



SEP 2023

# MINGUS MATTERS

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Every Student Celebrated | Every Student Prepared

## Hello Marauder Families!

The 2023-24 school year is in full effect! It is so great to have all our Marauders back in classrooms, on the fields, and on the courts.

Class of 2027, welcome to the family! Class of 2024, this is your year! **Go Marauders!**

Thank you to all the families who attended our Open House last month. What a great turnout! We were so excited to see you!

Some new safety measures were implemented over the summer including new fencing to better secure our school, a front entrance security camera with buzzer access, parking lot assignment planning to allow full closure of school gates, and changes to outside lunch eating areas. We were again awarded a school safety grant from the state that will equip Mingus with our full-time school resource officer for three more years.

Homecoming 2023 is just around the corner! Please show your Marauder Pride by coming out to our Homecoming events this month. Our students love having our stands and bleachers full of fans, so come out and cheer for your Mingus Marauders!

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for September 14th and 15th. Your student's Advisory teacher will be reaching out soon. We encourage you to meet with our teachers, look around campus, and enjoy this opportunity to support your student's high school journey.

As we kick the school year off, I encourage you to check your student's grades and attendance, become active members of the Mingus Union High School Site Council and the Marauder family, and join us on campus for our academic and extracurricular functions.

We value our partnership with you. I am happy to show you around our beautiful school and answer any questions you may have. Please do not hesitate to call or email me anytime.

Thank you for trusting us with your student's education. It is going to be an amazing year!

### September Dates to Remember

**September 4th**  
**LABOR DAY**  
No School

**September 9th**  
**Manzanita Outreach Food Share**  
(More information on page 9)  
11am - 12:30pm (West Lot)

**September 14th**  
**Governing Board Meeting**  
6 - 8pm  
Mingus High School Library

**Parent/Teacher**  
**Conference Schedule**

**September 14:**  
7:55am - 9:10am 1st hour  
9:10am - 9:20am Break  
9:20am - 10:35am 3rd hour  
10:35am - 10:45am Break  
10:45am - 12:00pm 5th hour

**September 15:**  
7:55am - 9:10am 2nd hour  
9:10am - 9:20am Break  
9:20am - 10:35am 4th hour  
10:35am - 10:45am Break  
10:45am - 12:00pm 6th hour

**September 9, 15 & 16**  
**PROJECT HOMECOMING CLOSET**  
(More information on page 3)

**September 18 - 22**  
**Homecoming Week**  
(More information on page 4)

**September 21**  
**Marauder Homecoming**  
**Community Bash!**  
(More information on page 5)

**September 22nd**  
**Early Release**  
Schedule TBA

**September 22nd**  
**HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME!**  
**Mingus vs Deer Valley**  
7:00pm / Bright Field

**September 23rd**  
**HOMECOMING DANCE!**  
7 - 10pm - Fairgrounds  
(More information on page 6)



*Genie Gee*  
Principal and  
Treasure Hunter  
Mingus Union High School







## Campus Events & Resources



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### **MUHS COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

Today's families are busy, and there's always something happening. Sync your family schedule with ours to avoid missing important testing dates and events when planning vacations and doctor appointments.

## FRESHMAN TUTORING

7:15-7:45 M-F

ROOM 409

Hosted by the Frshman On Track Team

Beginning 8/17/23





# prōject homecoming



**Sat Sept 9th: 10am - 1pm**

**Fri Sept 15th: 2:30pm - 6pm**

**Sat Sept 16th: 10am - 1pm**

**formal wear for  
ALL high school  
students!**



**Mingus Union High School**

**Enter West Parking Lot on Camino Real**

**Small Gym (200 BLDG)**

**Dresses in a variety  
of sizes and colors**

**Menswear: Suits and  
Jackets, Slacks,  
Vests, Cummerbunds,  
Bow Ties & Neckties**

**Jewelry & Accessories**

**Dress Shoes**





**M** *Marauders* **SPIRIT WEEK**

Show your school spirit  
by dressing up all week!

## September 18th - 22nd

Monday ~ dress up or dress down

Tuesday ~ dress like your type

Wednesday ~ Barbie (wear pink)

Thursday ~ Surfer vs biker

Friday ~ Class color

## MARAUDERS V SKYHAWKS

Friday, September 22

7am - 9pm

Bright Field

For Tickets to this game, Click

**GO FAN**







## Marauder Homecoming COMMUNITY BASH!

Thursday, September 21st  
6-8 pm on Bright Field

**Free**

**Event!**

We'd like to invite our community  
out for a fun filled evening of  
Mingus Union High School Spirit!

