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Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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New computers are here! Click on <u>link</u> to register!

Staff Celebrations

We would like to recognize Ms. Johnson, our 2020-2021 Thurgood Marshall Teacher of the Year winner, and Mr. Weir, our Thurgood Marshall Support Employee of the Year award winner!

Ms. Johnson, who teaches 5th grade Social Studies and Science, is a rock star teacher! She continues to receive high praise from parents for her easy to navigate Schoology page, consistent communication, and responsiveness. Ms. Johnson purchases gift cards for students as attendance incentives, and has actively helped with teacher professional development.

Mr. Weir is a tutor, assistant band director, yearbook advisor, and pep band director. Mr. Weir is an aspiring teacher and is currently a member of the Nashville Teacher Residency program. **Thank you Ms. Johnson and Mr. Weir for all you do for our school community!**







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 89%, but our goal is 100%. 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 and the attendance secretary for assistance (anahi.reyes@mnps.org). Thank you parents and students for helping us increase our Tuesday and Thursday attendance! Keep up the good work!

Being Thankful

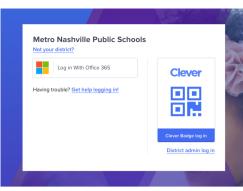
We have all been negatively impacted in one way or another by the current pandemic. According to Advent Health, "that's why it's perhaps more important than ever to focus on gratitude — the practice of noticing and being thankful for what is valuable and meaningful to you." As we move into the Thanksgiving Holiday, consider taking time to jot down some things your are thankful for or taking some time to have your family share things they are thankful for. Counting your blessings can improve your outlook on life and can be beneficial to both your physical and mental health! From all of us at Thurgood Marshall, we are thankful for our students and families sticking with us as we navigate all of these changes together. We hope you all stay safe and enjoy the break with your family!

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 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.
- EBT cards- If you think you should have received an EBT card, please call our office to check. We have tried to notify every family, but we still have some unclaimed cards.
- After school programs for Marshall Students- Click <u>link</u> 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 <u>link</u> to learn how 5th-8th graders can participate in sports while we are in the virtual setting.
- 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

