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April 16, 2023

# High School PTSA Announcements



## Volunteers Needed for Spring Blood Drive

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Spring Blood Drive on April 28 from 8-11:30 and again from 11:30-2:30.

Volunteers help monitor students after donating, distribute snacks and walk them to and from the elevators.

[Click HERE to volunteer!](#)

**MEET**  
**CANDIDATES**

## 2023-2024 PTSA Executive Board Nominations

At the meeting on March 8, 2023, the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of candidates for the Executive Board of the Mt. Lebanon High School PTSA for the 2023-2024 school year.

President: Jean Thomas

First VP: Bonnie Dougherty

Second VP: Colleen Frank

Third VP: Carol Rosetti

Fourth VP: Dr. Joel Thompson (appointed position)

Treasurer: Allison Carey

Secretary: Kelly Latona

Historian: Natalie Kukla

Elections will be held at the April PTSA Meeting.



## Volunteers Needed for Cap and Gown Distribution

It's almost time to distribute the caps and gowns to the graduating class of 2023! Sign up to wish them well, and hand them their graduation attire! There are several days and time for pickup! Hope to see you there!

Parents from any grade are welcome to volunteer!

[Click HERE to volunteer!](#)



## Upcoming PTSA Meetings

Below is the schedule of meetings for the remainder of the school year:

- Wed April 19 - **DATE CHANGE**
- Wed May 17

Meetings begin at 1pm in room D205

[Draft Minutes from the March 9 Meeting](#)



## Volunteers Needed to Assemble Diplomas

It's one of the most important parts of graduation - THE DIPLOMAS! Do you know how they're put together? How we make sure that everyone's is just PERFECT? Sign up to volunteer!

Parents from any grade are welcome to volunteer!

[Click HERE to volunteer!](#)



## Volunteers Needed for Senior Reception

Senior Reception is a sentimental tradition, where the seniors and their parents gather to mix, mingle and wish the members of the Class of 2023 all the best in their future endeavors.

We are looking for some volunteers who DO NOT have seniors to help sell Prom Tickets at this event. Get a preview of what Senior Reception is like for when your kid is a senior, and volunteer!

[Click HERE to volunteer!](#)



## Volunteers Needed for the Class of 2023 Senior Picnic

We are looking for some volunteers to help at the Senior Picnic. Hand out snacks, serve pizza and give out Class of 2023 t-shirts! A great opportunity to see the Class of 2023 together right before their graduation rehearsal!

[Click HERE to volunteer!](#)



## Another Great PTSA Donation

You may have noticed new white, counter top containers in the ladies/gender neutral restrooms at Mt. Lebanon High School over the past few weeks.

Not having menstrual products readily available can be a distraction for students, and may interrupt their ability to learn.

Over the past year, our secondary PTA presidents have been working closely with Deanna Hess (Health Services) and Dr. Ron Davis to set a program to provide feminine hygiene products to students in our school rest rooms. Mrs. Hess will be working with our HS custodial staff to make sure that the bins are restocked regularly.

Thank you to our building custodians, Mrs. Hess, Dr. Davis and our PTSA for putting this program together!



## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK BBQ

Every year, Mt. Lebanon HS PTSA holds a Teacher Appreciation BBQ to thank our teachers and staff for another great year!

We are looking for volunteers to donate chips, loan us gas tanks for the BBQ, and to volunteer to help serve the meal on May 12.

Click [here](#) to volunteer or donate to this great event!



## Prom Chaperones Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help chaperone the Class of 2023 Prom!

The Mt. Lebanon Prom is a magical night- come see what it's all about! We need volunteers to help with registration and to chaperone overnight.

Parents from any grade are welcome to volunteer!

[Click HERE to volunteer!](#)

## WANTED: Committee Chairs for 2023-2024

If you are interested in serving as a committee chair for the Mt. Lebanon HS PTSA, please reach out to Jean Thomas ([jauro@aol.com](mailto:jauro@aol.com)) or Bonnie Dougherty ([bonnie\\_dougherty@hotmail.com](mailto:bonnie_dougherty@hotmail.com)).

