

#### November 4th 2020

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Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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In-person tech support @ Glencliff High School at back of building off Holbrook drive by Tennis Courts

## Supplies, Report Cards, & Questions

Since Dr. Battle made the decision to delay the middle school transition to inperson learning, we have adjusted our plan for distributing student supplies and reports cards. We will now be mailing all report cards to parents. They should be sent out this week, and you should receive them by next week. Despite this delay, parents can view grades at any time by logging into Schoology (see more info about this on the bottom of the next page).

We will distribute student school supplies this Wednesday and Thursday from 9 am to 12 pm and from 2 pm to 5 pm at the back entrance to the gym. Please pull into the back entrance by AZ Kelley and pull up to back gym door entrance to collect your child's school supplies. To expedite the process, and keep everyone safe, please have your mask on and the name and grade of your child written on a sheet of paper and visible on your dashboard.

Students and parents have asked questions in our survey about middle school sports. Because the uncertainty of the pandemic, we still do not know if we will have typical middle school sports this year. However, we are in discussion to launch some online intramural groups where our coaches work with students to review plays and help guide students' training and conditioning remotely. We will release more details in the coming weeks. For information on other after school programs please click on link and scroll down to Thurgood Marshall.

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 attendance secretary for assistance (anahi.reyes@mnps.org).

#### 7th Grade Vaccinations

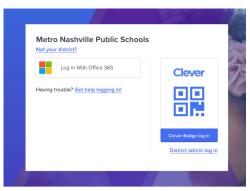
An updated Tennessee Immunization Certificate with proof of one additional immunizations is required when entering 7th grade. Immunizations are available from your child's doctor, or may also be available through the Metro Public Health Department if your child has TennCare, no insurance or insurance 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 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 <a href="http://bit.ly/TMMSTECHHELP">http://bit.ly/TMMSTECHHELP</a> or contact your child's homeroom teacher.
- EBT cards- If an EBT card is mailed to the school, we will have a secretary call you, or we will send an email to notify you.
- After school programs for Marshall Students- Click <u>link</u> and scroll down to Thurgood Marshall to view available programs or go to <a href="https://www.mnps.org/before-and-after-care">https://www.mnps.org/before-and-after-care</a>
- 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
- <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CsjERHNSzow&feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CsjERHNSzow&feature=youtu.be</a>
- How to get Schoology alerts for absences, late work, grades, etc.
- <a href="https://support.schoology.com/hc/en-us/articles/201000903-Parent-Email-Digest-and-Overdue-Notifications-Email">https://support.schoology.com/hc/en-us/articles/201000903-Parent-Email-Digest-and-Overdue-Notifications-Email</a>



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



Mr. Nichols conducts the Marshall band at Winter concert last year



Marshall staff hang out at last year's basketball game to show their support for our team