



## PARENT NEWSLETTER

**DECEMBER 2024**

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### HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE/CHARTER SCHOOLS

Families of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students wishing to apply to attend a choice/charter high school must complete the High School Selection Form by **noon on Friday, Dec. 6**, to indicate the high school they wish to attend.

- Harborside Academy High School (incoming 9th grade only)
- Indian Trail Academies
- Kenosha eSchool Program
- LakeView Technology Academy
- Reuther Central High School

Apply at:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd\\_WSJT0pJlWk6FhPDeYqW23E0RX0uqXRQcieGLn8rf1NFTA/viiewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd_WSJT0pJlWk6FhPDeYqW23E0RX0uqXRQcieGLn8rf1NFTA/viiewform)

### GIFT OF GIVING

Mark your calendars for the Mahone Annual Gift of Giving...Friday, December 20, 2024.

Each year at Mahone Middle School we host the *Gift of Giving Program*. Developed at our school, the program allows our students to experience the joy of giving. Some of our students have never been able to give their family something special for the holidays.

Just before Winter Break, we will set up a “store” where randomly selected students will be allowed to pick out a gift (at no cost) for someone in their family. Typically, we are able to get about 600 students involved. The items in our store are all donated.

Are you interested in donating? We are collecting things to be used as presents (gloves, socks, lotion, candles, picture frames, coffee mugs, children’s toys, books, stuffed animals, decorations, ornaments, pen/pencil sets, jewelry, sports memorabilia, tools....anything can be donated as long as it is like new). You can drop items off in the front office from now until December 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generosity!

### QUARTER 2 GENEROSITY DRIVE

Mahone's Quarter 2 Generosity Drive will be a winter clothing drive for the Salvation Army. We will be collecting hats, Mittens, gloves, and sock from January 6<sup>th</sup> to January 23<sup>rd</sup>. The house in each grade level that collects the most items will win the Generosity Cup for Quarter 2.

### **STUDENT MESSAGES**

It is extremely difficult for us to deliver personal messages to individual students on a daily basis. Please make transportation/ arrangements prior to the start of the day with your child. Due to the high office traffic in the afternoon, **no personal phone messages will be delivered after 3:15pm.**

Sometimes students forget things they need for school and will call you from the classroom phone. All out-going calls will display the main office number (262-359-8100). If you receive a call from the main number and do not have a voicemail, **please do not call the office asking who called. All phone lines show the main office number and we will not interrupt classes to find out who called or why.**

### **Upcoming Events:**

- December 3 – PTO Meeting (Mahone Library, 5:30 pm)
- December 3 – Orchestra Concert (ITHSA, 7:00 pm)
- December 5 – Band Concert (ITHSA, 7:00 pm)
- December 6 - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance (5-7 pm)
- December 13 – No School (Teacher Professional Day)
- December 20 – Gift of Giving
- December 23-January 3 – No School (Winter Break)