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Dates to Remember

Tue, Sep 1 Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm Fri, Sep 4 NJHS Acceptance Letters due to Mrs. Udy Academic Bowl Tryouts—4:00 pm Labor Day—NO SCHOOL
Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm Mon. Sep 7 Tue, Sep 8 Science Fair Zoom Meeting—7:00 pm Wed. Sep 9 **Progress Reports** Thu, Sep 10 Fellowship of Christian Athletes—8:30 am

Tue, Sep 15 Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm Thu, Sep 17 Math Team Tryouts—4:00 pm—Cafeteria Mon, Sep 21 Yearbook Picture Day

Tue, Sep 22 NJHS Meeting—8:15 am

Student Council Interest Meeting-8:30 am Tue, Sep 22 Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm

Wed, Sep 23 Yearbook Picture Day Thu, Sep 24 Beta Club Meeting—8:05 am

Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm Tue, Sep 29

Mon. Oct 12 Teacher Planning Day—No School for students Tue, Oct 13 NJHS Meeting—8:15 am

Beta Club Meeting-8:05 am Thu, Oct 15 End of First Nine Weeks Tue, Oct 20

Report Cards go home NJHS Meeting—8:15 am Veterans Day—NO SCHOOL Tue, Nov 10 Wed. Nov 11

Fri, Nov 13 **Progress Reports** Beta Club Meeting-8:05 am Thu, Nov 19

Mon, Nov 23 -Thanksgiving Break Fri. Nov 27

Tue, Dec 8 NJHS Meeting—8:15 am Thu, Dec 17 Beta Club Meeting-8:05 am Tue, Dec 22 End of First Semester Wed, Nov 23 -Winter Break—NO SCHOOL

Report Cards go home

NJHS Meeting—8:15 am Beta Club Meeting—8:05 am

Thu, Jan 21 Fri, Feb 5 **Progress Reports** Tue. Feb 9 NJHS Meeting—8:15 am

Mon, Feb 15 Presidents' Day-NO SCHOOL Thu, Feb 18 Beta Club Meeting-8:05 am Tue. Mar 9 NJHS Meeting—8:15 am Thu. Mar 18 Beta Club Meeting-8:05 am

Thu, Mar 18 Report Cards go home Mon, Mar 29 -Spring Break—NO SCHOOL Fri, Apr 2

Tue, Apr 13 NJHS Meeting—8:15 am Thu, Apr 15 Beta Club Meeting—8:05 am

Girls with Pearls become Ladies (GPL)

The purpose:

Tue, Jan 5 Wed. Jan 6

Tue. Jan 19

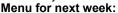
This is a mentoring program that empowers young girls to:

- inspire and promote self-love and selfacceptance
- develop life skills
- develop healthy coping skills, and decisionmaking skills
- inspire girls to further their education and dreams
- prevent bullying

To remain a member or become a member, after September 14th, a place to make that selection will become available. Stay tuned for information in the Clubs section of the BRMS website.

Cafeteria Meals Available

The BRMS Food/Nutrition program will provide breakfast and lunch to students in need during virtual instruction. Food pickup will be available at any school feeding site Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00 PM to 1:00 PM.



Rib-a-Que Sandwich Monday Tuesday Deli Sandwich w/Chips Wednesday Beefy Mac or Mini Calzone Thursday PB&J Sandwich w/String cheese

Friday

Beta Club Information

WHEN? Third Thursday of every month, beginning September 24 from 8:05-8:35 am (link to be copied in email sent to inductees).

WHAT? A club for 7th grade students with an OVERALL average of 90% or above at the end of their 6th grade

year, as well as favorable teacher recommendations & behavior records. Club Fees are \$30.00.

WHAT DOES BETA DO? Primarily, the BRMS Beta Club serves the Columbus community. Community service hours are *mandatory* for students to remain in Beta Club.
HOW DO I JOIN? Check your inbox and the Friday Flyer/

BRMS web site for details about payment.

National Junior Honor Society Information

Students who received invitations to join NJHS this summer should email Mrs. Udy their acceptance no later than September 4th if they have not already done so. New members will be put in an NJHS Canvas group. Meetings will take place at 8:15; dates are as follows (zoom link will be in NJHS Canvas): September 22, October 13, November 10, December 8,

Membership fees are \$30 and may be paid using the app. (App information to follow.)

