

MEIGS MEMOS

MEIGS ACADEMIC MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL



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SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Check out our [SEL at Meigs](#) & look for SEL information here each week in Meigs Memos!

SEL for Parents: "I can't say I feel old enough, but it's true: we have a child in *middle school*. A new school. A new chapter. A whole new world. And as much as we sometimes feel like a deer in the headlights, thankfully, we're not on our own during this transition to middle school. We have experts—parents, teachers, friends—around us who are already giving us insight into the middle school mind. They are people who've been there, know what we're going through, and can help us along the way." For more information, go to our SEL at Meigs website (<https://selatmeigs.weebly.com/sel-for-parents-2022-2023.html>).

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Counseling Corner:

Just as you keep a careful eye on your middle schooler's physical health, it's important to keep tabs on their mental well-being, too. Here's how.

Start a conversation. Talking about mental health struggles lets your middle grader know they're not alone. Try saying, "I heard a lot of kids are stressed or depressed lately. How are you feeling?" Or they might be more comfortable opening up if you keep the focus off of them: "How are your friends doing? Have they mentioned feeling worried or sad?"

Keep talking. Make conversations about emotions part of everyday life, not something you bring up only when there's a problem. At dinner, ask everyone to share something that made them feel good that day. This opens the door to discussing negative feelings, too.

For more information on our school counseling program please visit our web page at <http://www.meigsacademicmagnet.org/school-counseling.html>

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

As we approach the second nine weeks, please remember attendance matters. Students are expected to attend school each day and arrive on time. Students should be in their classrooms, seated, and ready to learn by 8:00 AM. If your student must be absent, please email Mrs. Forrest at kathryn.forrest@mnps.org with this information including the reason for the absence. Written communication regarding absences is required from parents. Students who attend school daily have a better opportunity for higher student achievement and feel confident about their work at school. Our goal is for every student to have minimal absences during the school year and we appreciate our parents working with us toward this goal.

ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL

Car line is running smoothly & quickly! Everyone has done an amazing job during arrival and dismissal. A couple of reminders for safety: Please do not drop off and pick up on Ramsey street or in the bus lane at the front of the building. Thanks everyone for helping us keep our kids safe!



LIT NIGHT - SAVE THE DATE!

