

# HOME & SCHOOL

Madison Junior High School

## October Home & School Newsletter

We blinked and suddenly it's October already! Hope you will enjoy this Home & School newsletter. These communications will be coming out once a month with information about recent and upcoming events at Madison. I hope you will find them interesting and informative!

### Home & School meetings

Everyone is invited to attend our monthly meetings. **Our next meeting is on October 17, 2019 @8:45AM!** Meetings are held once a month on Thursdays (typically on the second Thursday of the month). We have moved two meetings to the evening this year to hopefully better accommodate the schedules of working parents. We will also have a guest speaker(s) for our evening meetings. Morning meetings are in the FACS room. Evening meetings will be in the LC or Cafeteria.

#### 2019-2020 Meeting Dates

September 12, 2019 @8:30AM

October 17, 2019 @8:45AM

November 14, 2019 @7:00PM

No meeting in December.

January 16, 2020 @8:45AM

February 13, 2020 @8:45AM

March 12 @7:00PM

April 16 @8:45AM

May 14 @8:45AM

### Volunteering

**The Madison LC staff is looking for help packing up the book fair this Friday, 10/11 at 11AM.** If you can help, please click on the link below and sign up on the Library tab.

All volunteer opportunities (outside of field trips) are run through Home & School. There are multiple opportunities to volunteer (short-term and long-term) at Madison and all can be accessed through our SignUp Genius. See the SignUp Genius link below for details and to sign up to help. There are different sections (tabs on PC, drop down menu on mobile) so make sure to check out all of them.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4aaeaf2ea2fd0-madison>

### **Madison Team Raising Money for Madison and NEF**

Four members of our Madison family have signed up to participate in the Healthy Driven 5K/Half Marathon on October 20, 2019 as part of TEAM NEF. As part of their commitment, each member is committed to raising at least \$203 to be split evenly between Madison and the Naperville Education Foundation (NEF). If you'd like to make a donation to support TEAM MADSION, Madison Junior High, and NEF, please click on this link: <https://www.cherryfish.com//teamnef2019/page/1309>

### **S.U.C.C.E.S.S. kicks off at Madison!**

Join us on **Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8pm** in the Madison Cafeteria for the first-ever Madison S.U.C.C.E.S.S meeting, "Recipes for S.U.C.C.E.S.S." Come learn about the origin of S.U.C.C.E.S.S in District 203, and about how we, as parents of children of color, can create community to prevent our kids from feeling isolated and to share the information we need to help them succeed. VP Andrea Szczepanski will teach us about the new standardized testing, and how we can understand our student's test results and use them to be advocates for our kids. She will also show us how to utilize Infinite Campus/Campus Portal. We will also have parents share about communicating with teachers, conferences, Home & School, volunteering, and more.

Come check out S.U.C.C.E.S.S and be prepared to share your input about future events and programming.

**Dinner and childcare will be provided.**

**Please RSVP: [succesatmadison@gmail.com](mailto:succesatmadison@gmail.com)**

### **S.U.C.C.E.S.S' mission statement:**

We are a family-led organization with the support of District 203 leadership committed to empowering African-American/Black students and other students of color and their families to enhance academic performance, foster family-school connectedness, and ensure that everyone is welcomed, valued, and respected. We welcome anyone who supports our mission.

### **Show your Madison Warhawk Spirit!**

Spirit Wear Sale coming this month! Please keep a lookout for order forms and dates.

### **Directory**

We are in the process of uploading data into this year's digital directory, Directory Spot. Look for a release within the next week! If you have allowed your information in the directory, you will get an email with a link to access the 2019-2020 Madison Directory Spot. You can access it on a computer or through the free Directory Spot app. For questions about the directory, please email Denise Downey at [madisondirectory@gmail.com](mailto:madisondirectory@gmail.com). \*Parents who are also staff members for District 203, you must use a personal email to access Directory Spot. You will NOT be able to sign in with a Naperville203 email address.

## **Magazine Drive**

The Magazine Drive is in full swing and going great! The sale continues through October 18th, so there is plenty of time to earn that trip to Urban Air! Thanks to our parent volunteers, Jenn Hoover, Tricia Fallon, Lisa Kim, Heather Serice, Kristen Torres, Abeyance Mokhtar, Esther Liaw, and Chris St. John for making our prize days run so smoothly!

8<sup>th</sup> grade parents, don't forget! 20% of your 8<sup>th</sup> grader's magazine sales and donations go directly to cover your child's boat trip!

### Donations:

If someone wants to support a Madison student, but doesn't want a magazine, they can make a donation instead. **New this year:** Donations can be made right through the magazine drive website. AND donations count toward prizes! Every \$25 donation will count as 1 magazine order.

### Important Magazine Drive dates:

Friday, October 18, 2019: Last day of orders to count toward prizes—We extended the deadline by one week! Let's take advantage of this extra time!

Tuesday, November 5, 2019 OR Wednesday, November 6, 2019: Trip to Urban Air for qualifying students

If you have any questions about the Magazine Drive, please contact Meghan Heidmann at [meghanheidmann@gmail.com](mailto:meghanheidmann@gmail.com).

## **Thank you**

A quick thank you to our volunteers that have already been hard at work this year! Thank you to Meghan Heidemann for chairing our Magazine Drive this year. And thank you again to the parents who helped with Prize Days. Thank you to Kelly Johnson and Chris St. John, Gina Pierce, Irina Behrend, and Preeti Nagar for helping with Vision and Hearing Screenings.

## **For More Information:**

Follow us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/mjhswarhawks/>

Check the Home & School page on the Madison website. We just updated this information so that this can be a great ongoing resource for our Madison families. <https://www.naperville203.org/Page/2531>

For other questions, feel free to contact our Madison Home & School President, Haley Lottig, via email ([madisonhomeandschool@gmail.com](mailto:madisonhomeandschool@gmail.com))