

District Update - September 14

Good evening, I hope all is well. I simply wanted to send a huge THANK YOU to everyone for their efforts in making today a success. The concerted efforts of many made this day possible and it is a true testament of the Maywood Spirit. As with anything new, there will be a period of experimentation, glitches and some new discoveries along the way. However, with day 1 in the books we can't wait for day 2. I offer a few reminders below.

In Person Drop Off

The in person drop off and entrance to the buildings was outstanding. The flow that was created made for a very easy transition back into school. The adherence by our families of not arriving until 8:05 am was spot on. Our virtual students and cohort B students were logged in and ready to roll. Just a few reminders though, regarding car flow. At MAS please do not enter the lot via Maywood Avenue as that is a one way exit only. Please use the side entrance off of Fairway. At Memorial, the focus is drop and go because of the two main streets that converge. Thanks again for your cooperation.

Health Screening

A reminder that the health screening google form that is sent to Cohort A and B students should be filled out an hour before the start of the school day. Please do not fill it out the night before as we are in need of the most accurate and timely information each morning.

GoogleMeets

Aside from a few expected glitches, the GoogleMeet platform worked well for the in person and at home students. One reminder of great importance is that parents should not be taking pictures or videoing the screen as their child is attending class. Please note that this is because of confidentiality and FERPA related issues. As noted in prior communications, please allow your child to attend class and be there as a support when needed.

Chromebook Charging

Please charge the chromebook overnight. This is especially important for our in person students as we saw that some chromebooks were on their last leg in school as we approached 1230 pm. They get tired of wearing masks as well !

Water Bottles

In person students are encouraged to bring something to drink with them each day as we will schedule specific drink and mask breaks. We will move in to allowing for snacks next week after we get through a review of week 1. Again, water bottles, thermos type items, etc that store a beverage is fine for in person students.

Staff

A big shout out to our great staff. The preparation all summer and then the final touches last week and this past weekend paid off.

Day 1 is in the books. Different but incredibly uplifting to see the kids. As I have stated since the beginning, we will have our ups, our downs and everything in between but we'll roll with what comes our way. As my Nana always said, **Patience is a Virtue!**

Take care,

Michael Jordan