Lit Night at Meigs

Thursday, October 27th

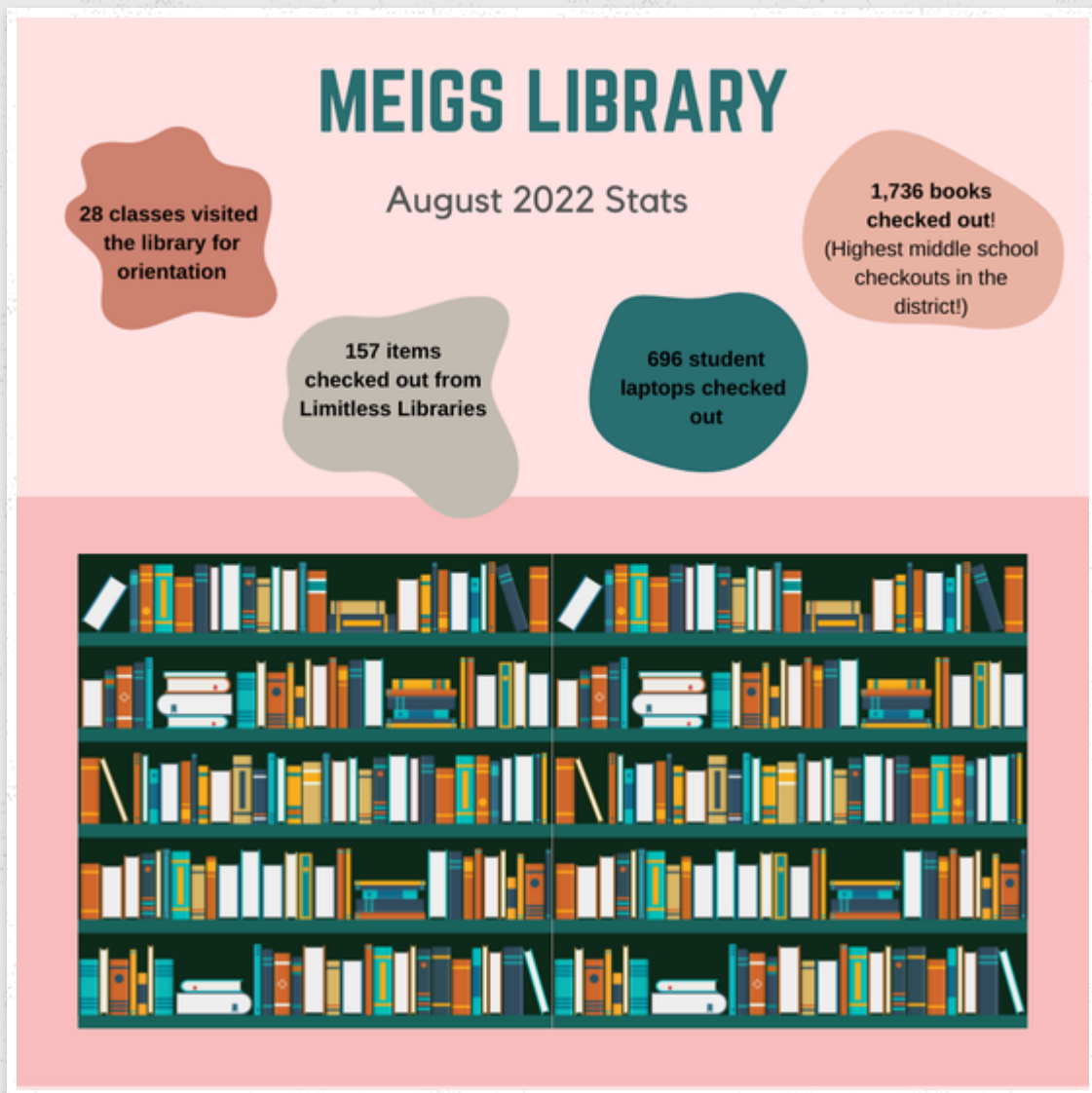
5:00 - 7:30 PM

More information to follow!

LIBRARY NEWS

August was a busy month in the Meigs library!

In addition to having the highest number of books checked out in the middle school tier, we also had the highest number of minutes logged in Beanstack with 30,504 minutes of reading logged!



CAVALIERS ON STAGE DRAMA CLUB

Come support the Cavaliers on Stage Drama Club's Fall Play production of Transyl-Mania October 3-4 @ 5pm in the Meigs MPR.

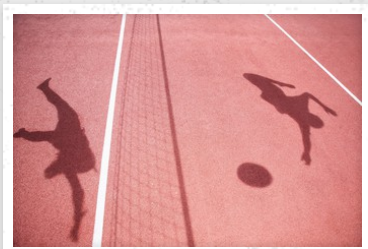
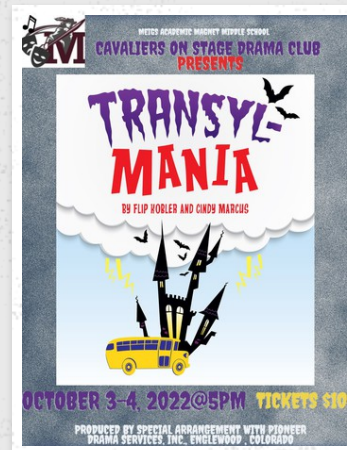
ABOUT THE SHOW:

Cue the lightning! Cue the thunder! It's monster mayhem in this frightfully fun comedy! Transylvania High School is where the kids of all the classic monster movie villains go to learn the tricks of the trade. There are vampires, mummies, werewolves, zombies, witches, Frankenstein's daughter, the Invisible Man's son, and even the Phantom of the Opera's kid, all of them struggling to live up to their parents' legendary examples. From science fair projects to cliques, these monsters struggle with the same stresses as typical teenagers. When a group of human high school students stumbles upon the monster school thanks to a broken down bus, utter mayhem ensues. Far more silly than spooky, this comedy delivers both loads of laughs and a gentle message about befriending those who are different from us.

