


## THE WARRIOR UPDATE

November 22, 2020

### PRINCIPALS CORNER

As many of you already know, I recently sent out information about our parent/student/teacher conferences that will be taking place on November 23, and 24, from 12:30 – 4:00 pm. Information was provided to you that in order to sign up for a meeting with your student’s teacher, you would need to go into ParentVue and check your synergy email for the sign-up genius. There will be 8-minute time slots to meet with a particular teacher. I am also asking that parents complete the sign-up process for the Monday meeting date and time, by no later than Sunday evening, at 12 midnight. Our cut-off to sign up for Tuesday meeting date and time, will be no later than Monday, at 12 midnight.

I would like to take this time to wish all our Sherwood families a happy, safe and healthy Thanksgiving! I know that this year has been challenging and difficult. However, my hope is that you are able to be with your loved ones and get some much deserved stress-free rest and relaxation.

One Sherwood! 

### SHS TEACHER OF THE WEEK

This week's SGA Teacher of the Week is Mrs. Britani Greco, Science teacher. Congratulations Mrs. Greco!



### VIRTUAL LEARNING SCHEDULE -- NOVEMBER 23-27, 2020

1/2 Day Scheduled Times	Nov. 23 "A" 1/2 Day	Nov 24 "B" 1/2 Day	Nov 25 Asynchronous Day	Thursday Nov 26 & Friday, Nov. 27 HOLIDAY SCHOOLS AND OFFICES CLOSED
8:45 - 9:00	Prepare for Day	Prepare for Day	Pd 1 9:00-9:20	
9:00 - 9:30	Period 1	Period 6	Pd 2 9:25-9:40	
9:40 - 10:10	Period 2	Period 7	Pd 3 9:45-10:00	
10:20 - 10:50	Period 3	Period 8	Pd 4 10:05-10:20	
11:00 - 11:30	Period 4	Advisory/Clubs	Pd 6 10:25-10:40	
11:30 - 1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Pd 7 10:45-11:00	
			Pd 8 11:05-11:20	

# PARENT NEWS

## Parent Survey:

MCPS is asking parents to complete a survey to indicate their choice for their student to remain in virtual learning or to transition to in-person learning as health metrics permit the reopening of our schools. For more information and a link to the survey, please see this webpage:

<https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/publicinfo/community/school-year-2020-2021/community-update-20201111.html>

## ParentVue:

If you have not created or need help in creating your ParentVue account, and require your activation code, please reach out to your students counselor or email Mrs. Flaherty.

If you need assistance in merging your multiple MCPS students into one ParentVue account, please complete this form.

If you are having trouble with accessing myMCPS Classroom (Canvas) through ParentVue, please contact the Community Help Desk 240-740-7020 (7AM-8PM Mon-Fri) or via e-mail at [communitytechsupport@mcpsmd.org](mailto:communitytechsupport@mcpsmd.org).

## PTSA:

It's not too late to join the PTSA! Please go to MemberHub to join our community supporting our students.

## STUDENT WORK AND EXPECTATIONS

Through the first few weeks of school, concerns expressed from students and parents around virtual learning have been similar, often regarding workloads and the schedule.

Students attend live instruction with their teachers just two days a week, approximately 80 minutes less than a regular in-person school week. The curriculum and the requirements for the curriculum was not significantly altered, if at all, and teachers have been tasked with providing the same instruction in a compressed time-frame. Students have been tasked with not only learning these lessons but having to also learn quickly how to be much more independent learners, and masters at time management. We understand this is difficult for our students, but we also see amazing resilience and growth as the school year progresses.

This is a challenging situation, but to be successful, students need to attend class, keep up with their assignments, and to reach out when they need help. Wednesdays are not "off days", but asynchronous days when students should be working to complete assignments. Our hope is that students will see the asynchronous "check-in's" as abbreviated class times to work with their teachers, using it to receive assistance, clarification, or review.

We also understand there has been some confusion over due dates. Teachers have attempted to have due dates that are flexible, and generous. Weekend due dates are not scheduled with the intention the student is to be working all weekend, but to allow flexibility and extra time to complete if unable to during the week.

Please reach out to your students' teacher and counselor if you have concerns. Thank you for supporting your student. We are all in this together!

## WARRIOR ACCOLADES

### ***Congratulations to Sherwood's Forensics team!***

The Forensics team (a speech team that competes with most other high schools in the county) came in **first** place this past qualifying tournament, held at the end of October. This continues their streak from last year's competition in which Sherwood came in first place for the year, against all teams, including our archrival Walter Johnson. Way to go!



## ATTENDANCE

If your student will be absent, please notify Sherwood Attendance by completing this form:

Sherwood High School Attendance Form