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McAuliffe Manual School News | March 23, 2017

Principal's Message

Dear McAuliffe Manual 6th Graders and Families,

This week, our students discussed two questions as we continue to process the movie *Hidden Figures* and the positive impact it has had on our school community. The two questions we asked were: 1) What impact did the movie have on you? and 2) How can you apply the lessons from the movie to your life right now?

Our students' answers were so moving and connected to our mission that I wanted to share them with all of you.

"Don't let your race define you—believe in what you can offer the world no matter the opposition."

"I can get good grades and work hard and have a growth mindset and be the first to do something."

"I can stand up to people who are being racist to others and I can believe that I can do whatever I want in life no matter what color I am because it's the inside that matters."

"I can work really hard to get good grades, and



Home of the Thunder!

IMPORTANT DATES

Thu 3/23

Late start @ 10:15am

Fri 3/24

artsC performance @
2pm

Fri 3/24

Lost & Found items
donated

Mon 3/27 - Fri 3/31

Spring Break, school

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helps me understand that with a lot of hard work and effort, I can strive to do good things in my life.”

“I can always try to do my best and to persevere even when it gets hard.”

“I can work hard for what I want.”

“Before a test, I always become stressed, but if I think about the lesson that Hidden Figures teaches us, I can talk myself out of the stress.”

“Something that really got me about Hidden Figures is being the first, because I will be the first in my family to go to college and more.”

“I can apply this to my life by having an open mind and letting everyone into my life and what I do.”

“I can listen to everyone's ideas and make sure that everyone is included in what others do.”

“Believe in myself.”

I hope you each have a wonderful Spring Break. Please remember that we have school on April 3rd, and I'm looking forward to seeing our families at the April 6th Parent Coffee.

Sincerely,

Principal Jessica Long

TOP NEWS

We Need Your Help - April 14th

We still need more parent chaperones to make Service Learning Day possible. On Friday, April 14th, our McAuliffe Manual community will have a wonderful opportunity to participate in a school-wide service learning day. The day will

closed

Thur 4/6

Parent Coffee @
7:30am

Fri 4/14

Service Learning Day

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Spark Change non-profit recipients at 8:30 am. The service project will run from 9:00am-2:00pm.

Contact Penny Alsabih if you can help: palsabih@gmail.com

McAuliffe Students Impress at the Choral Showcase

Our vocal music students did an incredible job performing at the DPS Choral Music Showcase! It was an amazing experience to watch how much these singers have grown and developed into a beautiful ensemble. Congratulations to all McAuliffe students who performed.



Let's Celebrate - Miller Activity Complex

Mark your calendars for April 26th! To celebrate the end of testing, we are taking the students to the Miller Activity Complex. The day will be filled with playing at the indoor fields, jumping on trampolines and swimming in the pool. The cost of the trip is \$20/student. Stay tuned for more details. To learn more about MAC, [click here](#).

Going, Going, (Almost) Gone!

We've extended the deadline to order yearbooks to [April 3rd](#). Go to Lifetouch.com and use code

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they're sold out!

Meet Us at Manual!

Please join us on Thursday, April 20th for our YMCA parent information meeting, from 6:00-7:30pm in the Manual High School auditorium. Staff will also host a tour of the Manual campus.

YMCA camp information can also be found on our new [Trips page](#) of the MMMS website.

Crayons for Africa

Thank you to everyone who donated crayons for the Ivory Ella project. Our students were beaming with pride as they delivered them to the 1st grade classroom on Tuesday, March 14th. The crayons are on their way to Africa for children in need.



artsC to Perform at McAuliffe Manual

artsC Foundation is a performance group that conducts workshops in middle schools to raise awareness, enable conversations and diversify the thought process surrounding social issues. They will perform at MMMS on Friday, March 24th @ 2pm. The performance usually covers issues about bullying, body image and gender identification.

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provide artsC Foundation with information on which topics to address.

Return of the Reading Buddies

Once again, our students visited Mrs. Ladd's and Ms. Chen's 2nd grade classes on Tuesday, March 14th. The students took turns reading to each other. Our McAuliffe students are building a wonderful relationship with the 2nd graders.



Fly Off to Neverland

Please join us for our first theater performance - Peter Pan! McAuliffe Manual students will perform on Tuesday, May 9th @ 6pm. Click here to [purchase tickets](#).

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We Need Your Student Photos

Now's the time! If you have pictures, please send your photo files to Rosa at R.D.Patron@gmail.com. Thanks for sharing!

