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Dates to Remember

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Mon, Sep 28	Volleyball Practice				
Tue, Sep 29	Cross Country Meet—6:00 pm—Kinnett				
	Volleyball Practice				
	Cheer Practice—5:00-6:30—Gym				
	Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm				
Thu, Oct 1	Cheer Practice—5:00-6:30—Gym				
,	Volleyball Practice				
Fri, Oct 2	Eagle Recovery Day—B Day Classes				
Mon, Oct 5	Eagle Recovery Day—A Day Classes				
	Volleyball v Arnold—5:00 pm—Spencer HS				
Tue, Oct 6	Social Studies/Science Nine Weeks Exams				
,	Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm				
Wed, Oct 7	Social Studies/Science Nine Weeks Exams				
,	Football v Veterans (H) - 5:15 pm				
Thu, Oct 8	Math/ELA Nine Weeks Exams				
,	Volleyball v Roth/Richards (H)—5:15 pm				
Fri, Oct 9	Math/ELA Nine Weeks Exams				
Mon, Oct 12	NO SCHOOL				
Tue, Oct 13	NJHS Meeting—8:15 am				
·	End of First Nine Weeks				
Wed, Oct 14	Football v Harris Co (H) - 5:15 pm				
Cross Country Meet—6:30 pm—Kinne					
Thu, Oct 15	Beta Club Meeting—8:05 am				
	Fellowship of Christian Athletes—8:30 am				
	Volleyball v Aaron Cohn (A)—5:15 pm				
Tue, Oct 20	Report Cards go home				
	Cross Country Finals—Kinnett—5:00 pm				
	Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm				
Wed, Oct 21	Yearbook Picture Day				
	Football v Aaron Cohn (A) - 5:15 pm				
Thu, Oct 22	Yearbook Picture Day				
Fri, Oct 23	Volleyball v Harris Co @ Shaw—5:00 pm				
Tue, Oct 27	Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm				
Wed, Oct 28					
Tue, Nov 3	Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm				
Tue, Nov 10	NJHS Meeting—8:15 am				
	Wild Wing Café Spirit Night—5:00-9:00 pm				

Volleyball News

Wed, Nov 11

The volleyball team roster will be posted this Friday on the school's Volleyball website. Additionally, our practice for next week will be on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, with Friday, Oct. 2, being our first game at Spencer High School.

Veterans Day—NO SCHOOL

Next Week Class Reminders (Sep 28-Oct 1)

A Day: 1, 3, 5, ILT B Day: 2, 4, 6, ILT

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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Art Club Meeting

Our first formative meeting for Art Club will be Tuesday, October 6, at 4:00 pm thru Zoom. Send Ms. Daughety an email to receive the zoom link and signup information. Plans for traditional meetings will be made from here. Ms. Daughety's email is:

Daughety.Frenasee.R@muscogee.k12.ga.us

Cafeteria Meals Available

Virtual student meal pickup will still continue

DAILY (Monday—Friday)

11:30 am—12:30 pm

Lunch

Menu for next week:

Monday	Rib-a-Que Sandwiches or Soy Uncrustable		
Tuesday	Turkey/Cheese Sandwiches or Soy Uncrust.		
Wednesday	Beefy Mac or Turkey/Cheese Sandwiches		
Thursday	Chicken Broccoli Alfredo or Soy Uncrustable		
Friday	Meat eaters Pizza or Soy Uncrustable		

*NOTE TO ALL STUDENTS: All breakfast and lunch will be FREE for **all students** through December in our cafeteria!

Student Spotlight

Each week we spotlight students who have shown character, good manners, and a positive attitude. Congratulations to the following students who were chosen by their teachers as Students of the Week:

Grade	Student	<u>Teacher</u>
6th	Aashita Singh	Mr. Lips
7th	Nidhish Karanam	Mrs. Ġray
8th	Cayden Souders	Dr. Won
Connections	Keymara Stewart	Mrs. Freeman

Changes in Dress Code

Parents and students, please refer to your student handbook for details about our dress code. Two changes this year:

Holes in jeans—allowed as long as the hole is below the knee Hoodies—not allowed. Sweatshirts with no hoods are allowed.

Hoodies are a safety issue with a hoodie and a mask. Hoodies can be worn outside on cold days but not inside our building. With masks and hoods, we can't identify students in the event of a safety issue.



Students can wear jackets with hoods, but we ask they remove them inside our building. If a student needs a warm garment to wear all day, we recommend a sweater or non-hooded sweatshirt.

Chromebook Expectations

Students, you are responsible for:

- Charging up your computer at home every night.
- Bringing your Chromebook to school every day for all classes.



The teacher is not responsible for having a place for you to charge your Chromebook while in class. It needs to be fully charged, ready to go for the day.

Chromebook Issues?

Make sure to call the school in advance to swap out your Chromebook. They will have a replacement ready for you when you arrive at your scheduled appointment time.



Earbuds Needed

Students, please bring earbuds to school to use with your Chromebook. If you do not have earbuds, Ms. Hudnall has them for sale in the media center. Cost is \$5.00.

