

TUESDAY TIDINGS –6/16/20

The last day of school is this Friday! What a long, strange year it's been! We have been proud to serve as your PTA Executive Committee for this school year. We miss our teachers, staff, students and families desperately, and we look forward to seeing you in the future. Have a safe and happy summer. See what's happening this week:

SIX THINGS TO KNOW:

- The **Matthew Maury Material Exchange will be June 18 and 19 from 9:00am to 1:00pm.**
 - 1) **Drivers:** Please place a sign in your vehicle that states STUDENT NAME(S), GRADE LEVEL, TEACHER. Pull up parallel to the gym doors of the school that is designated as our drop off/pick up area (immediately in front of the building).
 - 2) **Walkers:** Please come to the front of the school by the GYM and begin forming a socially distanced line following the cones to the GYM door closest to the playground.

Parents should arrive 6/18 and 6/19:

9-10AM - 2nd & 5th

10-11AM - K & 3rd

11-12PM - 1st & 4th

12-1PM - for all students

Note: Please come by either day for your student's personal belongings even if you miss your designated grade level time slot. We obviously will have flexibility within our schedule because we understand families schedules and transportation may be a challenge during these times.

To maintain strict guidelines for social distancing and limited access to the school, the belongings will be placed in bags and delivered to the parent's car or placed on a table for the parent to pick up in front of the school for walk-up parents.

For students who have items that need to be returned to MMES, this can be done during this time as well. These items may include library books, reading resource materials, classroom books, instruments, etc. There will be collection bins in front of the school to place these items.

- ACPS' current food distribution model will remain the same through August 21, 2020. For all information on food distribution, see the Food Access page on the [ACPS-at-Home website](#). **NEW!** Beginning Friday, June 19, ACPS will be adding an additional weekend meal to our program. Meals distributed on Fridays at all meal distribution locations and pop up sites will cover Friday, Saturday and now Sunday meals. **Meal distribution locations and pop up sites will not operate on Friday, July 3, ahead of the Independence Day holiday.** However, additional meals will be provided on Wednesday, July 1 to cover the following holiday period. The normal meal distribution service will resume again on Monday, July 6. For food pantry locations and schedules in Alexandria, visit www.hungerfreealexandria.com or call 703-662-1067.
- **Summer Learning Hours** will be offered Monday through Thursday from July 6, 2020 through July 31, 2020. Pre-K through eighth grade hours: 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Not available? See how to [opt-out of summer learning](#). For more information, refer to the [Frequently Asked Questions for Summer Learning](#).

- **FIFTH GRADE GRADUATION SHIRTS & SIGNS** – If you have not yet received yours, all remaining **shirts** will be brought to Maury to be distributed with all other student property on 6/18 and 6/19. **Signs:** Families can pick them up on 6/18 or 6/19 with their school items and their graduation shirt.
- Virginia PTA is proud to partner with Dr. James Lane, Superintendent of Public Instruction on a **LIVE YouTube broadcast on Virginia's Return to School Plan**. Dr. Lane will discuss the Phased Schools Recover, Redesign, Restart 2020 plan. There will be a Live Q&A Session. Go to the Virginia PTA YouTube Video Channel or click the link below at 6pm TONIGHT, June 16! <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpuo11X92X7YAWAC6Bjk5Q/videos>
- **Yearbooks** will unfortunately not be available for distribution this week due to delays in production. But we will let everyone know when they do come in and will communicate distribution plans then.

UPCOMING DATES AND REMINDERS

6/18/20 - Fifth grade virtual graduation, 11:30am

6/18-19 - Families can retrieve items from Maury as well as turn in instruments, library books and chromebooks (if applicable), 9am to 1pm

6/19/20 - Last day of school

ACPS will continue to share information through the ACPS website, social media, and email. **Families can continue to check <https://www.acps.k12.va.us/coronavirus> for updates.**

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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