Graduating Seniors:
It’s Time to Place Graduation Ceremony Orders

If you have not yet placed your order for graduation cap and gowns, announcements, class rings or other graduation keepsakes, please do so as soon as possible.

To place your order, click HERE.

If you have any questions, you can contact the company via email at customerservice@jostensnorcal.com or by phone at 916-989-3909.

IB Students need IB hoods and

Mata your calendar:

1/20 - Principal's Meeting with Parents and Parent Organizations, F3, 5 pm

1/20 - IBPO Meeting, F3, 6 pm

1/21 - MYP Visitation, F3, 7:15 am-1 pm

1/21 - Boosters Meeting, F3, 7-8 pm

1/22 - School A Rama - Big Gym 7:30pm
**cords**
All IB seniors will need IB graduation regalia (hoods and cords), in addition to their cap and gown.

**Diploma Students** require the following items:
- Hood (V-shaped)
- Blue cord (representing completion of IB program)
- Silver cord (for those who completed MYP sophomore year)

**Associate Students** require the following items:
- Stole (Tie-shaped)
- Blue cord (representing completion of IB program)
- Silver cord (for those who completed MYP sophomore year)

**Certificate Students** require the following items:
- Blue cord (representing completion of IB program)
- Silver cord (for those who completed MYP sophomore year)

The above items may be purchased starting **February 1st**. Orders must be submitted no later than **March 11**. All orders will be processed through **PAYPAL**. Items will be delivered to students at Senior Check Out.

Any questions, please contact [jenniecy@hotmail.com](mailto:jenniecy@hotmail.com)

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**Scholarships for Seniors**
The Mira Loma High School Booster Club, International Studies Students and Parent Club, Parent Teacher Student Association and the Tindell family are offering scholarships to graduating seniors.

Students must complete a scholarship form for each of the scholarships they’re interested in applying for.

For more information, click on the links below.
- [Booster Club Scholarship](#)
- [ISSPO Scholarship](#)
- [PTSA Scholarship](#)
- [Tindell Family Health Sciences Scholarship](#)

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**Pi Day T-Shirts For Sale:**
Get Your OctoPI Shirt

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**Winter Athletics Schedules Posted - Support our Matadors!**
- [Boys Basketball](#)
Pi Day T-shirts and sweatshirts, designed by Mira Loma student Marcus Parungao, are now available to order. Students can order theirs in the Finance office during lunch or break.

Shirts are $15; Crewneck sweatshirts $25; Hooded sweatshirts $30 ($5 surcharge for XXL sweatshirts). Please make your checks payable to Mira Loma High School, with Pi Day in the memo line. The last day to order is Friday, February 12. Shirts will arrive the week before Pi Day.

Outreach Communications Roundtable

Please join us in a Mira Loma Outreach Communications Roundtable Open Meeting on Tuesday, January 27th, 6 pm in F3.

All are invited—parents, students and alumni—to brainstorm how to send a clear Matador message out to our Sacramento community. Let’s use all possible tools (Facebook, Twitter, website, signs, t-
shirts, sponsorships, alumni, marquee, sky writing and ????) to get the word out about Mira Loma High School excellence. What suggestions do you have? When we go out into our community, what is our message?

Please join us for some collaboration Tuesday January 27th, 6 pm in F3. For more information contact Connie Pederson here.

Blood Drive

Please consider donating blood on January 29, 8 am to 2 pm, on the Mira Loma campus. The annual blood drive is hosted by the National Honor Society and California Scholarship Federation in conjunction with BloodSource. All Mira Loma High School students are invited. Mira Loma students have been donating with BloodSource since 1989 and have donated more than 3,500 pints of blood.

To schedule an appointment, see the NHS/CSF Club or look for the sign-up table. Students under the age of 18 must bring a signed parent consent form. Please bring a photo ID, and eat and drink plenty of fluids prior to donating. For eligibility questions, please call 866-822-5663. Donors will receive a free T-shirt.

Speech and Debate Team Competes in Invitational

Mira Loma’s Speech and Debate team competed last weekend in the James Logan Martin Luther King Invitational in Union City. Below is the list of awards received by our students:

- $15 through January 29.
- Tickets are $20 at the door.

Get Your Senior Ad

Don’t be left out! Parents, surprise your student with an ad in the yearbook. Seniors, give yourself a graduation gift. Ads include a personal message and photos.

Yearbook advisors are available to create your ad, or you can do it yourself.

Prices are as follows:
- Full page: $200
- ½ page: $120
- ¼ page: $80
- ⅛ page: $50

Bring your ad to A109 first period, or scan and email it to mlhsyearbook15@gmail.com

Please make checks payable to Mira Loma High School, Attention Yearbook.

Mira Loma BINGO Raises Thou$ands for our Matadors

The Booster Club manages a weekly bingo night (every Monday) that allows the many sports, clubs and organizations at MLHS to raise much needed funds to support our school. We raise between $80,000-$100,000 a year for our school when people volunteer. Sign up for a shift here.

Senior Families: It’s
in their respective events.

