

## TUESDAY TIDINGS – 9/3/19

Happy First Day of School, Mariners! The Maury PTA welcomes you to the 2019-2020 school year and we hope to keep you in the know on all things Maury. As the VP of Communications, I'll be your cruise director for this year and will send out Tuesday Tidings, our weekly e-newsletter with each week's Top Five things to know. If you have any questions about the ins and outs of Maury or don't know what something means, check the [Maury Dictionary!](#) This is a great resource. Also, don't forget to join the PTA! It's easy - just click [here](#).

See what's happening this week!

### FIVE THINGS TO KNOW:

- **Room Parents Needed!** Parent volunteers are SO valuable in making Maury a wonderful learning community for our kids. We are currently recruiting Room Parents. These volunteers are the liaison between teachers and parents in each class. Please email Laura McQueen at [lauramcqueen@gmail.com](mailto:lauramcqueen@gmail.com) if you are interested.
- **Volunteering at Maury** – Any parent who wishes to volunteer as a chaperone, tutor, mentor, room parent, PBIS prize cart distributor, or any position where they may be alone with a child must get an ACPS Volunteer Card from Alexandria City Public Schools. Click [here](#) to learn more and apply.
- **Back to School Picnic – this Friday, Sept. 6, 5-7pm.** Bring the whole family to the Maury playground to catch up with old friends and meet new Mariners! The Big Cheese food truck will have food available for purchase, or bring your own picnic meal. (To see a menu [click here](#). Rain date is Friday, September 13.
- **PTA Meeting – Monday, Sept. 9, 6:15pm.** Please join us at our first monthly meeting of the minds in the Maury Cafetorium. Free pizza will be available starting at 6pm! And free babysitting will be available for Maury students. Stay tuned for the agenda! It will be a great way to learn about the PTA activities and events and how you can get involved, Mr. Powell will give his monthly principal's report, and more! Plus, don't miss the Uniform Swap, where you can donate outgrown, gently used (but clean!) uniforms and trade them for items you might need.
- **Back to School Night – Tuesday, Sept. 17, 6:30pm.** Meet teachers and administrators, see your child's classroom, and gain understanding to prepare for the school year. You can also connect with other parents and join the PTA or renew your membership — bring cash or a check to pay annual dues. Childcare not available.

### AROUND THE PTA

Did you know? Every person who joins a local PTA automatically becomes a member of both the state and national PTA. PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by

engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. Learn about the Virginia state PTA [here](#). When you join the PTA, you are also eligible for member benefits and discounts, like [these](#). **Ready to join? [Sign up now!](#)**

### UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

9/06 – Back to School Picnic (5-7pm at the Maury Playground)

9/09 – PTA Meeting (6pm pizza, 6:15pm meeting)

9/17 – Back to School Night (6:30-7:30pm)

9/18 – Teacher Appreciation Lunch - 5th grade families sign up [here](#) (taco bar)

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