- Class of 2024 Senior Prom
- Membership
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation
- Back to School Breakfast



## Schooloty Tip of the Week for Students

<https://youtu.be/68FecQTuXKQ>

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## Good News from the Classroom

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## Little Mermaid Tickets On Sale Now

April 27th thru the 29th

Mt. Lebanon High School Auditorium

<https://www.locallevelvents.com/events/details/25772>





**TICKET SALES OPEN  
APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>!**

**39<sup>th</sup> Annual**

**An Evening  
of Percussion**

<b>THU</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>SAT</b>	<b>SAT</b>
<b>5/18</b>	<b>5/19</b>	<b>5/20</b>	<b>5/20</b>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>

**[MTLPercussion.com/tickets](https://MTLPercussion.com/tickets)**

Percussion Concert Tickets On Sale Now

**[BUY YOUR TICKETS ONLINE](https://MTLPercussion.com/tickets)**



## REGISTER FOR DRIVER EDUCATION

The Mt. Lebanon School District Online Driver Education Program is Pennsylvania Department of Education approved. The full program consists of 30 hours of asynchronous modules beginning on the date listed and can be done from any computer, at any time before the final exam. Students will receive 3-hours of in-person individualized simulation and 3 hours in-person individualized car

instruction. This fee also includes the Pennsylvania state approved driver licensing test.

Click [HERE](#) for additional information.

## 2023 Spring Spirit Assembly Video



### FREE CLASS FOR AGES 16+

FREE continuing education class offered by the Mt. Lebanon Fire Department at the high school for residents and their over 16 year old children.

Register at [www.mtlsd.org/AE](http://www.mtlsd.org/AE)

No. 610 Home Fire Safety & Fire Extinguisher Training (Room C321)

Tuesday, June 13th (1-night)

6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

FREE for Mt. Lebanon Residents

Instructor: Kris Siegert & Josh Sadowy (Mt. Lebanon Fire Department)

This one night course will teach you how to keep your home fire safe! Mt. Lebanon Firefighters will be providing a fun & free interactive class which will cover the common causes of fires in homes, how to prevent them, and what to do if there is a fire. The evening will conclude with a training using a fire extinguisher in a controlled environment in the school parking lot.

The minimum age for any participant in the class is 16 years old. Please list all participants on your registration card. Max: 30 people.

## Summer Health Class

The Continuing Education Department is offering a summer health course to high school students. Registrations can be found at [www.mtlsd.org/ae](http://www.mtlsd.org/ae). Driver education is also offered over the summer.

No. 604 Summer Health Class for Students (A202)

Monday through Friday June 26th-July 14th

8:00 am-12:00 pm

INSTRUCTOR: Ms. Stilley

R \$300; NR \$330 (Limit 20)

No class: July 4th

The high school Summer Health course is a sixty (60) hour session yielding a semester of school work. It includes 15 mandatory classroom sessions that are held 5-days a week beginning Monday, June 26th and ending on July 14th (Friday). Monday through Thursday classes will be held in-person and all Friday classes will be virtual (The July 3rd class will also be virtual). Students have to attend EVERY class and missing any class time is subject to not meeting the requirements for a passing grade. Please note that it is the responsibility of the student/parent and not the Mt. Lebanon Summer Program to verify with their home district whether the class they are taking will fulfill necessary requirements.

(Grades 10, 11, 12) (1-Credit) This course is a concentrated version of the regular health course taught during the school year. It is designed for those students who wish to fulfill the health requirement outside of their regular school schedule. Health may also be taken for credit recovery for those who failed to complete the course during the regular school year.

The pace of the course is geared toward those who are willing and able to grasp the various concepts in a short period of time. Health is a course in self-awareness and self-analysis that challenges the student to examine their lifetime choices and decisions.

There is a strong emphasis on holistic wellness including the physical, mental, emotional and social components. The units of study include emotional wellness, stress management, nutrition, exercise, disease prevention and immunity. The unit in emergency aid will include information about first aid and CPR, but does not offer certification. Social problems of alcohol and other drugs are presented, and human sexuality is explored in depth. Parents should note that a degree of social and emotional maturity is required to participate comfortably in the course; therefore the decision as to when the course is selected during the high school career should be made after careful consideration of the individual student's level of maturity.

