

## TUESDAY TIDINGS – 2/12/19

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Crossing Guard Appreciation Day** – Tomorrow, 2/13 is a day to appreciate our crossing guards, who get up early and endure lots of bad weather so our kids can make it to and from school safely. The PTA will be handing out some small tokens of our appreciation, but think about encouraging your children to say "thank you" or to write a thank you note (or draw a picture) to hand to our crossing guards tomorrow morning!
- **February Dine-Out Night at Pork Barrel BBQ** – This month's dine-out will be at Pork Barrel BBQ (2312 Mount Vernon Ave.) on Monday, 2/25 from 6-10pm, so save the date! More info to come next week!
- **Special Ed Committee Meeting** – This month's meeting will be tomorrow, 2/13 in the Principal's Conference Room at 8am. For more info email Kristen Creighton at [kristen.s.creighton@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.s.creighton@gmail.com).
- **Supporting Your Gifted Child** – All are welcome to come hear consultant Dr. Richard Cash give a talk on *Understanding and Supporting Your Gifted Child* on Monday, 3/4 from 6:30-7:30pm in the multi-purpose room at Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School. Dr. Cash has worked in the field of gifted education for over 25 years.

### REMINDERS

- **Maury Day at the GMU Women's Basketball Game** – This George Mason University game will be on Sunday, 2/24 at 2:00pm (at the Eagle Bank Arena, Fairfax VA.) It's is a great way to enjoy a Sunday with your Maury friends and cheer on the student athletes who have committed to mentoring and volunteering in our school the past two years. Tickets can be purchased through the PTA at a discounted price of \$3 until this Friday, 2/15. If you are interested in tickets, [please complete this online form](#) and submit your payment to the PTA directly via cash or check in the PTA mailbox. The first 20 people to purchase tickets will get to participate in the High Five Tunnel at half time! You pick up tickets at will call on game day. If questions, please contact Ms. Forbes at [meredith.forbes@acps.k12.va.us](mailto:meredith.forbes@acps.k12.va.us).
- **Fourth Grade Talent Show** – We still need parent volunteers to help manage rehearsals and the Friday, 3/8 show. You could give audio and backstage support, or help with ticket sales, food sales, or marketing. This is a limited commitment, with 3 rehearsals and the show. If you can help out in any way, please email Becky Anderson at [4thGradeMauryTalentShow@gmail.com](mailto:4thGradeMauryTalentShow@gmail.com).
- **Maury Open House** – If you or a friend would like an overview of what Kindergarten and grades 1-5 are like at Maury, please join us in the cafeteria on Wednesday, 2/20 at 9am.

You'll find out what paperwork is required to register, and get a tour of our school.

- **Spring After-School Enrichment Programs** – General registration runs through Friday, 2/22 at 6pm. Online registration is preferred! [Click here](#) to register and see the class info.
  - Students enrolling after 2/8 will get bus service by week three but it cannot be guaranteed for the first two weeks.
  - Questions? Ask Jennifer Henel at [vpprograms@maurypa.org](mailto:vpprograms@maurypa.org)

## IMPORTANT INFO

- **Volunteers Needed for Open House** – We could use some parent volunteers to help give tours of Maury the morning of our Open House day on 2/20. If you're willing to help, please email Emily at [president@maurypa.org](mailto:president@maurypa.org).
- **Yearbook** – We'd love your photos for the 2018-2019 Yearbook – craft parties, field trips, singing concerts, storybook parade, anything school-related! If you have photos that you'd like to share, please email at highest resolution (Actual Size if sent by phone) to Nancy Ho Foster at [yearbookmauryPTA@gmail.com](mailto:yearbookmauryPTA@gmail.com). Please note the grades of the students in the photos. Information about Personal Ads will be coming soon.
- **PTA Board Members for Next Year** – We will start to recruit for next year's PTA board members and committee heads in the coming months! If you have any interest or questions, please email Emily Carlson ([president@maurypa.org](mailto:president@maurypa.org)), Courtney Schlieter ([immediatepastpres@maurypa.org](mailto:immediatepastpres@maurypa.org)), or Kris Schulz ([vpfundraising@maurypa.org](mailto:vpfundraising@maurypa.org)), who comprise the nominations committee.
- **Maury Families Affected by Shutdown** – we are glad you are back to work but realize many of you are still affected (and that federal contractors may still be stalled). Please access the following Maury community resources that will continue to be offered for the next week:
  - 1) Maury house account at Lena's: please take your family out to dinner! Multiple Maury families have contributed and there are ample funds for family dinners (just reference Maury house account; Mike/Emily managers set this up with us);
  - 2) Nick at Fairlington Pizza will continue to offer a free large pizza and salad any day except Friday;
  - 3) Maury parent Laurence Smallman will continue to offer free admission to Scramble to Maury kids (with parent federal ID) Tuesday-Thursday from 2-8pm and half-priced pizza.
  - 4) See Mr. Powell for other resources such as donated gift cards.

For more info on the above items, you can always [view older Tidings here](#).

*Note: purple items below are new or revised in this list since the last Tidings.*

## FEBRUARY DATES

- 2/12 – Spelling Bee First Round (for some classes, participants only)
- 2/13 – Spelling Bee First Round (for some classes, participants only)
- 2/13 – Crossing Guard Appreciation Day
- 2/13 – Special Ed Committee Meeting (8-9am)
- 2/18 – No School for Students (Presidents' Day)
- 2/20 – Maury Open House (9am)
- 2/21 – 4th Grade Talent Show Rehearsal [at 6:30pm](#)
- 2/23 – Spelling Bee Final Round (9:30am-12pm in the gym)
- 2/24 – Maury Day at the GMU Women's Basketball Game (2pm)
- 2/25 – Spring After-School Enrichment Programs Start
- 2/25 – Dine-Out Night at Pork Barrel BBQ (6-10pm)
- 2/26 – PTAC Summer Camp Fair at TC Williams (5:30-8pm)
- [2/28 – 4th Grade Talent Show Rehearsal at 6:30pm](#)

\* *More info to come in a future Tidings or separate post.*

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