

# Montgomery Junior High School Parent Letter

SEPTEMBER 2019 – “Let’s Be Legendary”



## IMPORTANT DATES IN SEPTEMBER:

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| Sept 2  | Holiday   |
| Sept 3  | 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Meet the Teacher from 6-8 p.m.  |
| Sept 4  | 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> grade Meet the Teacher from 6-8 p.m.                             |
| Sept 5  | Cross Country Midnight Madness @ MHS 4:00 p.m.  |
| Sept 6  | New Bear Breakfast Bash in the library for all MJH students new to MISD                           |
| Sept 10 | Washington DC 8 <sup>th</sup> grade Parent Informational Meeting @ 6:00 in band hall              |
| Sept 10 | 7 <sup>th</sup> Football game – home 4:30, 5:30, 6:30   |
| Sept 11 | Fall Picture day/Progress Reports come home today   |
| Sept 12 | School-wide fundraiser kickoff in the cafeteria/PTO Meeting 8:45 library                          |
| Sept 12 | Volleyball game at home 4:30, 5:30  |
| Sept 13 | 8 <sup>th</sup> grade boy’s scoliosis screening   |
| Sept 16 | 7 <sup>th</sup> grade girl’s scoliosis screening  |
| Sept 17 | Volleyball pics 2:00/7 <sup>th</sup> football game @ home 4:30, 5:30, 6:30                        |
| Sept 20 | Band Game Night 6:00-8:30   |
| Sept 25 | 8 <sup>th</sup> football at home 4:30, 5:30, 6:30   |
| Sept 26 | Volleyball at home 4:30, 5:30/School-wide fundraiser ends   |
| Sept 27 | MJH Volleyball at MHS for JH Night/Report cards come home today                                   |
| Sept 28 | 6-8 grade science students are invited to go with Mrs. Hartner to our first I-Fly visit this year |

## **14 MJH CLUBS: (first meeting date for some of our clubs offered)**

TAFE – Sept 3 – 2:45 -3:30 p.m. Rm. E116  
FCA – Aug 29 – 7:00 a.m. Rm W114  
Book Club – Sept 19 – during all lunches in library  
Harry Potter Club – applications due Sept 13 – on library website  
Bleacher Creatures – Sept 4 – 6:45 a.m. Portable 3  
Service Club – Sept 5 – 6:45 a.m. Portable 2  
Student Council – Sept 4 – 6:45 a.m. W115  
Calligraphy Club – Sept 16 – 2:35 p.m. W209  
Anime Club - September 12 - 6:45 a.m E112  
Robotics Club – application process for new member. See Mrs. Miller in room E217  
Destination Imagination – meeting/tryouts Oct. 15

## **A MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNSELORS:**

- The deadline for schedule changes was August 23.
- We will host our New Student Breakfast Bash on Friday, September 7, for our New to MISD Montgomery Bears.
- PSAT 8/9 registration for 8th grade students will be from Sept. 3-17. Test is Oct. 16(Informational flyer attached)
- The Duke University Talent Identification Program (TIP) letters will come home in September. The Duke Talent Search program identifies bright 6th and 7th grade students based on standardized test scores achieved while attending elementary school. If you have questions about this program, please contact [tressie.stewart@misd.org](mailto:tressie.stewart@misd.org).

## **FIRST DAY STUDENT FORMS:**

Please make sure to complete and send back the 3 forms given to your student the first day of school. This is important contact and release information we need to have to make sure we meet the needs of our students.

## **OFF-CAMPUS PE: (car rider line)**

Parents of OCPE students: when picking your students up for early release, please do not pull through the car rider line. Enter the front of the school and pull around to the car rider pickup/drop off area. Thank you for your cooperation as we prepare for a new school year. For questions regarding OCPE, email [scott.see@misd.org](mailto:scott.see@misd.org).

## **MEET THE TEACHER:**

6<sup>th</sup> grade – September 3rd from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.  
7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade – September 4th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

## **FALL SPORTS INFO: (In order to play sports, you must have a physical on file)**

We invite you to come out, support, and cheer on our Bear athletes at home games this year. For a schedule of events, times, and dates, go to our campus website and click the athletics tab on the left. Our students appreciate the support, and it’s a great opportunity to build excitement and school spirit across the grade levels.

