

TUESDAY TIDINGS – 2/5/19

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Teacher Appreciation Dinner** – The PTA will provide a pizza dinner for our teachers this Thursday (2/7) after their long day of conferences. Remember to thank our wonderful teachers for all they do when you meet with them!
- **Splash Night at Chinquapin** – Join your friends for Family Splash Night featuring George Mason and Matthew Maury Schools this Friday, 2/8 from 6-9pm at Chinquapin! Enjoy swimming for all ages, music, beach ball and aqua basketball, and a floating obstacle course. Pool safety tips and swimming skills assessments are offered for youth and adults. On site class registration available. Light refreshments will be served. Different schools are featured at each event but all are welcome. Tickets are \$4 per person.
- **February PTA Meeting/2nd Grade Singing** – Please join us this Monday, 2/11 at 6:15pm for our next meeting. We'll begin with a concert by all the 2nd graders first, followed by the meeting. (Please have 2nd graders arrive 10 mins early and wear uniforms.) If you can't make the meeting, you can watch from home by going to our [PTA Facebook Page](#) and we'll start broadcasting live at 6:15pm or shortly after! Pizza will be available for \$1/slice starting at 6pm, plus we'll be providing free babysitting.
- **Special Ed Committee Meeting** – This month's meeting will be Wednesday, 2/13 in the Principal's Conference Room at 8am. For more info email Kristen Creighton at kristen.s.creighton@gmail.com.
- **Maury Day at the GMU Women's Basketball Game** – It's that time again! This George Mason University game will be on Sunday, 2/24 at 2:00pm (at the Eagle Bank Arena, Fairfax VA.) It's 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 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.

REMINDERS

- **Fourth Grade Talent Show** – This is scheduled for the evening of Friday, 3/8. But fourth graders must register their acts by this Monday, 2/11. Please fill out the form

and return it to your teacher. If you don't get the form by this Thursday in your child's folder, you can [download and print the form here](#). If students don't want to perform, no problem! We need students for backstage roles and marketing, too! We also need parent volunteers to help manage rehearsals and the show, give audio and backstage support, and to help with ticket sales, food sales, and 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.

- **PBIS Quarterly Celebration** – The school will watch the 1971 version of the movie "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" in the gym this Thursday, 2/7 at 8:15am. This is part of the PBIS (Positive Behavior Incentive System) Quarter 2 celebration.
- **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.
 - In order to guarantee a bus ride for your student for the first two weeks of the session, please enroll by this Friday, 2/8! Students enrolled after this date will get bus service by week three but cannot be guaranteed for the first two weeks!
 - Questions? Ask Jennifer Henel at vpprograms@maurypa.org

IMPORTANT INFO

- **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), Courtney Schlieter (immediatepastpres@maurypa.org), or Kris Schulz (vpfundraising@maurypa.org), who comprise the nominations committee.
- **Conversation with the Superintendent** – If you'd like to join in on a conversation with Dr. Hutchings about his vision for the future of the high school, anyone may attend the meeting at TC Williams tomorrow, 2/6, at 6:00pm. Registration is not required, but child care, interpretation and transportation will be provided if necessary, with registration. One of the bus stops is Charles Houston Rec Center. [Click here for the link to register](#).

- **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 2 weeks:
 - 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

2/07 – PBIS 2nd Quarter Student Celebration – Willie Wonka movie (8:15am)

2/07 – PTA Appreciation Dinner for Teachers/Staff

2/07 – Early Dismissal (parent/teacher conferences)

2/08 – Early Dismissal (parent/teacher conferences)

2/08 – Family Splash Night at Chinguapin (6-9pm)

2/11 – February PTA Meeting **and 2nd Grade Concert** (6:15pm)

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

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 *

2/26 – PTAC Summer Camp Fair at TC Williams (5:30-8pm)

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

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