Students must complete a portfolio project for the Health course in order to fulfill graduation requirements. Students should see the instructor for additional information on this project.

## Thank You Harbor Freight!

Andrew Kuskil and the Applied Engineering Lab would like to thank Harbor Freight for funding their classroom grant idea!



## Pittsburgh Regional Science and Engineering Fair

On Wednesday, March 29th six students from Mt. Lebanon High School participated in the 84th annual Pittsburgh Regional Science and Engineering Fair held at Carnegie Science Center. Two of the six students earned category awards. August Zentner



earned the first place award in chemistry and a \$300 prize. Aidan Hall won the second place award in chemistry and a \$150 prize.

Pittsburgh Regional Science & Engineering Fair (PRSEF) invites middle and high school students to take on the challenge of designing, implementing, and communicating an original experiment while competing for cash prizes and scholarships. PRSEF is open to all students in grades 6–12 from the 21 counties within Western Pennsylvania and Garrett County, Maryland. The Science Fair has been a Pittsburgh tradition since 1940. It is also the third oldest science fair in the United States under the affiliation of Society for Science, which runs the Regeneron International Science & Engineering Fair (ISEF) and the Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovators Challenge middle school competition.

Listing of the students as pictured from left to right with their project titles:

- Natural is the New Look: Color Quality of Natural Dyes - Tiffany Wang
- Energy Storage Utilizing Electrolysis - Aidan Hall
- The Effects of Corrosion on the Force Laws of Springs - Lucian Mikush
- Optimizing the Fuel to Oxidizer Ratio in Model Rocket Engines - August Zentner
- Using a Molecular Docking Method to Evaluate FDA Approved Drugs for Potential Use as a PI3K Inhibitor - Katherine Ding
- Causes of Vitamin C Deficiency - Michelle (Siyuan) Yang

Please join us in congratulating these students!

Kyle Tilger and Josh Bilak

## Thank You - Earthquake Relief

Thank you for the generous contributions to support earthquake relief in Syria and Turkey. With the help of students, faculty, staff, and parents, we raised over \$2,400. This money will be shared with Doctors Without Borders and St. Rita's Foundation for Children in demonstration of our school's solidarity with the people of Turkey and Syria and to contribute to the humanitarian efforts underway.



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## PARENT RESOURCES



## Community Service

Visit the brand new COMMUNITY SERVICE web page for more information on where to volunteer, changes to the program and how to submit your hours!

<https://sites.google.com/mtlsd.net/mtlhscommunityservice/home>



## Volunteer Clearances

The PTSA is always looking for volunteers! In order to volunteer for various activities, you may need your clearances. Most volunteer positions require program volunteer clearances.

Volunteers should submit their Program Volunteer clearance(s) to Dana Martin ([danamartin@mtlsd.net](mailto:danamartin@mtlsd.net)) prior to the event or activity that they are assisting with at the high school. Clearances must be updated every five years.

All events through the A.O. require the following:

- [PA Criminal History Record Check \(Act 34\)](#)
- [PA Child Abuse History Clearance \(ACT 151\)](#)
- [FBI Fingerprinting Federal Criminal History \(Act 114\)](#) OR the [Resident of Pennsylvania Affidavit](#) if they have resided in Pennsylvania for at least 10 years. The Resident of Pennsylvania Affidavit must be signed annually.

These requirements can also be found through [the District website](#). It is helpful to post this information in the PTSA Newsletter and wherever volunteers are able to sign up.



Follow the HS Activities Office on  
Instagram!  
[@Lebo\\_AO](#)



[Stay up to date! Visit the AO website!](#)

## 2022-2023 Student Activities Calendar



### Community Flyers

Visit and bookmark

<https://www.mtisd.org/families/pta/community-flyers> to learn more about what programs are offered throughout the Mt. Lebanon community for our kids! From the Public Library to the Rec Center to Mt. Lebanon Sports and Scouts - we want to help you find opportunities in Lebo for your kids.



### Fundraisers K-12

Did you know that PTA Council maintains a fundraising webpage for all school related fundraisers throughout the district? Visit our page at <https://www.mtisd.org/families/pta/fundraisers> to see how you can support our students at all grade levels AND to see how your school club/team/activity can share news about your upcoming fundraisers!

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