

TUESDAY TIDINGS –3/24/20

The days are long. The years are short. Remember that saying? We can do it! We can stay strong together! If you have a moment, consider reaching out to the amazing Maury teachers that have pivoted to become online learning extraordinaires. Good vibes will keep us going. Info keeps changing, [Stay informed with the ACPS Daily Updates](#). See what's happening this week:

SIX THINGS TO KNOW:

- Starting Monday, March 23, ACPS will be providing breakfast and lunch meals for any ACPS student on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. at these locations:

William Ramsay Elementary School

5700 Sanger Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22311

Francis C. Hammond Middle School

4646 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304

Cora Kelly School for Math, Science and Technology

3600 Commonwealth Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22305

Jefferson-Houston PreK-8 IB School

1501 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

T.C. Williams High School

3330 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302

NO SIGN UP OR REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE MEALS. Meals consist of cold breakfast and lunch, including fresh fruits and vegetables and sandwiches for multiple days, per student need. **Note: No food distribution will occur on Tuesdays or Thursdays.** The limited days for distribution is to support social distancing and to limit non-essential gatherings.

- Daydreaming about dropping kids off at school again and heading into the office in non stretchy pants? US TOO. Take it a step further and **volunteer for the Maury PTA Executive Committee** for next year. It's an opportunity to have a big voice on issues that affect our school. Plus, it's all for the children, and they need us now more than ever. Contact [Jodi Zand](#), [Tom Schulz](#), or [Haydee Moore](#).
- Eat, drink and be merry with takeout to **support Alexandria restaurants**. Here's a handy [google doc](#) with details on which places are doing what. In addition, the [Del Ray Business Association](#) is keeping tabs on our fave Del Ray spots and who is open for biz.
- If you are looking for **additional artistic/writing inspiration and structure for your students**, look no further! Mo Willems (author/illustrator of "Knuffle Bunny" and "Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus" and more) is having a daily doodling session in collaboration with the Kennedy Center. You can tune in live each day at 1 pm, or view each episode later at your leisure.
[LUNCH DOODLES with Mo Willems!](#)
Kennedy Center Education Artist-in-Residence at Home

New episodes will be posted each weekday at 1:00 p.m. ET and then remain online to be streamed afterwards. Check back each weekday for new LUNCH DOODLES!

- **Ways to help from Volunteer Alexandria:**

- 1) Donate to their [emergency fund](#)
- 2) Make an [in-kind donation](#)
- 3) Help [distribute meals to ACPS families](#)
- 4) Join an ACPS bus driver to [help deliver meals to ACPS families](#)
- 5) Become a "[Ready to Go](#)" volunteer

The Ruby Tucker Family Center is seeking donations of school supplies/activities for our Alexandria City Public Schools students living in ARHA Public Housing.

Here is a list of items needed: children's books, crayons, markers, #2 pencils, pencil sharpeners, writing paper, child size scissors, construction paper, glue sticks, board games, art supplies, flash cards, coloring/activity books.

Donations may be dropped off at the Ruby Tucker Family Center from 9am - 1pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays starting on March 23 or shipped directly to the center. A box will be placed at the front door for collection. Ruby Tucker Family Center, 322 Tancil Court, Alexandria, VA 22314

- Maury yearbooks are still being produced! Not sure what the future holds, but these yearbooks WILL be printed, and you WILL get them to somehow or another! What's left is just the **Maury Messages section, which is still 40% empty and in need of your messages, if we are to raise enough \$ to cover the cost of printing!** So, **PLEASE send your submissions for Maury Messages by Friday, March 27th!**

1. Email pic at Actual Size to: yearbookmaurypa@gmail.com
2. Include personalized text (don't forget to include your child's name in the message!)
3. Send payment via PayPal: [paypal.me/NHFoster](https://www.paypal.com/US/m0/venmo/vmto/mauryyearbook)
(If you prefer to write a check, please let me know and I can give you an address to drop it off at)

AROUND THE PTA

Virginia PTA is a great resource for information. They have posted to Facebook a fun activity to keep kids busy during this tough time. Check out [The 25 Non Screen Activities to Do at Home](#).

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

We know that this is a challenging time. ACPS will continue to share information through the ACPS website, social media, and email. All upcoming events are cancelled as of this time. **Families should continue to check <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/coronavirus> for updates.** You can also reach our staff:

Victor Powell, Principal victor.powell@acps.k12.va.us

Suzanne Hess, Assistant Principal suzanne.hess@acps.k12.va.us

Lisa Falleroni, School Counselor lisa.falleroni@acps.k12.va.us

Jacquelyn Lusk, School Social Worker jacquelyn.lusk@acps.k12.va.us

Wendy Harper, Registered School Nurse wharper@acps.k12.va.us

Yvonne Pickett, School Psychologist ypickett@acps.k12.va.us

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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