- Nishita Jain: Quarterfinalist, Lincoln-Douglas Debate
- Jonathan Kung: Semifinalist, Lincoln-Douglas Debate
- Maya Alexis: Finalist, 2nd place Runner-Up, Lincoln-Douglas Debate
- Anton Citko & Teevyah Raju: Double Octofinalists, Public Forum Debate
- Naveen Gunendran & Anne Islam: Double Octofinalists, Public Forum Debate
- Kendall Johnson & Navkaran Singh: Double Octofinalists, Parliamentary Debate
- Evelyn Zhang: Semifinalist, Oratorical Interpretation
- Divita Pandita: Quarterfinalist, Oratorical Interpretation
- Gahna Mujoo: Quarterfinalist, Oratorical Interpretation
- Evelyn Zhang & Catherine Wang: Quarterfinalists, Duo Interpretation
- Srilekha Bonala: Quarterfinalist, Original Oratory
- Pranav Kodali: Quarterfinalist, Original Advocacy

Mira Loma Students Semifinalists in Intel Science Talent Search

Two Mira Loma students, Muskaan Aggarwal and Claire Bernadette Burch, are semifinalists in the Intel Science Talent Search, the nation’s most prestigious pre-college science competition. Alumni of STS have made extraordinary contributions to science and hold more than 100 of the world’s most coveted science and math honors, including the Nobel Prize and National Medal of Science. Only 300 students are announced as semifinalists each year. Congratulations Claire and Muskaan on this amazing achievement!

Passport News

Movie Incentive

Students who met their academic goals for the first semester will be recognized with a movie and popcorn on Wednesday, January 27. About 75 students achieved

Never too Early to Plan

It’s all on the website. Go to Home/Students & Families/Information for Seniors

Are you a Techy?

We need technically proficient Matador parents willing to get involved with some of the many volunteer opportunities here at Mira Loma. We need volunteers to help with email campaigns; surveys; forms; newsletter and graphics editing; photography; webmaster; and data collection and research. Please contact Pete Bramson at miralomahswebmaster@gmail.com

Get your MataWear

New MataWear, including winter clothing, is available during lunch in C6. Get your MataWear and show your Matador spirit!

Matador Athletic Wear - On Sale Now

Click HERE to view and purchase Matador athletic wear for students and families. A portion of the sale supports Mira Loma Athletics.
their scholarly objectives. If you would like to donate popcorn, water, licorice or napkins, please contact the coordinator at jkuzmich@sanjuan.edu

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**Career Choices Curriculum**

One hundred fifteen Passport freshmen and sophomores are planning their futures with our new Career Choices curriculum. Students are actively developing a “10 Year Plan” as they map out their educational and professional post-secondary pathways. Students who successfully finish the program will have their own individualized student portfolio. Check out [www.CareerChoices.com](http://www.CareerChoices.com)

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**IB News**

**IB Exams Schedule**

For a schedule of IB exams, click [HERE](http://www.CareerChoices.com).

**Grocery and Amazon Purchases Benefit IB**

For grocery store programs, make sure Mira Loma IB is designated in your grocery store accounts. The key is clicking on our link each and every time you shop Amazon.

Amazon gives anywhere from four to eight percent of the purchase price to MLHS IBPO whenever you shop on Amazon.

Click the logo on the left to redirect to Amazon. Questions: Contact Mira Loma IB Parent and Scrip Chair Allan Biscocho

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**Come Out and Support Wrestlers**

Mira Loma Wrestling had its first team dual January 6 against Christian Brothers. Although we lost the dual, we had some victories. Both Daniel Montoya (145 lbs.) and Dmitry Boyko (160 lbs.) pinned their opponents, and team captain Tim Mulligan (195 lbs.) earned a forfeit.

Thank you to the 11 wrestlers who showed up to represent Mira Loma, as well as their parents.

Please check our schedule [HERE](http://www.CareerChoices.com), and come out to support your Matadors.

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**Crab Feed Updates**

MLHS Booster Club is gearing up for the 2016 Crab Feed. This year it is scheduled to take place on Saturday, March 12, 2016 at La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Engle Road, Carmichael, same location as last year.
Volunteer work is needed prior to the event:

- Obtaining donations of any size for raffle prizes, and live and silent auction items
- Selling event tickets
- Creating event signs
- Putting together raffle prize baskets, bid sheets, signs
- Prepping food
- And more!

Help is also needed on the event day (March 12, 2016):

- Set-up
- Guest registration and beverage sales
- Kitchen duties
- Clean up
- And more!

Last year's Crab Feed fundraiser was a huge success thanks to the many volunteers and donations from the community. We cannot do this without your help, so please consider signing up for one or more duties.

Contact MLHS Booster Club at miralomahscrabfeed@gmail.com if you are able and willing to help out. Thank you for your support!!

The Volunteer Spot link is [HERE](#)

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**Safe and Sober Grad Night**

Mira Loma’s Grad Night keeps our kids safe while they enjoy a fun all-night party with their friends. We need volunteers. Please Contact [Amy Edmiston](mailto:amyedmiston@miralomahs.org)

[Grad Night Flyer](#)  [Grad Night Form](#)

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