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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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Mr. McCurley having data talk with student

## Remembering Jayden Taylor

Marshall family you are invited to join us for the Jayden Taylor Celebration of Life this Saturday, October 26 from 5-5:30 pm outside the Thurgood Marshall cafeteria. This will be an opportunity to remember and honor a student who was well known, loved, and taken from us too soon.

We will have select people sharing their fond memories of Jayden. We will also a special musical presentation and a balloon release at the end. Please dress appropriately for the weather because the event will be held outside and there is a potential for rain. We hope you can join us for this special ceremony. If you would like to assist with the event (ex. donate food for his family traveling from Chicago, set-up, or have pictures of Jayden, etc.) please email Mr. Gilkes (joseph.gilkes@mnps.org).

We thank you for your generosity and continued support for his family!





## School Read-"Strong Inside"

Thurgood Marshall has embarked on a special project: a school wide book reading of Strong Inside by Andrew Maraniss. Thanks to a generous donation from Humanities of Tennessee, each student will receive a free copy of the book and will be asked to read it at school or at home. Teachers will ask questions that relate to the book during morning meetings, and give students time in class to read the book as well. We hope this endeavor will help our students discover they are also "Strong Inside" and as a result unlock their own potential for greatness!

## **Clothing Closet**

We are running low on middle school sized collared shirts. Please consider donating new or gently used collared shirts to our clothing closet. Your donations help clothe needy students and keep students in class who are out of dress code. Donations can be dropped off at the main office.



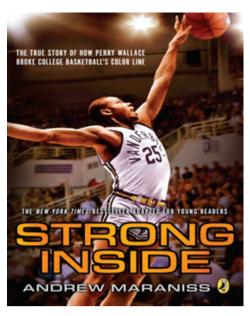
- Football Game- Come support the Mariner football team as they battle Thurs Oct 24 vs Wright @ Cane Ridge HS (5 pm). Tickets \$3
- Report Cards & Student MAP Data- This Tuesday students should have brought home their report cards and their MAP assessment results. Please take a moment to review and speak to your students about their grades, data, goals, and plans for this year. Please encourage them in their efforts this year to unlock their own potential!
- Red Cross Blood Drive- Weds. October 23 from 1 pm 7pm in the Marshall library.

## **Annual Title 1 Parent Meeting**

You are invited to our annual Title 1 parent meeting on Wednesday October, 30 from 5:00 -5:45 pm in the Marshall Library. At the meeting you will learn the following: What is a Title 1 School?, What are my Rights?, What can Title 1 funds be used for?, How does our school use Title 1 funds?, What is the SIP?, and What are our school-wide program goals? We will have translators available.

## Faculty & Staff Spotlight

We would like to spotlight Mrs. Rasheed our 7th & 8th grade general school assistant. Ms. Rasheed works in the 7th & 8th grade office upstairs with Mr. Dollar, the Dean of Students, and Ms. Sowell, the 7th & 8th grade Counselor. She handles 7th & 8th grade attendance and assists the 7th & 8th grade teachers, students and staff as needed. Mrs. Rasheed is always friendly, and served as this year's Blood Drive contact.



Strong Inside is a true story about Perry Wallace the 1st African American to play college basketball in the SEC conference

