



Clark-Shaw Magnet School

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Important Dates to Remember:

- 9/6 Progress Reports
- 9/10 School Picture Day
- 9/20 Worlds of Opportunity Field Trip
- 9/27 Project proposal form due

Football Games

All games begin at 4 p.m.

- 9/10 @ Grand Bay
- 9/13 Semmes
- 9/20 @ Phillips
- 9/27 Causey



Volleyball Games

All games begin at 4 p.m.

- 9/10 @ Calloway-Smith
- 9/12 Hankins
- 9/17 @ Causey
- 9/19 Scarborough
- 9/24 @ Lott
- 9/26 Semmes
- 10/1 @ Grand Bay



Science Fair Project Checkpoint Dates:

9/27 Project proposal form due

Science Fair Project boards are currently on pre-order *in the library*. Colors available are black, white, red, green, blue, and yellow. The price is \$12 for the set which includes board, header, and title set.



CARPOOL NEWS AND RULES

This school year we are trying to accommodate over 400 cars both in the mornings and afternoons. Please help us model appropriate behavior when in carpool traffic. We try to move traffic as efficiently as possible while having **your student's safety as our main goal**. Both the front and back carpool lanes are to be used. Students have been told **repeatedly** to look for you in either lane during afternoon pickup.

- Please refrain from cell phone use as it is a distraction.
- We must be good stewards of this neighborhood. Do not block private driveways.
- Smoking is not permitted on school grounds.
- Students are not allowed to walk to cars parked in the neighborhood.
- Thank you for being courteous to each other and our neighbors.
- Updates are available on the school website.



Principal's Corner

It is with honor that I greet you as the Principal of Clark-Shaw Magnet School. Clark-Shaw has enjoyed tremendous success as a beacon of academic excellence for our school, the MCPSS system, and our state. This has been accomplished through the hard work, dedication, and partnerships that have existed between school staff, parents, community members, and the student body. As the leader of our school, I enthusiastically embrace the task of continuing to utilize resources to ensure students are prepared to be productive citizens. I realize that differentiated, rigorous, and relevant instruction that meets the needs of each student will be the vehicle to continuing the success that has been experienced. The learning environment must be as safe and secure as possible for all students, staff, and support personnel. A team approach most definitely is necessary to create and maintain that desired learning environment. I look forward to the exchange of ideas as we all work in harmony to create educational masterpieces for many years to come. Remember, you can check our website for updates and INOW for grades and attendance.

Respectfully, Ms. Mary DiVincenzo

Students may no longer have parents bring forgotten items up to school. The only things that will be delivered to a student from this point on will be medicine and lunches. In addition, all before and after school transportation must be worked out before a student leaves home in the morning. The office will no longer forward messages from a parent or allow students to call home unless it is an emergency or the student is sick.



PTA News...

- Make sure to join PTA! It's a great way to stay up to date on school events by receiving the emails and Remind 101 text messages. PTA member's students are eligible for drawings to win tickets to school and PTA events. Also, the homeroom class in each grade level with the most memberships by September 27 will win a fun treat.
- Start clipping those Box Tops! The student in each grade level who turns in the most Box Tops will receive a \$20 gift card to Wal-Mart or Target. Student's name and home room teacher must be included to qualify. Box Tops can be turned in on sheets, in envelopes or Ziploc bags.
- Want to help at your child's school? Join us September 13 at 8:30 a.m. in the Parenting Room for refreshments and information on how you can get involved. Can't wait to see you there!



"Heroes Around Me" is our 2019 Reflections theme. Students can enter in dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography or visual arts. Please see Mrs. Martin for an entry form, rules, and information. These forms can also be found on our PTA website. The deadline for entry is November 12. School winners will move on to the county contest.

Worlds of Opportunity

Eighth grade students will participate in "Worlds of Opportunity", a Career Expo program sponsored by the Southwestern

Alabama Workforce Development Commission, on September 20th. Students will spend two hours exploring many of the careers available to them in our region. Parents will receive additional information about this rewarding and motivating experience later in the month.



Scholastic Challenge Tryouts...

will be held Wednesday, September 12 from 3:00 to 4:00 in the library. The Scholastic Challenge Team is an academic team that competes against teams from other middle schools in the Mobile area and is open to students in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grade. If you have questions, please contact Anna Mouton in the library at ammouton@mcps.com or 221-2102.

Attention Parents of 8th Graders

On Tuesday, October 2nd, there will be two meeting times available for you to learn about the following:

- High School Academies
- Preparing for the transition to High School
- Algebra I Honors vs Math 8
- Online Safety
- Bullying

Meetings will be at 7:45 a.m. in the gym and 5:30 p.m. in the gym. Information presented at both meeting times will be the same. Parents may choose which meeting time to attend.

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