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## Principal's Message

Dear McAuliffe Manual 6th graders and families:

We have spent the last week celebrating our teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week. If you'd like to join us in celebrating our teachers feel free to drop-off a thank you card to the office and we'll make sure they get it. We'll also have thank you cards available if you'd like to stop in and fill one out.

We'd like to invite you to join us for our end of year award ceremony where we will honor all of our students' hard work and growth this year. The ceremony is on Thursday, May 18th at 3:00pm at the Smiley campus. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,  
*Principal Jessica Long*



Home of the Thunder!

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Fri 5/5 @ 7:30 am**

Parent Coffee

**Tue 5/9 @ 6:00 pm**

Peter Pan Performance

**Thur 5/11 @ 5:30 pm**

Arts Showcase

**Thur 5/18 @ 3:00 pm**

End of Year

Celebration

## TOP NEWS

### Arts Showcase - May 11th

ARTS Invite! As we wrap up our third and final trimester of the school year, bring your friends and family to come celebrate and engage in the arts at McAuliffe! The visual art gallery opens at 5:30pm and the choir, band and orchestra concert begins at 6:00pm. We look forward to seeing you all there!

### GT Movie Night - May 9th

Next Tuesday, May 9th, GT Students and their families are invited to join the DAGT (Denver Association of Gifted and Talented) to watch a private screening of the movie, *Gifted!* The movie tells the story of a spirited young girl whose plans for a normal life are foiled when her mathematical abilities become apparent.

This event will take place at The Denver Pavilions Theater (500 16th St, Denver, CO 80202). Doors open at 6:00 pm, and the movie starts at 6:30. Tickets are \$7.00 per person. Please reserve your seats by emailing ValerieDavis with the number of seats you will need ([Valerie\\_davis@dpsk12.org](mailto:Valerie_davis@dpsk12.org)). You can view the flyer by [clicking here](#).

### YMCA Paperwork

Have you turned in your completed paperwork yet? If not, please do. We only have a few spaces left and want to make sure we include the students that qualify and want to go. What could be better than s'mores? Get ready for some fun!!

### **Last chance to buy YMCA fundraiser raffle tickets!**

There's still time to help raise money for YMCA

**Tue 5/23 @ 1:15 pm**

Last Day of School

**Wed 5/24 @ 8:30 am**

YMCA Trip

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camp scholarships. Please email or text Lauren Boland to purchase raffle tickets: 303-520-6751 or [lboland1@comcast.net](mailto:lboland1@comcast.net). Prizes will be awarded next week and funds raised go toward paying camp registration fees for students in need. We greatly appreciate your donations!

- \$5 for one ticket; \$20 for five tickets
- Prizes include gift cards to: Cake Crumbs, Starbucks, The Whittier Pub, HopDaddy Burger Bar, Tattered Cover and Sweet Cooie's Ice Cream

### **McAuliffe Summer Camps - Register Soon!**

We are partnering with McAuliffe International School to offer a variety of camps this summer while DPS is still in session (late May through early June). All camps will take place at McAuliffe. Check out the [summer camps page](#) for a list of camps and more information.

- Limited scholarships available, please email [valerie\\_almodovarcortez@dpsk12.org](mailto:valerie_almodovarcortez@dpsk12.org)
- To register for camp, please see email [brandi\\_wright@dpsk12.org](mailto:brandi_wright@dpsk12.org)

### **End of Year Celebration - May 18th @ 3pm**

Can you believe the school year is almost over? The entire family is invited to celebrate with our students and staff on Thursday, May 18th @ 3pm. Stay tuned for details and we hope to see you there!

### **Friends of Manual Breakfast - May 12th**

You are invited to the 10th Annual Friends of Manual Breakfast at Manual High School. Friends of Manual is a non-profit group dedicated to

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supporting the academic achievement and overall high school experience of students at Manual.

- Friday, May 12, 2017 from 7:30am - 9am (doors open at 7am)
- Manual High School Thunderdome (1700 E. 28th Ave, Denver)
- The event is FREE to attend, donations to the nonprofit are appreciated. Funds raised will help provide much needed support to the teachers and students at Manual
- Seating will be first come, first serve; Only sponsors will receive designated tables
- [Click here for more details and to register](#)

Anyone interested in sponsoring the breakfast may use [this link for more information](#). With close to 400 people in attendance, it can be a great way to promote a business!

### **Parental Advisory - 13 Reasons Why Netflix Series**

It has been brought to our attention that many teenagers, including some of our McAuliffe Manual students, are watching a Netflix series called *13 Reasons Why*. Students watching the series may need to process what they have seen with school staff and with their peers.

The series brings to light important topics such as teen suicide, bullying, depression and sexual assault. Common Sense Media's age recommendation is 16+. Below is a series' summary from Common Sense Media.

*Parents need to know that 13 Reasons Why is an intense, dark Netflix drama based on the popular young adult novel Thirteen Reasons Why by Jay*

*Asher and is definitely not a light watch for younger kids. If your child has already viewed the series, please consider having a discussion [using these tips for parents](#).*

Please contact our assistant principal with additional concerns or questions:  
natalie\_lewis@dpsk12.org

Immediate, free, counseling is always available at National Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255, 1-800-273-TALK.

