

TUESDAY TIDINGS – 9/18/18

UPDATE / REMINDER

- **Back to School Picnic** – Bring a blanket to the playground this Friday, Sept. 21 from 5-7pm. And say CHEESE! Our food truck vendor is now The Big Cheese! [View their mouth-watering menu of items](#) available for purchase. We'll also have free popsicles and a DJ playing fun music. (Plus, a PTA membership table will be there to make sign-up or renewal super easy, so bring a check or cash for your dues.)
- **Pastries with Powell** – Friday, Sept. 28th at 8am. All parents are welcome to join us for pastries in the cafeteria right after drop-off. This is a great opportunity to have face time with our principal, Mr. Powell. He'll start by giving a general school update, and then will answer any questions parents may have.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Watch DOGS Dads & Kids Pizza Night** – Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) is a national program that tries to make a positive impact in schools through the committed involvement of dads and father figures. Their kickoff will be Thurs., Sept. 27. Bring your son or daughter in for FREE pizza and drinks at 6:15pm and then learn about DOGS at 6:45. [Click here](#) to sign up, learn more, or see contact info for questions. Please pass on to any dads / granddads / uncles who might be interested! NOTE: DOGS is a program of the PTA (a nonprofit org.), so if you spend time volunteering during a school day it may apply under your company / government leave policies!
- **Maury Dine-Out Night** – Join your fellow Maury families at our first dine-out of the year at Los Tios Grill (2615 Mt. Vernon Ave) on Tuesday, Oct. 2! Eat dinner that night any time from 5pm to closing, (dine-in orders only) and mention you're there to support Maury. A portion of your bill will be generously donated to the Maury PTA. And no dishes to do when you get home!
- **Reflections Art Night** – Participating students get a jumpstart on their artistic entries into the PTA Reflections Competition on Monday, Oct. 15. FREE pizza will be served on the playground from 5:30-6pm, and students work on their entries from 6-6:45pm. We offer time, space and materials so that students can have a blast, creating theme-based artwork in dance choreography, film production, literature, musical composition, photography or visual arts. The theme this year is "Heroes Around Me". We hope to see lots of Maury artists in attendance! (Contact: Cindy Zmijewski Demers / cmzd17@gmail.com)
- **Maury 2018 Fall Gala** – Save the Date: This year's Gala will be on November 3, from 7-11pm. More info to come from the Gala Team this week!

IMPORTANT INFO

- **Room Parents Needed!** – Calling all moms and dads who are willing to serve as a room parent for your child's class! Volunteers are needed at all grade levels. [Please click here](#) to check out the list of classes in need, see more info about what room parents do, or for contact info.
- **Military Families** – Are you one? The PTA has a subcommittee to provide support. They also are looking for volunteers to help plan activities around Veterans Day (November) and our Military Kid Breakfast (April, Month of the Military Child). Please reach out to Josie Beets at Josie.beets@gmail.com to get on her list.

SEPTEMBER DATES

9/21 – Back to School Picnic (5-7pm)

9/27 – Watch D.O.G.S. Pizza Night (6:15pm)

9/28 – Pastries with Powell (8am)

OCTOBER DATES

10/01 – After-School Enrichment Programs start this week

10/02 – Dine-Out Night at Los Tios (5pm to closing)
10/08 – No School for Students (Columbus Day)
10/10 – Walk to School Day *
10/10 – Multicultural Night (6-7:30pm) *
10/10 – PTA Meeting (7:30-8pm, after multicultural night)
10/12 – Picture Day (8:30am-12pm) *
10/15 – Reflections Art Night (6pm, pizza available at 5:30pm)
10/15 – Book Fair starts (runs from 10/15 to 10/20) *
10/20 – Fall Festival 12-4pm *
10/24 – Curriculum Night (7-8pm) *
10/31 – Annual Book Character Parade *

** more info to come in a future Tidings*