

04/29/2022

Dear Families,

Below are a few updates from this week. This is one of my last updates for the 2021-22 school year!

Teacher Appreciation Week: Next week is an opportunity to shower love and support on our teachers. If you can, please sign up to bring items for Friday's "All American Cookout" and/or donate to our BINGO game. Here are links to help:

Teacher BINGO - Send in prizes for teacher BINGO or make an online donation
<https://link.zixcentral.com/u/0366b983/PG9uXVzA7BGpGg-ghnsoMg?u=https%3A%2F%2Fmjms-teacher-appreciation.cheddarup.com>

All American Cook Out Friday, May 6th - Sign up to bring items for the luncheon and drop off by Thursday, 5/5.
<https://link.zixcentral.com/u/c47cda4d/WlpuXVzA7BGW-Q-ghnsoMg?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.signupgenius.com%2Fgo%2F10c0949adae2aa3f49-mjms3>

PTO Meeting and Elections: We invite all MJMS parents and guardians to join us on **Wednesday, May 18th, at 12:30 pm** for our final meeting of the year. We will be meeting in the MJMS auditorium. Please check in at the front office first. We will be electing PTO officers for the 2022/2023 school year. If you want to volunteer to be an officer or on a committee for the MJMS PTO, please email mjmspto@gmail.com or call/text 615.218.9334.

Testing: We are winding up spring TNReady testing with final makeup sessions today. However, we also have Algebra I EOC tests next Monday and Wednesday. Our school has been a whirlwind of testing, counting, recounting, issuing, collecting, binding, and boxing. We have tried to provide students with some time to stretch and run around, and I even took a couple of laps around the track with our sixth graders yesterday. I'd like to take a moment here to commend Mrs. Butcher, our testing coordinator. She did an amazing job of keeping everything organized. Also, every time we had an "extra" need, our teachers volunteered to step in and keep everything running smoothly. Our students were cooperative and worked so hard!

Lost and Found: While I was outside with our students, I spent time picking up lost jackets and drink bottles. If your child has lost an item, please have him/her check the lost and found next week before it all goes to the help center.

Tree Removal: West Tree Service stopped by last weekend and hauled off all the downed trees in our front lawn, free of charge. It looks so much better up there, and we are very thankful!

Teacher of the Year: Congratulations once again to Jennifer Davis, our 2021-22 Teacher of the Year. She is a jack of all trades, from teacher to dance DJ to basketball announcer to carline expert. She is involved in every aspect of our school community, so if you have been to an event, you have likely seen her!

Support Person of the Year: Liz Mizell is our Support Person of the Year. She singlehandedly runs the office at our GHHS satellite. That means securing subs for teachers, handling sign ins/outs, running ISS in a pinch, and so much more. This is her first year on our office staff team, and she has handled it all like a champ!

May 3rd Stockpile Day: Just a reminder that we do not have students on May 3rd. However, teachers will be at school working and meeting. Do you know this will be our first “full faculty” meeting all year, since we are on two campuses? How exciting to see each other!

Attendance: Please pay particular attention to attendance these last few weeks. Pre-Covid, our school had the best middle-school attendance in the entire county. Right now, our chronic absentee rate is not pretty. If you can rearrange appointments that can be done before/after school or even in the summer, I’d appreciate it! Did you know that part of our school’s overall score for the year comes from this metric?

Shoutout to the Travelers: Our exploratory teachers travel between campuses every single day. Did you know? During testing, most started at MJMS to test, traveled to GHHS to teach, and then came back to MJMS for afternoon classes. Our admin team travel daily, our librarian travels, our counselors travel, our bookkeeper travels, and our office staff travels. We’ve been doing this for two years, and more to come. Thank you to every parent who makes sure the athletes get transported when the bus cannot run. **Why don’t you send a virtual hug to one of these amazing people!**

Summer Learning Camp: Our summer camps are full, but if you are interested in sending your child and did not submit your name, email me and I’ll get you on a waiting list.

8th Grade Day: Remember that we will host 8th grade day on our MJMS campus on Thursday, May 19th. Car riders should be dropped off at MJMS that day, and buses will unload all students at MJMS.

Rising 6th grade Parent Night: Flyer with more details on next page.


We will keep pushing forward for the next few weeks. Reminders to your students about expected behavior, strong work ethic, and good attendance will go a long way in helping us finish STRONG.

Bear Pride in the Middle,

Candis Angle



5th Grade Parent Night



OPEN TO ALL INCOMING 6TH GRADERS THAT
WILL BE ATTENDING MJMS IN 2022-2023.
COME SEE ALL OUR SCHOOL HAS TO OFFER
AND LEARN ALL ABOUT WHAT TO EXPECT IN
MIDDLE SCHOOL!

MAY 2ND
5PM-6PM
MJMS THEATER/GYM LOBBY

ENTER THROUGH THE GYM LOBBY
(RIGHT SIDE OF THE BUILDING)