January 19, February 9, March 9, April 13

Jr. Tome Society Information

Jr. Tome Society is the middle school level of the Tome Student Literacy Society (Tome Society), a nonprofit organization based in North Georgia. All activities promote self-esteem, leadership skills, character ethics, curriculum standards, and nurture critical thinking, creativity, and imagination in the digital age.



Jr. Tome Society provides an annual "It List" of 10 entertaining and encouraging children's and young adult literature; over a dozen student competitions that incorporate creative writing, visual arts, video and graphic design, and a reading bowl competition. There is also an annual conference for both students and educators. You can go online to tomesociety.org for more information on each individual competition.

Students who want to join the Jr. Tome Society are expected to commit to reading at least 5 of the 10 "It List" books during the school year. All of the It List books will be available from the BRMS library and most are also found at the public library. Students are also required to enter a minimum of 2 competitions of their choice with 1 being a fall submission and 1 being a spring submission. You are welcome to do more, but this is the reauired minimum.



Athletics News: Physicals Needed!

We still plan to have Middle School Athletics this year. The timetable to return is still under review. If you plan to participate in any sport this year, get your physical before coming back to school. You must use the physical forms that

are available to you on the BRMS Athletic website. Please make a copy for each sport you are interested in.

**If possible, please email your permission form and completed physical form to Coach Chad Bray at:

brmsathletics@muscogee.k12.ga.us

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!!

Coach Bray, Athletic Director/Head Football

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

This is an organization that allows students to worship, learn, and grow in their Christian faith. All are welcome, athlete or not. The meetings will be hosted by Mrs. Hudson and Coach Bray, but the lesson and devotional will delivered by a community leader or local pastor. Please join us;

it's a great time to worship and fellowship with our BRMS Eagles!

Date/time: Thursday, September 10, 8:30 am

Zoom link is:

https://muscogee.zoom.us/j/81800190183? pwd=SXRWeFM3NEUvcGtzb1dwdFNOd1dJZz09



BRMS Student Council Interest Meeting

Student Council is a great way to volunteer in our school, but also in our community. We organize fundraisers, school events, and activities throughout the year that are fun, but also promote outreach

and service. Join us at our Zoom Interest Meeting, Tuesday, September 22nd at 8:30 am.

Zoom link is:

https://muscogee.zoom.us/j/84258002371? pwd=MTd4RXdvbVdQcjEyZ0ozenRadU9KZz09

BRMS Math Team Information

BRMS Math Team Tryouts for the 2020-21 school year will be held Thursday, September 17, in the BRMS Cafeteria. The tryouts are for all grade levels (6-8) who wish to be on the BRMS Math Team.



Please email Mr. Dobbins at:

Dobbins.john.r@muscogee.k12.ga.us

if you wish to tryout and provide the following information in your email:

student email address (their GTID#@mcsdgas.com) so I can add them to a canvas course, student first and last name, student grade level at BRMS. All students who want to be on the BRMS team, even if you are past members, must attend the tryouts. When you come to the tryouts, please make sure to have a mask to wear while in the cafeteria and your Chromebook. I will space students out for social distancing as well. The tryouts will begin after school at 4:00 pm, and students will have one hour to complete the tryout test. Pickup will be promptly at 5:00 pm outside the BRMS cafeteria.

Academic Bowl Tryout Information

Academic Bowl will be conducting virtual tryouts via Zoom on Friday, September 4th at 4 pm. Please contact Mrs. Alicia Allen at



(allen.alicia.c@muscogee.k12.ga.us) to be sent an invite.



Robotics Club Information coming soon!



Zoom Reminders

Please remember, as you enter your Zoom classes each period, to display your first and last names. Teachers will not admit you if they do not recognize your name.

Students, please remember these class times each day, and arrive only 5-10 minutes before class begins.

Day	9:00 am	11:00 am	1:30 pm	3:20 pm
"A"	1st pd	3rd pd	5th pd	ILT
"B"	2nd pd	4th pd	6th pd	ILT

Make sure your video is enabled and your speaker is muted and that you remain in class for the entire time until you're dismissed.