TICKETS:

Tickets are \$10 each general admission. All sales are final—**NO REFUNDS**.

You can get your ticket by clicking the link below! Tickets are selling fast. Hurry now before they're gone! [Transyl-Mania Tickets](#)



VOLLEYBALL TICKETS AND PERMISSION FORMS

Athletic Tickets:

This year tickets to all home soccer, volleyball, and basketball games will be purchased using Go Fan. To purchase tickets, you can go to their Web site or use the app and search Meigs Academic Magnet School or use the QR Code provided at the event. No cash will be accepted.

[GoFan - The largest high school ticketing solution in the U.S.](#)

Volleyball Permission Form:

Any student that would like to attend a home volleyball game must have a parent complete this permission form by 8 A.M. on the day of the game. Home games are on September 7, 12, 26, and October 5.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdj4irJU_1EKgtCi_wK0etDR4DuoGayfIsolSTPKOFbtDdF-HA/viewform?usp=sf_link

2022-2023 MEIGS CHESS PROGRAM



Check out the Meigs Magnet School [Chess Program!](#)

PTO NEWS

City Saver

Our City Saver coupon book fundraiser will run from September 19th through October 3rd. Books will be \$30 and the PTO receives 50% of proceeds! This is a great fundraiser for the school and we've always done an awesome job raising funds for our awesome school! Further information about City Saver can be found below or at - <https://www.meigspto.com/city-saver.html>

Interested in volunteering? We will need a couple parent volunteers to help organize the books before they're distributed to home rooms this Thursday, September 15th. We will also need parent volunteers to help fulfill orders, 9/20 – 10/3, mostly Tuesday & Thursday mornings, from 8 – 10am. To sign up to volunteer, visit - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0545afae2ca2f85-city2>

BoomBozz Fundraising Day

Make plans to dine-in or out at BoomBozz on Thursday, September 29th. The East Nashville (1003 Russell St, Nashville, TN 37206) BoomBozz location will be hosting a Fundraising Day where 15% of your check will be donated to Meigs. This is happening all day and all you need to do is mention Meigs when you place your order. For further information visit - <https://www.meigspto.com/boombozz-fundraiser.html>

Box Tops for Education

Have you signed up yet? This is an easy way to earn money to support Meigs with the purchases you already make. All you need to do is download the app and upload your paper and digital receipts, from wherever you shop, within 14 days of purchase. There are over 350 participating products and the app offers special box top reward bonuses that get updated all the time. Sign-up today, the more families that participate the more we earn for Meigs! For further information, including a video tutorial on how to sign up, visit <https://www.meigspto.com/shopping-and-rewards.html>

Concession Stand

We will have concessions at our home volleyball and basketball games again this year. Please visit the concession stand for all your sweet and salty snack favorites. All proceeds will go directly to Meigs PTO to support the teachers, staff, and students of Meigs Academic Magnet Middle School in academics and athletics. Thanks for supporting Meigs PTO!

PTO Meeting

You are invited to the first PTO meeting of the year on Thursday, September 22nd at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will take place in the library (enter through the cafeteria), or you can listen to the meeting using the zoom link –

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87912043670?pwd=Mkd5R3VTVIVncUNGd2Q03TEhyd2JXUT09>

Meeting ID: 879 1204 3670

Passcode: 139314

Titans Fundraiser

Enjoy a Titans game and raise money for our school. Discounted tickets for those who use our code, MEIGS, are available for the following games - November 27th v. the Cincinnati Bengals, December 11th v. the Jacksonville Jaguars, and December 24th v. the Houston Texans*. And best of all, \$10 from each ticket is donated to our PTO!