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- **Football:** For questions, please contact [greg.faigne@misd.org](mailto:greg.faigne@misd.org)
- **Cross Country:** For questions, please contact [amanda.fancher@misd.org](mailto:amanda.fancher@misd.org)
- **Volleyball:** For questions, please contact [lauren.hightower@misd.org](mailto:lauren.hightower@misd.org)

### **PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK:**

The Parent-Student Handbook is available on the MJH website. We encourage you to become familiar with the information contained in the handbook. Forms such as Release of Picture/Directory Information, Medication for the Nurse, Change of Address/Phone Number, and Technology Agreement are found at the back of the Handbook.

### **DRESS CODE: (friendly reminder)**

Please make sure your student is in dress code before they leave home each day. No leggings worn without the shirt falling below mid-thigh, no jeans with holes above the knees (unless something is worn underneath that shows no skin), no shirts that shows the midriff, no large earphones at school. Thank you for your help. Dress code will be enforced. Please review the dress code policy in the Student Handbook for more detailed information.

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE NURSE:**

**7<sup>TH</sup> grade parents:** A friendly reminder that we still have a few students that need current immunizations. They were due Tuesday, August 27, 2019. Letters were mailed and calls were made to update parents of student needs. Please feel free to contact Mrs. Buckner if you have any questions or concerns at [courtney.buckner@misd.org](mailto:courtney.buckner@misd.org) or 936-276-3309.

**ATTENDANCE:** If your student is absent, please send a note within 48 hours of their return to school. Students arriving after 7:20 are counted tardy.

**LUNCH VISITORS:** Guests visiting at lunch must bring their license to get a V-Soft badge and eat lunch with their child. Visitors are not allowed to provide food to students other than their own. A parent must accompany students visiting siblings for lunch.

**TRANSPORTATION:** We ask that you make every effort to request transportation changes prior to 1:30 p.m. in order for us to be certain that your student leaves in the correct manner. You may make changes by:

1. Sending a note with your child;
  2. Faxing with a photo of your I.D. to 936-276-3301. Please include your student's first & last name on any change. Emails or texts to teachers, phone calls to the front desk, and student-relayed messages are not requests that we honor for safety reasons.
- **MJH CAR RIDER LINE/BUS POLICY**  
Due to the continued growth of MISD, we will no longer allow extra riders to ride the bus routes. Only registered riders will be allowed on the bus routes. We highly encourage students to ride the bus or car-pool to school due to the high volume of traffic and limited parking during the morning hours.

**JOIN OUR MJH PTO:** The membership form is online on our campus website. Family membership is \$5.00. Our PTO eNews will keep you informed with the most current information that MJH has to offer regarding upcoming events, student opportunities, club news, deadlines, volunteer opportunities, and accomplishments at Montgomery Junior High School.

**MISD HELP HOTLINE:** Hotline posters are in all areas of the school if students need to report any concerns such as bullying, threats, weapons, suicidal thoughts, drugs/alcohol, etc. The number is 936-262-0001. We ask that you visit with your student about reporting any concerns or threats immediately so we can help make sure we address this promptly. This can be anonymous as well.

**CAFETERIA CHARGES:** MISD has an easy online way for you to keep your child's account. Go to the MISD webpage and click on the left tab "Child Nutrition Info". Then click "MySchoolBucks.com."

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Campus Website: [www.misd.org](http://www.misd.org) - campus – Montgomery Junior High

Campus Phone Number: MJH Main Line 936-276-3300 MJH Fax 936-276-3301

MJH Assistant Principals: Scott See (All 8<sup>th</sup> grade and 6<sup>th</sup> grade A-L)  
Kevin Winfield (All 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 6<sup>th</sup> grade M-Z)

MJH Counselors: Barbara Gagliano (All grades A-L)  
Tressie Stewart (All grades M-Z)



**It's a great day to be a BEAR!** Angie Chapman, Principal