



MAFI NEWS

2018 Summer Edition

New Website Coming Soon!!

Keep an eye out for our new website, you'll be seeing many changes coming soon

Dates to Remember:

June

29 MAFI Feedback Survey Closes
30 Meet and Greet

July

4 Independence Day
14 Maryland PTA Convention
30 MAFI PTSA WEBSITE LAUNCH

August (Tentative)

15 MAFI PTSA Volunteer Meeting
20 Teacher Welcome Breakfast
30 Kindergarten Orientation

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Committee Chairs

Grants & Opportunities

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MAFI Moms

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Program and Events

(TBD)

Legislative

(TBD)

From the President

As we begin the summer break, I want to formally introduce myself as your new PTSA President and express how eager I am to get started in preparing for the upcoming school year. The MAFI PTSA Executive Committee and I are well underway in our summer planning and hope to have additional information to present to you by mid-July.

Recently, I sent out an engagement survey to all our MAFI PTSA members and posted the survey on the MAFI Community Facebook page to gather your feedback and to identify our PTSA opportunities of improvement. Please know that I am personally reading every response and plan to include a host of your ideas into our summer planning sessions. The survey will close on Friday, June 29th.

This year our PTSA goal is to not only increase our membership, but also increase the participation and volunteerism in our programs, events, and initiatives. In addition, we have a host of issues that we as an engaged community need to address. Whether it is the condition of the school bathrooms, the school window replacement/HVAC project, bullying/student discipline issues, improving PARCC and STAMP test scores, or the lack of the technological support our students desperately need, your continued participation and support will be our greatest ally in resolving these issues to enhance the educational experience of our scholars.

Please keep an eye out for additional communications and I look forward to connecting with you soon. In the interim, feel free to contact me if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

AS ALWAYS, WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!!!



Gerrod Tyler

MAFI PTSA President

School Window Replacement Project Delayed Again!!!!

Many parents and school staff are disappointed and frustrated with this setback that will potentially delay this project for several months. I share in your sentiments but will need your help in demanding for the state, county, and school board to get this project escalated for completion. Please join our virtual meeting with the project manager of this project on **Thursday, June 28 at 6:30** for more information on this delay. Meeting information listed below.

Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://zoom.us/j/9046040998>

Join from Telephone: US: +1 669 900 6833 or +1 408 638 0968

Meeting ID: 904 604 0998

Parent Resources



Here are some resources to help your scholar prepare for the upcoming school year

[GreatSchools Test Guide for Parents](#) provides families with students in grades 3-8 with customizable information by state and grade level that will help them better understand what their child was tested on and how to support their learning. The Guide, created in collaboration with teachers at each grade level, explains what knowledge and skills are needed grade-by-grade and subject-by-subject.

Website: <https://www.greatschools.org/gk/common-core-test-guide/>

[Be a Learning Hero](#) helps parents navigate the changes happening in classrooms across the country so they can help their children be successful in school. They provide resources and information for parents from some of the nation's most well-respected education and parent organizations including the National PTA, Common Sense Media and GreatSchools.

Website: <https://bealearninghero.org/>