**POWDERPUFF FOOTBALL GAME**

**MUSIC BY DJ**

**GAMES**

**INFLATABLES\***

**SNACK BAR**

**FOOD TRUCKS**



**ALL AGES  
WELCOME!**

**GO BIG RED**

**Bring the Whole Family!**

**We can't wait to share our Marauder Pride with you all!**

\*Waivers for inflatables MUST be signed before participating





2023  
*Homescoming*

**DANCE**

*Forever Tonight.*

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD**

**7:00 PM - 10:00 PM**

**VERDE VALLEY FAIRGROUNDS**

**TICKETS ON SALE IN THE  
BOOKSTORE 8/31-9/15**

*\$30.00*







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EDUCATION



## **VACTE - The Valley Academy of Career & Technology Education would like to highlight our Construction Course.**

This course will introduce and train students in the basic to advanced skills necessary to pursue a career in construction. This course covers foundations, flooring, framing, plumbing, electrical, roofing, sheet rock, windows, doors, cabinetry, blue print reading, use of hand tools, surveying and construction math. Models to full-sized partitions are constructed in the shop. Projects at actual job sites are included. Upon completion of this course, students will have the opportunity to test for certification in Forklift Operations, OSHA-10, and Certification by the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

Students receive hands-on experience both in the classroom as well as on-the-job training while participating in business/industry internships. Many of our Construction students have been hired by local construction companies and are making competitive wages!

Come join our program! Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors can take this course. We have two sections and the students receive high school credit! You can participate in Skills USA and travel competing in many different competitions! We would love for you to come by the VACTE office on 3405 E. State Rt. 89A, Building B, in Cottonwood and see our amazing Construction classrooms. We are open Monday through Thursday from 7am to 4:30pm.

At VACTE, we envision a future where our students attain the skills to build professional careers that will last a lifetime.  
Our vision is "Skills for Today, Careers for a Lifetime".



*VACTE Construction Class working on their  
certifications on Fork Lift and Scissors Lift  
to prepare for the Demolition Derby Fundraiser.*



### **Our Construction class participates in Skills USA and they have won the following prestigious awards:**

- Gold Chapter Excellence in Arizona for 6 years
- Arizona Gold Chapter of Distinction 2019 - 2023
- National Gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award
- National Champions in Model of Excellence 2021
- Top 8 in the nation for Model of Excellence for 5 years
- Many Gold & Silver awards at state and regional level for Masonry, Carpentry, and Electrical.
- Many Gold & Silver awards at state and regional level for Leadership Events.

### **Our Construction Teacher, Mr. Black has won many awards:**

- Skills USA Advisor of the Year in 2019 & 2022
- National Wall of Fame Advisor - 2022
- ACTE Community Service Teacher of the Year - 2021







**TWO TIME WINNER  
COALITION OF THE YEAR!**

**WINNER OF: THE GAME  
CHANGER AWARD & HEALTH  
AND WELLNESS AWARD!**

## YATCY

### YAVAPAI ANTI- TOBACCO COALITION OF YOUTH!

Since 2014 YATCY has been a MUHS school club. Dedicated to educating and informing on the harmful effects of nicotine use.

As "Agents of Change" YATCY has created positive policy change in their community and the state. Designated smoke free parks/smoke free parks/Tobacco 21/State legislation work.

*Community  
Leaders*



### MEETING DATES AND TIMES

- Every Thursday at lunchtime
- In room 113
- 1st meeting of school year is Aug 17th!

**YATCY is supported by Yavapai  
County Community Health Services**



**Contact: Jen Mabery**  
[jen.mabery@yavapalaz.gov](mailto:jen.mabery@yavapalaz.gov)

[www.healthyyavapai.com](http://www.healthyyavapai.com)

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peer  
education*





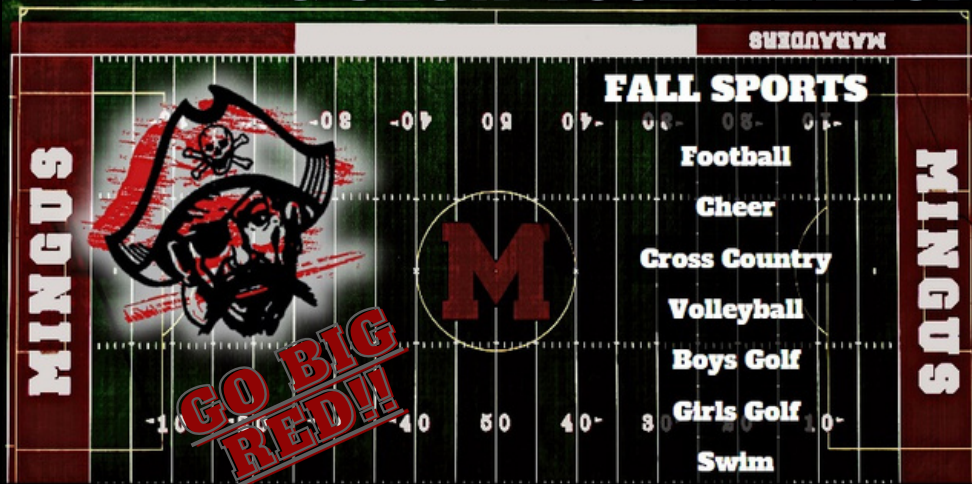
## **Athletics Program - Mingus Union High School District**