What To Do If Zoom Fails

Students, always check your teacher's Canvas course for Announcements in the event that there is a Zoom issue. Usually Canvas will be working correctly, and your teacher will leave you instructions on what to do in case we have Zoom troubles.

Having Chromebook Issues?

If you have a Chromebook issue and need to bring your Chromebook to the school, please call the school and schedule a time.



BRMS Science Fair Information

Parents, guardians, and students, it is 🔊 SCIENCE FAIR time! BRMS's science fair is ready to roll! On Tuesday, Sept 8



join me to Zoooooom away into the wild blue yonder of science exploration! The meeting is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. to give you time to get home, relax, eat and take a seat. Parents and students should attend together if at all possible.

Zoom link: https://muscogee.zoom.us/j/81188236376

Passcode: 3650545

Mrs. Diane Carr, BRMS Science Fair Coordinator

Debate Team Information

DERATE TEAM

Come join debate! At BRMS, we have a thriving debate team where students learn to speak their mind

with articulation, passion, and factual evidence. You will learn lifelong critical skills and will enjoy traveling with us as we engage in highly competitive tournaments. Not only will you enjoy winning awards to pay

off your hard work, but you will also have fun in our welcoming debate community.

If you are interested and have the Remind app, use the code @brmsdebate, or if you don't, text the same code to the number 810-10. You can also email Mrs. Funk or Ms. Whiteley, the club sponsors:

Funk.Rachel.L@muscogee.k12.ga.us Whiteley.Ammie@muscogee.k12.ga.us



Lanyards are based on your first half of the nine weeks' grades.

> Lanyards will be issued:

September 14



MÖRNINGSIDE

CHURCH LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP CARD

I desire to use the MBC library and promise to obey all its rules, to take good care of all the items loaned to me, to pay promptly all fines or damages charged to me, and to give prompt notice of any change in my contact information.

Date	
Name	
Address	City/Zip
Phone	Email
Parent/Guardian Name	
Parent/Guardian Phone	Email
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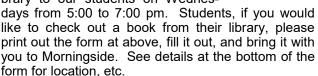
The Morningside Baptist Church library will be open Wednesday from 5 pm to 7 pm for checking out items.

Items loaned out have a two-week lending period and are expected to be returned or renewed at the end of the twoweek period. Failure to return or renew items can result in a fine to replace the item. If any items are damaged by the borrower, damage fees will be assessed.

The church is located at 6065 Morningside Drive. The library is in Building D which can be accessed from Frazier Drive. off Weems Road. The library building backs up to the small parking lot off Frazier Drive. The library entrance is under

Library Books Available

Thank you to Morningside Baptist Church who is opening their library to our students on Wednes-



Calendar Suggestion

Parents, we suggest that you purchase a calendar for your child to write down due dates for upcoming assignments, tests. Students are forgetting when things are due. They need to learn to use a calendar, organizational system.

Teachers Cadets

If you are interested in exploring what it's like to be a teacher, then this club's for you! Teacher Cadets will be meeting in the Month of September, date TBD.



We will also discuss the activities that Teacher Cadets will participate in along with opportunities to visit Columbus State University's College of Education Campus.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)

FBLA is the largest student organization in the country, and BRMS is one of the few middle schools in Columbus that has an FBLA chapter. This club is open to all students grades 6-8. You do not have to be in Business or Computers to sign up!



We'll get started in October, so look for more information coming soon. Mrs. Gillespie and Mrs. Walker will be the sponsors of FBLA this year.

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Each time you shop at an eligible store, you will help earn money for BRMS by entering your phone number in the PIN pad during checkout. All purchases are eligible with the exception of:

- Gift cards, money services, postage stamps and prescriptions
- Purchases made through Publix Delivery powered by Instacart and Publix Curbside powered by Instacart.

Congratulations on making it through Week 2 of Virtual Learning!





PTO Membership Drive

- Our online membership drive will begin August 24th.
- Join and pay online!
- 3 Membership options
 - A: \$10 Basic Membership
 - B: \$15 Membership + BRMS water bottle
 - C: \$20 Membership + BRMS water bottle & hand sanitizer





Membership forms are also available. Please make checks payable to BRMS PTO and place in the drop box in the front office.

For more information email us at BRMSPTO2021@gmail.com