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#### **EVENTS SCHEDULE**

#### THU Apr. 11

- •3:30 TEN Adamsville H
- •4:30 SB Lexington A
- •6:00 SOC Chester Co H

#### FRI Apr. 12

•3:30 Track Dyersburg A

#### MON Apr. 15

- •3:30 TEN Middleton H
- •4:00 BSB Hardin Co JV/V A

#### TUE Apr. 16

- •3:30 TEN Bolivar A
- •3:30 TRACK South Gibson A
- •4:30 SB Hardin Co H
- •6:00 BSB Hardin Co H
- •6:00 SOC Lexington A

#### THU Apr. 18

- •3:30 TRACK USJ A
- •4:30 SB Southside H
- •5:00 BSB Wayne Co JV/V H

#### FRI Apr. 19

- •3:30 TEN Hornet Cup Tourney
- @ South Gibson
- •4:30 SB Florence Tourney A •5:00 BSB Wayne Co A

# SAT Apr. 20

- •12:00 BSB Fayette Acad A
- •4:30 SB Florence Tourney A

### MON Apr. 22

- •3:30 TEN Scotts Hill A
- •4:15 BSB Chester Co JV/V A

# **Senator Blackburn Visits with MCHS Students**



Students in Coach McCays' Contemporary Issues class met with Senator Marsha Blackburn (center right) on Friday, April 5th. Senator Blackburn talked with the students about her roles and responsibilities in the Tennessee government.

Senator Marsha Blackburn visited MCHS on Friday, April 5th to talk with students in Coach McCay's Contemporary Issues classes. Students from both fall and spring semesters were invited to attend the meeting and ask questions.

Blackburn was sworn into the Senate in January 2019. She is the first female senator for the State of Tennessee. As the senior senator for our state, she serves on the Finance

Committee, the Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee, the Veteran Affairs Committee, and the Judiciary Committee.

Junior Lainey Baker asked if Blackburn felt that Congress would ever be given term limits. Blackburn replied that term limits are already in place as elected officials must earn the trust of their constituents to be re-elected each term. She felt the bigger issue was to impose term

limits on the federal bureaucracy. "There are people in Washington who have made careers, some as long as 40 or more years. That's what we need to change."

Senior Gabby Chism asked Blackburn what she felt were the most important issues facing education. Blackburn responded with the idea that public education and any decisions concerning public education should be made by those who know

it best, the local school board, school administrators, faculty and parents. "These people know your schools and your students much better than someone in Washington who couldn't even find McNairy County on a map," said Blackburn.

Following their discussion, Blackburn posed for a group photo with the students, who thanked her for taking the time to visit with them.

