



A. Mario Loiederman Middle School ♦ 12701 Goodhill Road ♦ Silver Spring, MD 20906

Principal's Update- October 13, 2009

Ms. Alison L. Serino, Principal

I. Events and Activities since September 9th

- a) Showcased our staff member talent at the third annual **Staff Recital**
- b) Implemented bi-monthly **MSA reading lessons** (on A. Mario Loiederman and Roberto Clemente) and bi-monthly **ROAR lessons** on learning names, demonstrating respect and bullying
- c) Held an **8th Grade Parent/Student Information Meeting** and a **6th Grade Parent/Student Information Meeting**
- d) Administered the **Measures of Academic Progress in Reading (MAP-R)** assessment to all students
- e) Held a **Health Education/Red Flags Depression Awareness** workshop for parents
- f) Activated **student Edline accounts** through math classes
- g) Took **school photos** for yearbook, student ID cards and photo packages
- h) Held **Back to School Events-** 6th grade mixer, 6th grade kickball game and school-wide dance
- i) Began offering 7th and 8th grade students **outdoor time** to hang out with friends during lunches. (Not quite recess but a step in the right direction.) Sixth graders will earn this time soon.
- j) Elected **6th Grade Vice Presidents** and **class representatives** for Student Government Association
- k) Updated our **web site**...a work in progress
- l) Held **introductory sessions with administrators and counselors** through social studies classes
- m) Led **walking field trip to Edison High School** for 8th graders

II. Announcements

- a) **Interims** were distributed to all students on October 7th. These reflect mid-quarter grades. Students have 3 ½ weeks left to improve their grades.
- b) **Grade Level Mtgs for Parents-** Our 6th and 8th grade assistant principals have hosted evening meetings with parents to address grade-level specific issues. Our final meeting will be for 7th grade parents with Ms. Hennessy on Wednesday, October 21st.
- c) **5th Grader Open House-** On Thursday, October 15th, we will host our annual open house for prospective 5th graders and their families.
- d) **Board of Education Forum-** On Thursday, October 15th, the Board of Education will hold a forum at Kennedy High School beginning at 7:00 pm. At least two Loiederman students are signed up to testify on behalf of our school.

e) **Report Card Pick Up/Parent Teacher Conferences** will be held on Wednesday, November 11th from 1:00-6:00 pm. Parents are invited to meet with any/all of their child's teachers.

- f) **ASK (Academic Support for Kids)** occurs daily for 25 minutes. Students should read silently, complete homework or make appointments with teachers. In the month of October, it follows our first two blocks of the day.

Loiederman Magnet MS Highlights

*Dates/Times Accurate as of October 12th - Subject to Change

OCTOBER				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12- Odd -Columbus Day Open House -Hearing/Vision Screening -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities -7:00 Open House Held at Blair HS	13- Even - Hearing/Vision Screening -3:00 Boys Softball and Co-Ed Cross Country v. Farquhar -6:30 pm PTSA pizza + Meeting	14- Odd	15- Even - Weekly MSA Group -3:00 Boys Softball Game v. Wood -7:00 5th Grader Open House at Loiederman -7:00 BOE Community Forum at JFK HS	16 No School- MSTA Convention
19- Odd -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities	20- Even -3:00- Select/magnet HS program information meeting for students	21- Odd -3:00 Girls Softball Game v. Parkland -7:00 7th Grade Parent Meeting	22- Even - Weekly ROAR Group -Sign Up Assemblies- Solo Ensemble Performances -7:00 Blair HS Info Session about Math/Sci/Computer Sci Magnet (held at Blair)	23- Odd -5 ASK periods remain in Marking Period 1 -Sign Up Assemblies- Solo Ensemble Performances
26- Even -4 ASK periods remain in Marking Period 1 -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities -7:00 Richard Montgomery Info Session about Int'l Bac Program (held at Richard Mont)	27- Odd -3 ASK periods remain in Marking Period 1 -7:00 Blair HS Info Session about Communication Arts Program (held at Blair)	28- Even -2 ASK periods remain in Marking Period 1	29- Odd -Weekly MSA Group -7:00 Open House Held at Springbrook HS -7:00 Open House Held at Kennedy HS -7:00 Application Workshop for all MCPS HS Magnets (mtg held at Gaithersburg HS)	30- Even -Last ASK period in Marking Period 1 -1st Marking Period Ends -3:00- 5:00 SGA Dance
NOVEMBER				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 No School for Students- Professional Day -7:00 Application Workshop for all MCPS HS Magnets (mtg held at Wheaton HS)	3- Odd -Marking Period 2 begins -Physical Education and Health Classes rotate	4- Even 7:00 Open House Held at Northwood HS	5- Odd -Weekly ROAR Group -Make-up day for student photos	6- Even
9- Odd -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities -8 th Grade Assembly- City Dance -Deadline for magnet applications, MS choice forms and HS choice forms	10 – Even -6:30 pm PTSA pizza + Meeting	11- Odd -Practice MSA reading and math tests -12:10 dismissal for students -1:00-6:00 pm- Parent Conferences and Art Show -Report Cards Distributed	12- Even -Practice MSA reading and math tests -12:10 dismissal for students -(1:00- 3:30 pm- make up conferences for handful of teachers)	13- Odd
16 – Even -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities	17- Odd -MCPS Honors Chorus Auditions -7:00 Info Session about Leadership Training Institute (mtg held at Kennedy HS)	18- Even	19- Odd - Weekly MSA Group -7:00 Fall Play Opening Night + Art Show	20- Even - Field Trip for Advanced Band- BSO at Wheaton HS -7:00 Fall Play Saturday, Nov 21 -2:00 and 7:00 Fall Play Performances
23- Odd -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities	24- Even -7:00 pm Fall Music Concert at LMS	25- Odd -12:10 dismissal for students	26 No School for Students- Thanksgiving	27 No School for Students- Thanksgiving
30- Even -Geography Bee Qualifying Test -Staff Team Mtgs- No After School Activities				

