

## TUESDAY TIDINGS –10/8/19

After School Programs start this week! Thank you to everyone who registered their children and to our teacher and volunteers that help make these classes happen. There are only a few slots left for donations for the 3rd Grade sponsored Teacher Appreciation Lunch on October 16. Please [sign up](#).

Just wanted to highlight the great safety discussion we had at last night's PTA gathering. John Contreras and Mr. Powell answered lots of questions and it was a great update on what ACPS is doing for the safety of our students. Want more info? Attend the [ACPS Safety Forum](#) on 10/30 for a more in-depth discussion on safety for all grade levels. If you have further questions on the content from last night's meeting or the written updates provided in the agenda, feel free to [contact us](#). See what's happening this week!

### SIX THINGS TO KNOW:

- **DINE OUT** at [Lena's Wood-Fired Pizza & Tap](#) to benefit our school on Thursday, October 10! A portion of anything you order ALL DAY [including adult beverages!] will come back to benefit our school! You're welcome to dine in at their location (401 E. Braddock Road) or dine out, all you have to do is mention the Maury Dine Out when ordering/while you're there.
- **Smile! Picture Day is on Friday!** Order forms went home last week. You can order pictures online at: [mylifetouch.com](#), Picture ID: HJ279061Q0. If you order online, no need to return the paper order form. If you would like to pay by cash or check, please send in order form and payment with your child on Friday.
- **Howdy Partners!** The **Maury Fall Festival** on October 19 is coming as fast as a cattle stampede, and we need your help to succeed. There are two sign up available: [Bake Sale](#) and [Fall Festival Volunteers](#). Western gear is encouraged for this Wild West shindig and bring your appetite to try tastes from the new Chili Cookoff, the Bake Sale and the Rocklands food truck. Plus lots of activities are available for all ages. THANK YOU to everyone who has signed up already.
- The **Maury Book Fair** is coming! It will be set up for purchases starting at the Fall Festival on October 19 from 12-3pm and then also the week of October 25 (with evening hours on 10/23 during Multicultural Night). Sign up [here](#) to help set up, sell and run this event for all the kids.
- **Odyssey of the Mind (OM)** season is upon us. What is OM, you ask? [OM](#) is an international creative problem solving competition for students in grades K-12. If your family is interested in OM, please fill out this [FORM](#) by Oct. 26. Contact [Kelley Organek](#) with any questions.
- Take advantage of [Box Tops for Education](#) promos going on right now! Earn 2 Bonus Box Tops when you buy 2 Nestlé® Pure Life® products through 10/13/19. A monster cereal sweepstakes ends 11/3/19 (Count Chocula, yum!): 5 schools will each win 5,000 Bonus Box Tops. AND scan your receipt on the Box Tops app for a chance to **win a \$20,000 school makeover**. GET/UPDATE YOUR APP: [Download on the Apple App Store](#) or [Get on Google Play](#)

### AROUND THE PTA

**Morning routines** are hard. Now that fall is settling in and it's dark in the morning, getting going is even tougher. Here are some [tips](#) from the PTA on establishing a positive morning routine. This site is also chock full of other great parenting resources, project ideas for rainy days, family fun and wellness tips.

We are still accepting **PTA memberships** for this year! PTA membership is an easy way to support Maury and all we do for all the children. Individual, teacher/faculty and family memberships are available. [Sign up now!](#)

**UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**

- 10/8 – [Odyssey of the Mind](#) info session for parents at 6:30p at GW Middle School, room C106
- 10/10 – All day DINE OUT at Lena’s. Dine in or take out, just mention Maury.
- 10/11 – Maury Student Picture Day
- 10/14 – Professional Development Day, NO SCHOOL for children
- 10/16 – Third Grade Teacher Appreciation Lunch. [Sign up](#) to donate.
- 10/19 – Maury Fall Festival, 12-3pm on the playground. Sign up to support the [Bake Sale](#) and [Volunteer](#).
- 10/19 – Maury Book Fair begins, in the library. We need volunteers! Sign up [here](#). Book Fair ends 10/25
- 10/21 – ACPS Community Budget Forum, 6:30pm at TC Williams
- 10/22 – DINE OUT from 4:30pm until close at Los Tios. Mention you’re with Maury!
- 10/23 – Multicultural Night, 6 - 7:30pm in the Maury cafeteria. Interested in representing a country? Fill out this [online form](#) or contact [Katie Knowles](#) with questions.
- 10/30 – School Safety Forum - ACPS, PTAC and Parents for Safe Alexandria Schools will co-host an open forum on school safety, 7-9pm, at Minnie Howard
- 10/31 – Halloween Book Character Parade, 1:45pm

**Still need an ACPS Volunteer Card?** Click [here](#) to apply. If you are a current or past volunteer you are not required to complete a new application. Instead, please [click here](#) to complete a renewal.

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