

## **Marshall Math Science Academy**

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Greetings from the Principal's desk. I am Ryan Jones and I would like to welcome all of our students back for the upcoming school year. The time has arrived to start preparing for what is going to be a very productive 2023/2024 school year! Changes this coming school year include the district-wide utilization of Positive Behaviors Interventions and Support (PBIS), Station Rotation, and Culturally Relevant Instruction! We cannot wait for you to see all of the work that has been done in our building over the summer to prepare for an amazing school year!

The Harrisburg School District has updated the dress code for the new school year. An attachment with descriptions of what is appropriate for school is included. All students are required to follow the new guidelines. Cell phones have become a distraction over the past school year. To address this distraction, the district cell phone policy will be enforced starting the first day of school. Students will turn in their cell phones to their homeroom teachers. All teachers will have a lockable space to store student cell phones during the school day. Phones will be returned at the end of the day.

As the summer winds down and you continue to prepare your students for the upcoming school year, the Principal, Teachers, and Support Staff at Marshall Math Science Academy have all been working hard to prepare for your children this school year. We are looking forward to an exciting and productive school year! Below you will find some important dates for the beginning of our school year.

Student Start Date: Monday, August 28, 2023

School Day: 8:30am-3:30pm

Homeroom Period: 8:30am-9:00am (Students must attend homeroom to be counted for attendance.)

## Open House/New Student Orientation: August 24th 5:00pm-7:00pm

On August 24th we will have our Open House. This is an excellent opportunity for you to be able to meet your child's teachers and to get to know all about MMSA and our programs. If you are new to us, this is a great way to become familiar with all MMSA has to offer.

## MMSA Back to School Movie Night: September 16th 6:00pm-9:00pm

That evening we will host a movie night for all of our students and families. This is a great opportunity to meet some of the MMSA families and staff that will be involved with your child over the next few years. There will be free haircuts to the first 20 students who pick up tickets in our main office.

**Student Schedules/Supply List Released:** On **August 4th** we will be releasing our student schedules and supply lists. They will be available first online through Home Access and our website and will be mailed out that day.

Sincerely,

Ryan Jones MMSA Principal