All current athletic events, team schedules and coaching information are posted to the [athletics page](#) for quick viewing. You can also subscribe to the [calendar](#) and receive daily emails by clicking the link below, then subscribe in the top right corner.

*\*Schedules are subject to change, so check often or call the athletic department for more info!*

**CLICK**

**COME OUT TO OUR SPORTING EVENTS  
& SHOW YOUR MARAUDER PRIDE!**



### **\$\$ TICKET PRICES \$\$**

- ADULTS: \$6.00
- CHILDREN (Ages 7-12): \$4.00
- CHILDREN (6 & under): FREE
- MINGUS STUDENTS W/ID: \$4.00
- SENIORS (Ages 55+) & VETERANS: \$4.00

\*GoFan collects a service fee (\$1/ticket) to support & grow a platform for schools. This covers the cost of the technology & credit card processing. Above prices include this fee.

use the QR code  
here   
or visit [GOFAN.CO](https://www.gofan.co)  
and search for  
Mingus Union  
High School



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## **FALL SPORTS SCHEDULES HERE**

CLICK ON THE ICON BELOW TO BE TAKEN TO THAT SPORT'S SCHEDULE



## **Sports Registration for 2023-24 is now available!**

Stop by the front office to pick up your athletic packet or visit

**[www.mingusunion.com/athletics](https://www.mingusunion.com/athletics)**

*You must be cleared by the Athletic Dept in order to participate in sports.  
Contact the Front Office for more information*

### **The following steps need to be submitted:**

1. Family ID online registration needs to be created and/or renewed for the 2023/2024 school year.
2. Concussion course and Opioid course needs to be completed through the AIA online academy
3. All athletes need to turn in their 2022/2023 AIA sports physical evaluation form completed and signed.
4. Visit our website [www.mingusunion.com/athletics](https://www.mingusunion.com/athletics) for all your registration needs







## Community Events & Resources

There's no doubt that our Verde Valley community knows how to come together to support those who live here!

This page will list some of those amazing Community Resources and let you know some of the events and happenings they have planned this month.

*Inspiring*  
**CHANGE**

*Providing*  
**HOPE**



**116 E. Pinal Street  
Cottonwood  
928-634-7869**

### How YOU can help...DONATE Today!

#### FOOD PANTRY

Wednesday: 9am-2pm & 4pm-6pm

Thursday: 9am-2pm

#### COMMUNITY MEALS

Monday, Tuesday & Friday  
11:30am-12:30pm

Monday 5:00pm-6:00pm	Wednesday 4:00pm-6:00pm (Served to-go only)
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#### HOMELESS RESOURCE CENTER

Monday, Tuesday & Friday  
9am-11am

Showers, Clothing & Resources

#### HAIR CUTS:

Monday: 4pm-5:30pm

Tuesday: 9am-12:30pm



#### THE KID'S SHOP

Monday - Thursday: 9am-2pm  
Monday: 5pm-6pm

Clothing and other items/resources

#### VISION:

1st Tuesday/month  
10am

#### LEGAL:

Call 928-634-7869

**\$\$ Make a FINANCIAL Donation \$\$ online at [oldtownmission.org](http://oldtownmission.org)**

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Together



**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9**

**MO @ MUHS FOOD SHARE**

11AM - 12:30PM (WEST LOT)

MANZANITA OUTREACH HOSTS A FREE FOOD SHARE EVENT AT MINGUS EVERY 2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH IN THE WEST PARKING LOT CLOSEST TO THE TENNIS COURTS OFF OF CAMINO REAL.

THIS IS A DRIVE-THRU EVENT JUST ENTER THE PARKING LOT AND FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS OPEN YOUR TRUNK AND AN INCREDIBLE FOOD BOX WILL BE DELIVERED RIGHT TO THE VEHICLE  
**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

