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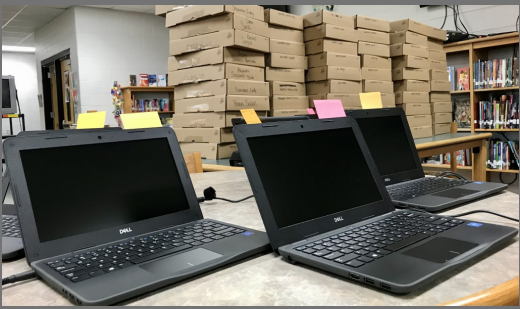
MARSHALL MEMOS

WE ARE MARSHALL & WE ARE DESTINED FOR GREATNESS!

Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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New computers are here! Click on [link](#) to register!

New Year & New Supports!

To better support our students and families, the Marshall staff is putting the following supports into place:

Attendance- To notify parents if their student is absent from a live classes, we are sending daily call outs and email notifications. We will target call outs on class periods each week that have the lowest attendance. This will include PLT. Please continue to encourage your student to attend and check in with all live classes daily. If your child is refusing to attend live classes, please reach out to the grade level counselor for assistance (5th/6th brandon.king@mnps.org & 7th/8th amanda.sowell@mnps.org). If your child is having technical issues, please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher or call our front office for assistance.

Academics- To better prepare students for upcoming assessments (ex. ACCESS, MAP, & TN Ready), we are revamping our focus on PLT time to include opportunities for students to bridge gaps and grow using online tools such as Study Island, Language! Live, iReady, and Achieve 3000. Please encourage your student to login to Schoology and participate in Live PLT instruction and complete all Asynchronous activities that are listed on the teacher's PLT Schoology page Monday through Friday.

Grades- To better support students, we will be reducing the number of graded assignments to help students who have been overwhelmed with the sheer number of assignments given in the virtual environment. The goal is to have a maximum of no more than two graded assignments per week per subject.

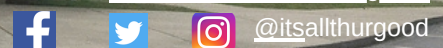
Social Emotional- To better support students socially and emotionally, we will continue our focus on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective people with designated time for related activities and fun games/activities on Tuesdays during Tier 1 PLT classes. We will also continue to do our weekly Weds. Wellness Check in homeroom classes with bi-weekly calls from Navigators.



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Attendance

Parents please continue to remind your child to log in and out of Schoology everyday and attend all live sessions on Monday through Friday. Our average daily attendance is still 89%, but our goal is 95% or higher. Please remind your child to please log into Schoology on Tuesdays and Thursdays and to attend each classes designated office hours to turn in work and get support. These days do count. If your child is having trouble logging in, please call the school or email the teachers or the grade level attendance secretary for assistance (christian.henry@mnps.org (5th/6th grade) and anahi.reyes@mnps.org (7th/8th grade)). **Thank you parents and students for helping us increase our Tuesday and Thursday attendance! Keep up the good work!**

7 Habits of Highly Effective People

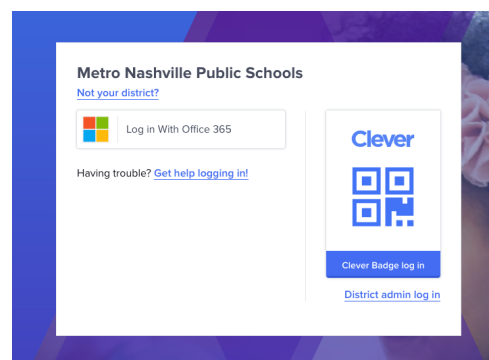
We have 5 months left to this school year. Each month we will focus on one of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People discussed in the book by Stephen Covey. These habits have also been highlighted in books for families and teens. These are habits that will help us to focus our attention on our goals and ways we can maximize our ability to reach these goals, keep ourselves refreshed, and have healthy relationships with those around us. We believe reviewing and practicing these habits will help us all unlock our potential! **For January, we will highlight Habit #3- Put First Things First.** This habit involves prioritizing and doing the most important things first in our lives. Check out this [fun video](#) on how you can do that!

IMPORTANT DATES & INFO

- **Daily Attendance-** To meet daily attendance requirements and avoid truancy letters and notifications, your child must login and logout of Schoology and attend scheduled live sessions every school day. If there is an issue with logging in, please notify your grade level secretary and teachers for assistance.
- **Technology Requests-** If your child needs a computer assistance or hotspot, please go to Glen Cliff High School (160 Antioch Pike). They will assign computers for those who have not received a MNPS computer yet. If you currently have a MNPS computer and are having issues, you can contact the Help Desk at 615-269-5956 or you can take the computer to Glen Cliff High School. To request school help with technology related issues (ex. logging in, Schoology, etc.) please submit a help request <http://bit.ly/TMMSTECHHELP> or contact your child's homeroom teacher.
- **After school programs for Marshall Students-** Click [link](#) and scroll down to Thurgood Marshall to view available programs or go to <https://www.mnps.org/before-and-after-care>
- **Marshall Athletics-** click on the [link](#) to learn how 5th-8th graders can participate in sports while we are in the virtual setting.
- **Report Cards-** 2nd Quarter Report cards will be mailed to parents this week.
- **MLK Holiday-** Monday January 18th - **NO SCHOOL**

Schoology Support

- **Watch Parent Schoology Training on 9/15/20** Learn how parents log into Schoology and check your child's grades and other data
- WWW.bit.ly/TMMSVL101
- **How students upload assignments in Schoology**
<https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/6aeecc9f-7b71-4045-afca-661b94e8bef8>
- **How to log into Schoology**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CsjERHNSzow&feature=youtu.be>
- **How to get Schoology alerts for absences, late work, grades, etc.**
- <https://support.schoology.com/hc/en-us/articles/201000903-Parent-Email-Digest-and-Overdue-Notifications-Email>

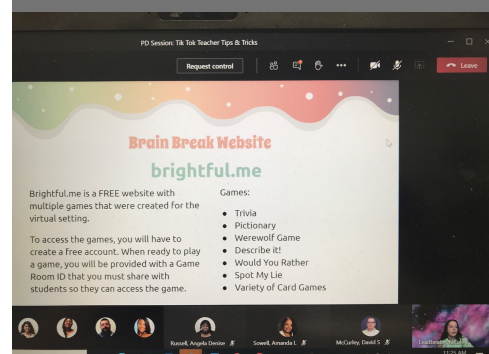


Students use Clever to login to Schoology
<http://www.clever.com/in/mnps>

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens ~ Sean Covey Mission Statement

1. **BE PROACTIVE** – Take responsibility for your life.
2. **BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND** – Define your mission and goals in life.
3. **PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST** – Prioritize, and do the most important things first.
4. **THINK WIN-WIN** – Have an everyone-can-win attitude.
5. **SEE FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD** – Listen to people sincerely.
6. **SYNERGIZE** – Work together to achieve more.
7. **SHARPEN THE SAW** – Renew yourself regularly.

Which one helps you organize your important events or tasks, the School Agenda or the Outlook Calendar?



Ms. Leadbeater, 8th ELA, leads staff PD on Tic Tok Teacher Tips & Tricks.



Student Novels, New Laptops, Agendas, and Marshall T-Shirts are ready for pick-up at the school between the hours of 9am and 3 pm.. When you arrive, use the buzzer to let us know you are here to pickup supplies