Nine Weeks Exam Policy

All academic content courses are required to have a nine weeks' test. This cumulative tests developed by our academic departments serve as a measure-

ment of content mastery covered in each academic core area at the end of the grading period. Students meeting the criteria listed below will be eligible to **exempt** nine weeks' exams in up to four academic core classes: Social Studies, Math, Language Arts and Science.

Exam exemption means a student may <u>NOT</u> be required to take the exam for a qualifying class, and/or the exam grade will not count against the student as they are exempt or will count to replace a low grade. During exam days, daily attendance to school is still required.

Exams are given over a four day period as established by the school's nine weeks' testing schedule. Students will still have academic work in the remaining classes each day. The criteria for exemption is per class, per nine week period, and is as follows for this first nine weeks:

- A class average of 88 or above
- *No major discipline resulting in ISS/OSS or more than 1 Saturday School for the nine week period to qualify.

Nine Weeks 1 Testing Schedule 2020-2021

Tuesday, October 6, 2020 - Social Studies/Science Wednesday, October 7, 2020 - Social Studies/Science Thursday, October 8, 2020 - Math/ELA Friday, October 9, 2020 - Math/ELA

<u>**Eagle Recovery Dates**</u>—to submit missing work: Friday, Oct 2—B Day Classes Monday, Oct 5—A Day Classes

Instructional Delivery Model Choice



Parents, below is the link for the second nine weeks instructional delivery model (virtual or traditional instruction). This only needs to be made for students who are CHANG-ING their selection.

https://forms.gle/V3ZN9uFi4e4678Kn6

Girls with Pearls



Girls, if you would like to join for this school year, go to

https://brmsgpl.weebly.com/

and look for the MEMBER button.

A link to the page can also be found on the BRMS school website in **Clubs**. We are looking forward to a great year!

Congratulations, Cheerleaders

Last week students tried out for our Cheer Squad. Congratulations to the following students who were chosen to represent our school for 2020-2021:

Aniyah Boone Evelynn Long
Carli Cooper Kara Pack
Sanai Crumlin Sophie Persons
Jordyn Dryman Kyla Robinson
Avia Edwards Amayah Senior
Alicia Finney Brooke Shipp
Ansley Jankiewicz Santana Williams

Cheer Practice

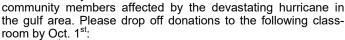
Tuesday & Thursday, Sept 29 & Oct 1 5:00-6:30 pm BRMS Gym



Helping Those In Need

Hurricane Sally Victims and Student Council need your help!

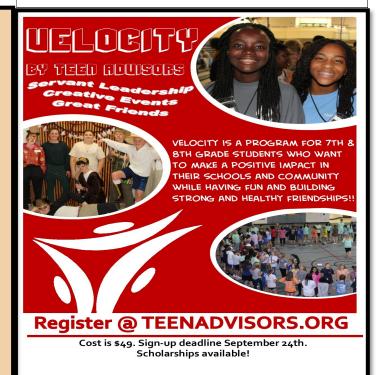
Please donate bottled water, juice boxes, and individually wrapped snacks, crackers, and chips to help those in need. All donations will be delivered by Mrs. Gorum to volunteers and



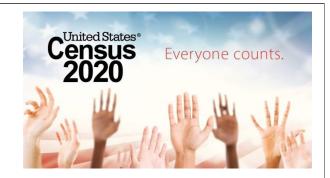
6th Grade – Ms. O'Hern 7th Grade – Mrs. Hudson 8th Grade – Mr. Shirley

** Also if you are interested in packing and decorating coolers, see Mrs. Hudson no later than Tuesday, October 6, for a permission form.





A MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT DAVID LEWIS:



MCSD Colleagues:

<u>URGENT - we need your help!</u> I am writing to appeal once again for your help with encouraging parents/ guardians and your neighbors to complete the Census before the deadline at **midnight**, **September 30**, **2020**.

As of yesterday, Columbus' response rate for the Census remains at only **58%.** Other tier-two cities in Georgia have a higher response rate. If these numbers hold, this would result in significantly less funding, support, and representation for our school district and community **for the next ten years**. Census counts determine federal funding for all entitlement programs such Title 1 schools, professional development, Special Education, the school nutrition program, after-school programs and much, much more. In addition to supplementary programmatic support for socio-economically disadvantaged schools, many jobs in our school district are paid through these allocations that would otherwise not be possible.

Please make a concerted effort between now and midnight September 30 to promote the completion of the Census with your co-workers, neighbors, students, parents and others to ensure that our district and community receive the funds needed to provide our community with a high-quality education and services. If not, other communities will benefit at our expense.

Complete the Census at my2020census.gov or join the Columbus Consolidated government this Saturday for an event to complete your Census (see attached). Thank you.

David Lewis Superintendent, MCSD

Clothing Bank

Sara Spano PTA Clothing Bank is now open for MCSD students. Please contact Ms. Rubio for more information.



Scholarship Opportunity

Reach Scholarship Applications for 8th grade students are now available. Please contact Ms. Rubio for eligibility and online applications

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Email: rubio.janina.m@muscogee.k12.ga.us

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