We have started our Titans swag raffles (our 1st winner was Clare Jackson, 5th grade) and they will continue for the next couple of Fridays. The sooner you purchase your tickets the more chances you will have to win some fun Titans swag. Plus, if we purchase 87 more tickets for the 11/27 game against the Bengals, Meigs will be invited onto the field for a special post-game photo op! This is an amazing opportunity for Titans fans of all ages!

To get a sneak peak of the swag that will be raffled as well as find out more information, visit - <https://www.meigspto.com/titans-fundraiser.html>

To purchase tickets visit - <https://offer.fevo.com/school-ticket-program-b1d6719>

Remember to use the code MEIGS and enjoy the game!

*Unfortunately, the November 13th game v. the Broncos is sold out. This does not impact anyone who has already purchased tickets for this game.

Meigs Mart

The online Meigs Mart store is now open! Visit <https://meigsmart.square.site> to purchase any Meigs ware. Please make sure you include your child's contact information during check-out. Happy Shopping!

PTO Needs Help For The 2022 – 2023 School Year

The PTO is looking for an Invest Level Liaison (6th or 8th Grade) for the 2022 – 2023 school year. More information about this position can be found at - <https://www.meigspto.com/open-pto-positions-2022--23.html>

More Information

Need more information about Meigs and its PTO?? Here are some sites to visit –

Website: <https://www.meigspto.com/>

Facebook "Meigs PTO" Page: <https://www.facebook.com/MeigsPto>

Facebook "Meigs PTO Carpool Connection" Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/238990073536430>

Instagram "MeigsPto" Page: <https://www.instagram.com/meigspto/>



Sept 19th, 2022

Dear Parents,

We are kicking off our 2022 fundraising season by once again selling the popular Nashville City Saver coupon books with their companion iPhone & Android App for DOUBLE SAVINGS!

Books are \$30.00 and money raised from the sales of these books supports academics, athletics, arts and activities at Meigs. If every student bought one book and sold one book we would easily hit our goal of \$13,000 profit.

IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO PURCHASE THE ENCLOSED CITY SAVER BOOK, PLEASE RETURN IT IN THE ORIGINAL ENVELOPE WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON IT BEFORE THE 10/3 DEADLINE.

- Please turn in orders and checks weekly. **BOOKS ARE \$30**
- ORDERS WILL BE FILLED AND PRIZES DISTRIBUTED ON TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
- PREFERRED PAYMENT METHOD: Meig's website at <https://squareup.com/store/meigsmart>
- Checks should be made payable to Meigs PTO
- Out of town editions can be purchase at citysaver.com

Thank you for supporting the Meigs PTO!
Niki Griffin nikihuey@gmail.com Meigs City Saver Chair

BOOK PRICE: \$30



PRIZES

Sell 1: Get in drawing for a pair of apple AirPods

Sell 3: Win silicon AirPods case w/clip

Sell 5: Free City Saver book/Altitude Trampoline Park pass

Sell 8: Win selfie light and Climb Nashville pass

Sell 10: Win Escape Game pass and get in drawing for a pair of Predators tickets

Sell 15: Win a ticket to our PRIVATE NASHVILLE
PREDATORS TOP SELLER PARTY AT DEFY TRAMPOLINE PARK!

*****ICE CREAM FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL IF WE SELL 1,000 BOOKS!*****

WEEKLY DRAWINGS FOR ATTRACTION AND RESTAURANT PASSES!

TOP TEN SELLERS EARN

BOOMBOZZ PIZZA GIFT CARDS!

MEIGS MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL 2023 YEARBOOK

RESERVE A YEARBOOK BY
PRE-ORDERING TODAY

HOW TO ORDER:

1. ONLINE AT
YEARBOOKORDERCENTER.COM
WITH SCHOOL CODE 1259.
2. CASH PAYMENT TO MISS
HOLLOWAY. MONEY ORDERS
MADE OUT TO MEIGS.
(NO CHECKS ACCEPTED)



DEADLINES:

\$35 UNTIL NOVEMBER 24.

\$40 UNTIL JANUARY 31.

\$45 UNTIL APRIL 9.