WEEK IN REVIEW

Math Update

We are wrapping up our Expressions and Equations unit before heading to Spring Break! Students have been working REALLY HARD to build a foundation around algebra which will help them in future years. It is SO IMPORTANT that your student be in class EVERY day until the end of the year. These are great habits to have as we wrap up the school year!

School Store

Do you want to help decide what items we add to our new school store . . .shirts, hats and supplies? Help us identify items that our scholars will be most interested in. If you would like to participate,

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Mumps Alert

The Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment has shared information with DPS regarding several Mumps virus cases recently reported in Colorado. In order to minimize the spread of Mumps in our schools, the agency has asked us to provide this information to our families. Please review the DPS cover letter ([English](#) or [Spanish](#)) and the CDPHE issuance ([English](#) or [Spanish](#)).

2017-18 Draft Calendar

Please see the attached [2017-18 draft calendar](#). Note, this is a draft and is subject to change. We hope this is useful when making summer plans.

REMINDERS

YMCA Camp Student Requirements

Our end-of-year, YMCA camp takes place in less than 3 months! The student excursion is a 3-day, 2-night fun overnight trip. There will be many activities - tubing, recreation time and nights around the campfire. As a reminder, in order for students to qualify to attend camp, they need to earn an average of \$65 per week on their paychex. Please encourage your student to earn scholar dollars so that they can join us in Winter Park May 24-26.

Math Tutoring

Are you looking for math tutoring for your student? We have a parent volunteer to help you. Please contact Lexie Nimick at Lexie_nimick@dpsk12.org.

School Committees

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community. Please see the committee descriptions below and contact the person listed if you are interested in participating.

- **Collaborative School Committee (CSC)** - Collaborate on school structures, budget, culture and staffing. Contact Penny Alsabih at palsabih@gmail.com
- **Parent Activities Committee (PAC)** - Create, organize and schedule student activities. Contact Penny Alsabih at palsabih@gmail.com
- **Critical Needs** - Help connect MMMS families-in-need with community resources. Contact Penny Alsabih at palsabih@gmail.com
- **Book Fair** - Organize annual book fair. Contact Cindy Spruce at cindy_spruce@dpsk12.org
- **Teacher Appreciation** - Donate food items for teachers' breakfast. Contact Jeff Pettingill at jpettingill11@yahoo.com
- **Yearbook** - Create annual yearbook for school. Contact Rosa Patron at r.d.patron@gmail.com
- **Fundraising** - Develop, organize and execute fundraising programs to benefit our MMMS community. Contact Lauren Boland at lboland1@comcast.net
- Silvia Hernandez, our MMS **Spanish-Speaking Ambassador**, is available to connect with Spanish-speaking families. She can be reached at 303-725-4389.

Uniform Ordering And Reminders

MMMS uniform items (including long-sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts and winter PE uniform) are

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Reminders:

- Students are not allowed to wear their personal jackets or hoodies over their uniform shirts on school grounds.
- Students may wear long-sleeved t-shirts (solid white, grey or black only) underneath their MMMS t-shirt.

Earn YMCA Camp Money

It's easy! King Sooper's and Safeway/Albertson's gift cards are available for sale in the MMMS main office. Use these pre-paid gift cards to earn money toward your student's YMCA camp trip - purchase groceries, gas, in-store Starbucks, lift-tickets and sporting or event tickets. See Valerie Almodovar in the main office. Click [here](#) to learn more!

DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY NEWS

2-1-1 Colorado Resources

2-1-1 Colorado is a free, confidential, multilingual service that refers callers to non-emergency health and human services. To volunteer or to make an in-kind or financial donation, visit the 211 Colorado [website](#), dial 211, or text 898-211 for more information.

- Rental / Utility Bills Assistance
- Housing / Emergency Shelter
- Food / Clothing Banks
- Mental Health Assistance
- Dealing With and Preventing Abuse
- GED / ESL Classes
- Suicide Intervention and Prevention

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- [Rx Assistance](#)
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HELPFUL LINKS

Principal Long: jessica_long@dpsk12.org

Main: 720-423-6550

Attendance line: 720-423-6551

Website: <http://mcauliffemanual.dpsk12.org/>

[McAuliffe Manual 2016-2017 Calendar](#)

App: Available for free download on [Apple iOS](#) and [Android](#) devices

Uniform orders: ThunderUniforms.com

School supplies list [here](#)

[DPS School Lunch](#)

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