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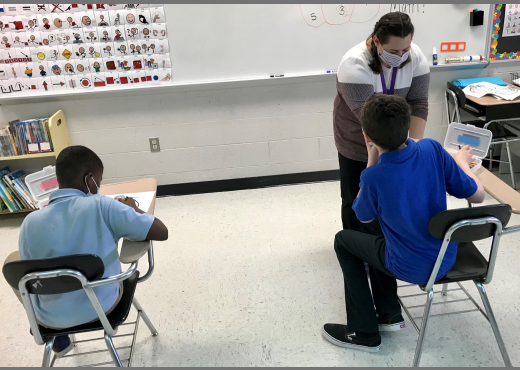
# MARSHALL MEMOS

WE ARE MARSHALL & WE ARE DESTINED FOR GREATNESS!

## Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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Students in Low Incidence classes returned to in-person learning again this Tuesday!

### In-Person Phase-In Take 2

Dr. Battle announced that since our COVID-19 risk score remained below 7 we would begin the phase-in of in-person learning again. Below is the schedule we will follow.

- Tuesday, February 9, Grades Pre-K-4 and students with exceptional needs
- Thursday, February 18, Grades 5 and 9, transition grades for Middle and High
- Thursday, February 25, Grades 6, 7, and 8
- Wednesday, March 3, Grades 10, 11 and 12

The day before those grades return, there will be no live instruction (i.e., an asynchronous day) for returning in-person students to give teachers and staff the chance to prepare for welcoming their students to their buildings. The majority of virtual students will continue to meet with their virtual teachers as scheduled unless their teacher is teaching both in-person and virtual classes. Teachers will share this information with their students this week.

Since we had prepared to welcome students back in October, we have posted information about the in-person schedule, dress code, arrival/dismissal schedule, as well as a video recording of a parent meeting about what in-person learning will look like on our Marshall Weebly site under "[Parent Info.](#)" Please check it out if you have questions.

As was the case before, the planned return of students to classrooms is still contingent on COVID metrics remaining at reasonable levels below the risk score of 7, which will be updated daily.



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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 continues to climb. We are currently at 90.4%, 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

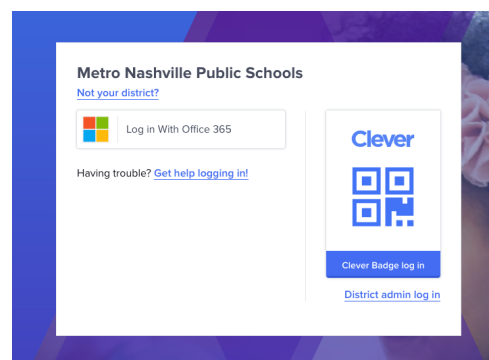
We have 5 months left to this school year. Each month we will focus on one of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People discussed in the book by Stephen Covey. These habits have also been highlighted in books for families and teens. These are habits that will help us to focus our attention on our goals 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! **In February we will highlight Habit #4- Think Win-Win** 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.
- **To Request or Swap Out for New Laptop-** Click [LINK](#)
- **No School- Feb 15- Teacher PD & Planning Day**
- **Asynchronous Learning Day-Feb 17th-** For ALL returning 5th-8th in-person students
- **WIDA testing-** Will begin in-person at Marshall starting Tuesday February 16th. More information to come from your child's EL teacher and the 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](http://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>

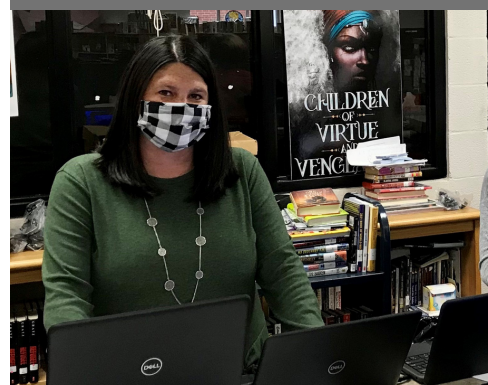
### The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens ~ Sean Covey

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!



Congrats to Ms. Smith, our library clerk, who is the new West End Library Media Specialist! We wish her the best!



Student Novels, New Laptops, Agendas, and Marshall T-Shirts are ready for pick-up at the school between the hours of 9am and 4 pm. When you arrive, use the buzzer to let us know you are here to pick up supplies