\$50 UNTIL MAY 26.

PERSONALIZATION SALES END APRIL 4.

PRE-ORDERS END APRIL 9.

QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED. DON'T MISS OUT.

HERFF  JONES.

MEIGS INVEST UPDATE

Good afternoon Meigs families!

I know – I know – I am competing with Meigs Memos for your attention in your inbox this morning, but I really couldn't wait to share this. It hasn't even been four weeks and we are already **83% of the way to our \$45,000 INVEST goal, raising \$37,155 so far.**

But wait – it gets better. Not only do we have **7 donations over \$1000** so far– we have a **new ALL-TIME RECORD DONATION of \$2000!** And just to reiterate that all donations matter, almost a **third of our total has come from donations under \$250** with the **average donation being \$279.**

I am speechless – and grateful – and so appreciative for these and all the donations that have put us so close to our goal already.

There are **699 Meigs students** this year who benefit from the investments that you make in our school, and so far **137 families have donated \$36,505** and we have received **two donations from outside the school totaling \$650** – thank you so much to those who have already donated. Imagine what that total will look like when we have at least half of our families contributing.

As a reminder, your donations to INVEST fund some of the resources that make our students' Meigs experience so exceptional: classroom instructional materials, arts & technology, physical education, athletics, clubs, and much more! Many of these investments are “must haves” for our teachers to provide the excellence in education we have come to expect as Meigs families. We want to continue providing our amazing faculty what they need to give our children a top-notch education.

As always, we understand that each of us have varying circumstances and, **if the remaining 81% of families donate what you are able, even small amounts, we can meet this goal together.**

Here is the overall breakdown by grade:

5th Grade: \$11,034 – 52 of 174 student's families

6th Grade: \$9,750 – 38 of 178 student's families

7th Grade: \$8,310 – 25 of 175 student's families

8th Grade: \$7,411 – 20 of 172 student's families

Every donation matters, whether it is \$25, \$250 or \$2000!

Also if you have other family members who might want to invest in your child at Meigs, ask them to donate too using the links below – we accept donations from anyone who cares about Meigs!

Making a donation is easy, just select the [DONATE TO INVEST](#) button on the [PTO INVEST website](#)(<https://www.meigspto.com/invest-campaign.html>). You may also mail your gift as a check to: MEIGS PTO INVEST, 713 Ramsey St, Nashville, TN 37206. Please make checks payable to Meigs PTO and write “INVEST” in the Memo line.

On behalf of our students and teachers, thank you for your continued support. We are truly grateful.

Rob Jack

7th Grade Parent and INVEST Chair

COVID GUIDELINES 2022-2023

If you have additional questions, aside from the information provided below, please contact the school nurse.

Where can I go to get a COVID test?

MNPS offers testing for students and staff through the school nurse. Individuals must be symptomatic or exposed, along with a written consent on file.

My student tested positive, or I am a staff member who tested positive. Whom should I contact?

If a student or staff member tests positive, please email school administrators and/or the school nurse. Please include the date that symptoms began and the date of the positive test. We recommend that students follow up with their teachers to ensure they are aware of the work that must be completed while isolating. Students are strongly encouraged to continue their academic progress during a temporary COVID-19 isolation period.

My student tested positive, or I am a staff member who tested positive. How long do they (I) have to stay out of school?

The current CDC guidance for positive cases requires a 5-day isolation period. The beginning of isolation will start after the start of symptoms or positive test, whichever is earliest.

My student is vaccinated and was a close contact to someone and they were unmasked (for example, eating lunch together). Do they need to be quarantined considering their exposure was unmasked?

No. Students will ONLY be required to isolate if they are a confirmed positive case.

Does a student or staff member need a negative test to return to school?

No, MNPS does not require negative tests to return to school after isolation.

Does a student or staff member need a note from a medical provider to return to school?

No, they can simply come back with a parent note (for students) stating that they are not symptomatic, and it has been at least five days since start of symptoms/positive test.

Face coverings refresher: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html>



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