



Monroe Virtual School Newsletter

"A Different Avenue for Success"

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Welcome to the second semester of the 2009-2010 school year. We hope all students have been able to access and utilize their new email account. If you have any questions, please contact your instructor.

Students, this is just a reminder that many of our course providers have free online tutoring available. It will be listed in the course description area of their handbook. A second reminder, if you have moved or have a new phone number, please remember to contact your instructor or call the number listed below to give us your updated information. The last reminder, February 1-19 is our open enrollment period for all Wisconsin middle and/or high school students interested in attending the Monroe Virtual School. If you know of any interested student, please have them check out our website at www.virtualdiploma.net or call us at our toll free number 1-888-947-6437.

Calendar of Events

February 1-19, 2010 Open Enrollment Period- Current students do not need to reapply

February 1 Scholarship applications due at some colleges

February 6, 2010-ACT Testing

February 20-21, 2010 College Goal

Sunday (<http://www.wicollegegoalsunday.org/where.htm>)

February 26, 2010-No School for MSD

March 5, 2010-Registration deadline for ACT test date April 10th

March 26, 2010-End of Third Quarter for MSD-Virtual students should have a total of 8 courses completed

March 29-April 2, 2010-MSD-Spring Break

NEW! Career Cruising Website

Career Cruising is an internet based career and college exploration that a student can use to develop a career plan. Features of the program include:

Interest and Skills Assessment - an interest based assessment that helps students identify careers that may be suitable options

Career Profiles - thorough and current information about hundreds of different occupations, including direct links between careers and college programs; includes multimedia interviews with real people in each occupation

College and Financial Aid Information - ample college and financial aid information with a number of useful search tools

Electronic Portfolio - students can save password protected college and career searches (save your password in your planner), education and career plans, volunteer, work and activities, and valuable experiences can be integrated into a resume for college and job applications

Login at www.careercruising.com

Username: monroewi

Password: virtual

Call Debbie Schmidt, counselor, with questions at 608-328-7258

Planning for Success: Using Your MVS Daily Planner for Excelling in School

By Michael Kaszuba, Teacher, MVHS

"For every minute spent in organizing, an hour is earned." - Unknown

Many students have difficulty with time management; those with ADD/ADHD find it even more difficult using their time effectively.

One method of addressing time management is through the use of a daily planner. When used correctly a daily planner helps to organize your day, making difficult tasks more manageable and leading to a real sense of accomplishment.

You may have utilized a daily planner in the past without much success. I have written an article to help you with strategies to use your MVS daily planner and following through on what you schedule.

To find more about using your daily planner, [check the student resources in the counselor section of our website.](#)