### **Peter Pan Performance next week!**

Our first theater performance is almost here! McAuliffe Manual students will perform Peter Pan on Tuesday, May 9th @ 6pm. Click here to [purchase tickets](#).

We will also sell tickets at the door the night of the event. Please note: we will only accept CASH or CHECK (made out to MMMS) for those ticket sales. Also, we are also looking for a volunteer to sell tickets at the event on Tuesday, May 9th. Please contact Penny Alsabih at [palsabih@gmail.com](mailto:palsabih@gmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering.

**Fundraising Meeting June 22nd**

The Fundraising committee will meet on June 22nd to begin planning our *Big Idea!* If you'd like to have some fun, meet MMMS parents and help grow our new middle school, then please contact Lauren Boland at [lboland1@comcast.net](mailto:lboland1@comcast.net). Can't make June 2nd? Not to worry, just email Lauren to get connected to our *Big Idea!*

**WEEK IN REVIEW**

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**Lost and Found will be Donated May 5th**

Lost and found will be donated/discarded at 4:00pm on Friday, May 5th. The lost and found bins are located in the main office. Please remind your student to check all bins for any lost belongings.

**Miller Activity Complex - Recap**

A fun time was had by all! The students really enjoyed their trip to the Miller Activity Complex. They sang songs on the bus to and from, laughed, played, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to the volunteers who helped chaperone the trip!

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**REMINDERS****YMCA Camp Items - Donation Drive**

If you would like to donate camp items to students in need, please bring items to the main office. Mrs. Almodovar will have a bin for collection. A list of the items students will need for the YMCA camp trip can be found [here](#).

**McAuliffe Manual Uniform Round-Up, May 1- 23**

Bring your used McAuliffe Manual shirts, sweatshirts, PE uniforms, and uniform pants to the main office beginning May 1st and continuing through the end of the school year. The uniforms will be cleaned, organized and shared with McAuliffe Manual students in need. We thank you for your support of our critical needs program!

If you love laundry and are interested in helping clean and organize uniforms for this project, please contact Penny Alsabih at [palsabih@gmail.com](mailto:palsabih@gmail.com).

**Medication Reminder**

Please remember to pick up student medication on or before our last day of school, May 22nd. Per state law:

- Schools may not send medication home with students - an adult must pick up medication.

- Medication cannot be stored at McAuliffe over the summer. Any medication not picked up before the last day of school will be destroyed.

If your student is attending YMCA camp, school medication will accompany them. Camp medications must be picked up on the day students return home from camp (May 26th).

### **YMCA Camp Schedule & Packing List**

- Click these links for the [packing list](#) and the [schedule](#).
- If your student takes daily medication, please complete a new medication form and return it to the school with the prescription before Friday, May 19th @ 4pm.
- We are assigning lodging groups and will post this information before May 19th.

If you have any questions, please contact Penny Alsabih at [palsabih@gmail.com](mailto:palsabih@gmail.com).

### **Street Sweeping Schedule**

Check street signs before you park:

- Holly Street (West side) – 4th Tuesday
- Holly Street (East side) – 4th Wednesday
- 25th Street (South side) – 4th Thursday
- 25th Street (North side) – 4th Friday

### **School Committees**

We need volunteers to help build our school 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](mailto:palsabih@gmail.com)
- **Parent Activities Committee (PAC)** - Create, organize and schedule student activities. Contact Penny Alsabih at [palsabih@gmail.com](mailto:palsabih@gmail.com)
- **Critical Needs** - Help connect MMMS families-in-need with community resources. Contact Penny Alsabih at [palsabih@gmail.com](mailto:palsabih@gmail.com)
- **Book Fair** - Organize annual book fair. Contact Cindy Spruce at [cindy\\_spruce@dpsk12.org](mailto:cindy_spruce@dpsk12.org)
- **Teacher Appreciation** - Donate food items for teachers' breakfast. Contact Jeff Pettingill at [jpettingill11@yahoo.com](mailto:jpettingill11@yahoo.com)
- **Yearbook** - Create annual yearbook for school. Contact Rosa Patron at [r.d.patron@gmail.com](mailto:r.d.patron@gmail.com)
- **Fundraising** - Develop, organize and execute fundraising programs to benefit our MMMS community. Contact Lauren Boland at [lboland1@comcast.net](mailto: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.

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## 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.

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- Housing / Emergency Shelter
- Food / Clothing Banks
- Mental Health Assistance
- Dealing With and Preventing Abuse
- GED / ESL Classes
- Suicide Intervention and Prevention
- Medical Clinics
- Rx Assistance
- Senior Services
- Youth Programs
- Support Groups
- Legal Assistance

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## HELPFUL LINKS

**Principal Long:** [jessica\\_long@dpsk12.org](mailto: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](http://ThunderUniforms.com)

**School supplies list** [here](#)

**[DPS School Lunch](#)**

McAuliffe Manual is located at 2540 Holly St,  
Denver, CO 80207.



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