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Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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Mr. Deflorio's and Ms. Grys' students work in our TMMS Garden

In-person Transition Delayed

This past Friday, Dr. Battle made the decision to delay the middle school transition to in-person learning. She made the decision based on the "increased spread of the coronavirus throughout the Nashville community." We have not received a firm date yet on when the middle school transition to in-person learning will occur. However, we will be ready when that date is given.

Dr. Battle urged us all to "wear masks whenever possible, practice social distancing, and follow health care experts' advice on how to reduce the spread of COVID-19 so that we can begin welcoming our students back into the classroom."

This past Friday, we also had a TEAMS Live parent orientation to review what our in-person learning experience will be like for our students. We uploaded much of this information on our school's <u>Weebly site</u>. Despite the delay on the phase-in, we still moved forward with our revised in-person and virtual schedules on Tuesday, October 27. The new virtual <u>schedule</u> requires all students to check-in daily with their teachers at the same time Monday through Friday. We are hoping this will improve our students' attendance and grades.

Please click on the link below to view our TEAMS Live Parent meeting from Thursday Oct 22 at 6:30 pm https://bit.ly/TMMSPhasein

Click on the link below to ask questions you have regarding the phase -in of in-person and virtual learning. We will try to address your questions in upcoming parent communications http://bit.ly/TMMSQuestions



Attendance

Parents please 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 88%, but our goal is 100%. Our ADA has dropped a few percentage points due to a decrease in students logging in on the days that are primarily asynchronous. Please remind your child to please log into Schoology on Tuesdays and Thursdays. These days do count. If your child is having trouble logging in, please call the school or email the teachers and the grade level secretaries for assistance (5th/6th secretary shatika.hill@mnps.org, 7th/8th secretaryanahi.reyes@mnps.org).

7th Grade Vaccinations

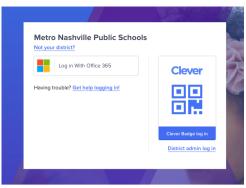
An updated Tennessee Immunization Certificate with proof of one additional immunizations is required when entering 7th grade. Immunizations are available from your child's doctor, or may also be available through the Metro Public Health Department if your child has TennCare, no insurance or insurance that does not pay for vaccines. Please fax (#615-941-7521), mail, or email a copy of your child's immunization record to amanda.sowell@mnps.org. If you email the records, please do not send a cell phone picture, but use a scan to pdf app to convert your picture to a printable PDF file. For more info about free vaccination locations please check our school website under parent info.

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 or hotspot, please use http://bit.ly/TMMSTECHREQ link to place request. We schedule appointments in the order the requests are made. Please email Mr. Allen if you have placed a technology request and have not received an email or phone reply to set up a time for pickup. adam.allen@mnps.org To request school help with technology related issues (ex. logging in, Schoology, etc.) please submit a help request http://bit.ly/TMMSTECHHELP
- Veterans Day- Thursday November 11. No School.
- Thanksgiving Holidays- Weds. November 25- Fri. 27

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



students. Keep those hands clean and stay 6 feet apart!



Our new garden and apple trees are begining to grow at the back of our school. A green house will be coming soon!