 15 - New Teachers 1st Day
- August 17 - Returning Teachers 1st Day
- August 26 - Dorms Open
- August 28 - Students 1st Day - Trimester 1 begins
- November 13 - Trimester 2 begins
- December 14 - last day of school
- January 6 - Dorms Open
- January 8 - School resumes
- February 26 - Trimester 3 begins
- May 9 - Graduation & students depart
- May 10 - Dorms close, last teacher workday

MEHS 2023 - 2024 Calendar

AUGUST

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Grading Periods

Aug 28 Trimester 1 Begins
 Sep 22 Progress Report
 Oct 20 Progress Report

Nov 10 Trimester 1 Ends

Nov 16 Grade Reports Emailed Home

Nov 13 Trimester 2 Begins

Dec 8 Progress Report

Feb 2 Progress Report

Feb 23 Trimester 2 Ends

Feb 29 Grade Reports Emailed Home

Feb 26 Trimester 3 Begins

Mar 22 Progress Report

Apr 19 Progress Report

May 9 Trimester 3 Ends

May 9 Graduation

May 16 Grade Reports Emailed Home

Holidays/Vacations

Sep 4 Labor Day
 Nov 23 - 24 Thanksgiving
 Dec 15 - Jan 5 Winter Break

Other Events

Aug 17 -23 Teacher In-service
 Aug 24 - 25 Teacher Work Days
 Jan 2 - 5 Teacher In-service
 May 10 Teacher In-service

Saturday Schools

Sep 2 Mar 2
 Oct 21 Apr 6
 Feb 3 May 4

AP Exams - First 2 full weeks of May

Dorms Open

Sat Aug 26 5pm
 Sat Jan 6 5pm

Dorms Close

Fri. Dec 15 Noon
 Fri. May 10 Noon

Aprvd: 2.22.22

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Teacher Inservice/Work Day



Grading Periods



Dorms Open/Close



Saturday Schools



Holidays/Vacations