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Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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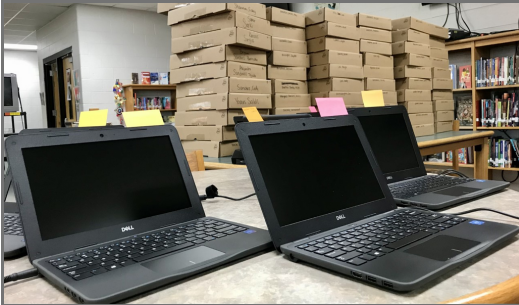
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Ready for MAP!

This week on Wednesday the 20th and Friday the 22nd we will be administering the next MAP test for our students during their Math & Literacy classes. This test is our principal means to determine how we can best help your child to succeed this year. Because of this, it is vital that your child be present and prepared on these two test days and to give their best effort without outside assistance. The data gathered from these MAP tests are used to set instructional goals for your student. Teachers recently completed data talks with their students to help them understand where they're at and more importantly to help them unlock their potential and meet their academic goals for the year. Teachers will conduct another round of data talks in early February, so it is vital that we have as many students participate in the MAP tests as possible.

Please make sure your child is well rested and eats a good breakfast the days of the test. Thurgood Marshall faculty and staff are working hard to unlock your child's potential and the MAP test is an integral and important part of that strategy. Thank you for your support in this matter. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Help us reach our goal of 100% of our students taking the MAP assessment!



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

map **RIT Stick**
Measuring Academic Growth

Name: _____

Subject: _____

RIT Change (pt to Winter)

What I'm good at:

What I need to get better at:

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Your Plan:

1. What are your goals for this subject area this year?
2. What obstacle(s) do you think might make it difficult to reach these goals? Consider factors inside and outside of school.
3. What will you do to overcome obstacles and reach your goals?
4. Use the following website to explore careers that interest you. What educational goals will you need to meet to enter that career?
<https://www.careermap.org/tools/careerinterest-assessment.aspx>
5. What can your teacher and your school do to help you overcome your obstacles and reach your goals?
6. What would you like your teachers to know about you?



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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

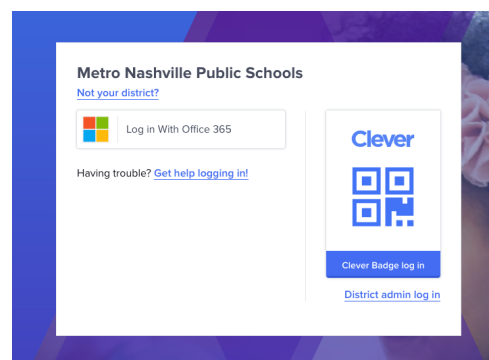
We have 5 months left to this school year. Each month we will focus on one of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People discussed in the book by Stephen Covey. These habits have also been highlighted in books for families and teens. These are habits that will help us to focus our attention on our goals 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.** On Tuesdays in Tier 1 PLT classes, students will explore how they can apply the 7 Habits to their own lives.

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 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.
- **MAP testing-** This Weds Jan 20 and Friday Jan 22 in Math & Literacy classes

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/6aeccc9f-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.

Tuesdays in Tier 1 PLT classes, students will do activities around the 7 Habits. Make sure you are there. It may be life changing!



Coach Gardner leads staff training on "Indoor Recess, Brain Breaks, & Other Ways to incorporate virtual/indoor Physical Activity"



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 pick up supplies