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Thurgood Marshall Middle School's Official Newsletter

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Ms. Pat joins Marshall as our new Library Clerk

## Welcome Ms. Pat to Marshall!

We are pleased to introduce Mrs. Patricia Healy-Swetland, our new Library Clerk, to the Thurgood Marshall Family. She likes to be called Ms. Pat, and she has jumped right in with a smile to assist Ms. Long with Library and Media support! We want to share a little information about Ms. Pat, so you can know her better.

Ms. Pat's family is new to Tennessee. Her family moved from Virginia about two years ago, but she is originally from NJ. Ms. Pat has a degree in Environmental Science from Rutgers University and worked in that industry for 10 years. She and her husband have a daughter who attends Syracuse University, and a son who is about to graduate from MLK Jr Magnet School. They also have three dogs, a cat, and fish. To relax, she likes to knit, read, and garden. Ms. Pat looks forward to exploring Nashville again post-COVID because she said this area has some wonderful restaurants and activities!

Ms. Pat is currently in graduate school studying Library Sciences. She said when her kids were young, she read to them a lot, and through that, she developed an enthusiastic love of children's literature. She has worked in libraries for ten years now, and she loves every part of connecting children with books. Ms. Pat said she is thrilled to be at Thurgood Marshall Middle where she can share her love of books with students. She said that it's been a pleasure meeting everyone and looks forward to what our future holds at Marshall.



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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 91.5%, but our goal is 95% or higher.** In-person students are expected to attend school Monday through Friday unless they are sick or have another excusable reason for being absent. Please remember to send any sick or excuse notes to your child's homeroom teacher or the attendance secretary (christian.henry@mnps.org). Also, please reach out to them if your child is having difficulty logging in. We appreciate your support as we continue to increase our average daily attendance!

# TN Ready Continues

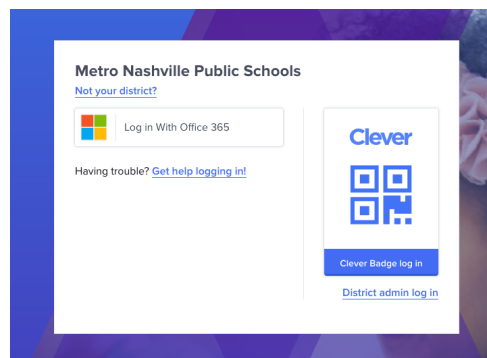
TN Ready Testing continues this week with In-Person testing this Monday through Friday. Testing for Virtual students finishes up this Saturday May 1st. Thank you parents, students, and staff for a great two weeks of testing! Just a reminder, students should bring their computers and back packs. Students may also bring phones, but no smart watches (ex. Apple Watches). However, all devices will need to be powered off and stowed away from the students during testing. If you have any additional questions about testing, please email your child's teachers or call the front office.

# 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. In-person students must attend classes daily. If they are sick they must send notification to the grade level secretary and homeroom teacher.
- **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.
- **Virtual Students TN Ready testing- Option 2: Two consecutive Saturdays:** Saturday April 24th and Saturday May 1st,
- **In-Person TN Ready testing-** Monday April 26th to Friday April 30th
- **Monday, May 3 to Friday, May 14th-** Final MAP testing for Virtual Students May 3rd-7th, MAP testing for In-person students May 10th-14th
- **Wednesday, May 19th-** Socially Distanced Block Party/Cook out
- **Tuesday, May 25th-** Last day for students. Half-day.

# 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/6aeeccc9f-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>



Marshall staff was ready for our Virtual students to join us at the school for testing



6th Grader, Yves shows off his future CEO swag during Spirit Week!



Staff celebrates 1st responders