

Dear Parents,

We hope everyone had a peaceful and enjoyable week with family and friends. Please remind your Greyhounds that **Monday is a GREY day.**

MPVA Calendar – Check out this week’s events at MPVA [here](#).

New Afterschool Pick-Up Procedures – Effective Monday, December 2, we are implementing new pick-up procedures for students still on campus at 4:20 PM. This is being done to help ensure the safety of our students still on campus after our faculty members and officer who are outside supervising come back into the building. **We will have a mix of administrators and a faculty member supervising our students while they are in the cafeteria from 4:20 PM – 5:30 PM.** Parents who cannot pick-up their child by 5:30 PM will be asked for a conference with an administrator. The new procedures are as follows:

1. Students will sign-in when they come in to the cafeteria at 4:20 PM. They will be able to work on homework or read/study while they wait.
2. **Parents/guardians will need to sign-out their child from the cafeteria when they arrive – no exceptions.** Students will not be released if they state they received a phone call or text from their parent/guardian telling them they are outside and asking them to come out. The adult picking the student up must physically present themselves in the cafeteria in order to sign the student out.
3. A “Consent for Pick-Up” form (attached) will be made available to parents who may have someone other than themselves picking their child up.
4. Adults picking up a student should be prepared to provide identification.

These new procedures only apply when MPVA is in session for a full school day. **These procedures do not apply during Early Release Days** as administrators and faculty members will be involved in professional development or other school business for the remainder of an Early Release day. On Early Release Days, parents must make arrangements to pick-up their students at the end of the instructional day. On Early Release days, our students are released at 1:10 PM.

These procedures are basic and may be revised as our needs change or we see an opportunity for improvement. Please remember that these new pick-up procedures are in response to our need to increase student safety on our campus. If you have any suggestions or ideas that you feel would contribute to these new procedures, please let me know.

For parents who need supervision until 6:00 PM and/or would like a more structured after school environment with more options, please consider the PTO sponsored After-Care Program: <https://www.houstonisd.org/domain/50561>

Magnet Application Help – If you would like help filling out a Magnet/School Choice High School Application, please contact MPVA educator, Traci Latson, at

tlatson@houstonisd.org to set an appointment. The applications are due December 6, 2019.

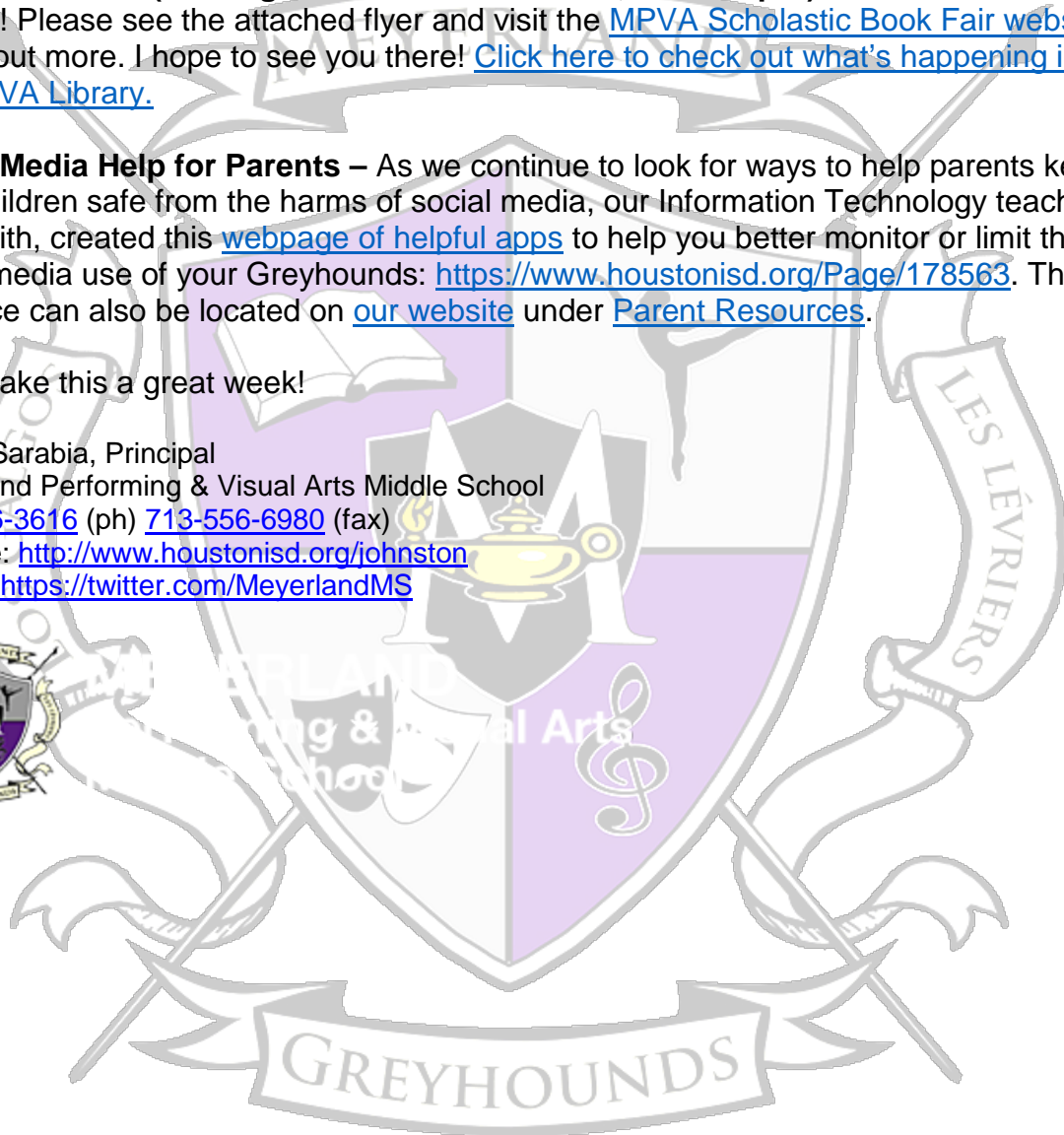
School Climate Survey – Attached is a link to a climate survey for our school. This is a benchmark to see how we are doing and where we have room to grow. Thank you in advance for your feedback: : <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MeyerlandMS19>

MPVA Book Fair (Message from MPVA Librarian, Ms. Cooper) - The Book Fair is coming! Please see the attached flyer and visit the [MPVA Scholastic Book Fair website](#) to find out more. I hope to see you there! [Click here to check out what's happening in the MPVA Library.](#)

Social Media Help for Parents – As we continue to look for ways to help parents keep their children safe from the harms of social media, our Information Technology teacher, Mr. Smith, created this [webpage of helpful apps](#) to help you better monitor or limit the social media use of your Greyhounds: <https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/178563>. This resource can also be located on [our website](#) under [Parent Resources](#).

Let's make this a great week!

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**AUTHORIZATION TO PICK-UP STUDENT FROM MEYERLAND PERFORMING &
VISUAL ARTS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Name of Student(s):

I hereby inform Meyerland Performing and Visual Arts Middle School (MPVA) that the people listed below are authorized to pick up the above-named student(s) between 4:20 PM – 5:30 PM daily. By signing I also understand that this consent is only applicable when MPVA is in session for an entire school day. There will be no additional supervision provided to students on HISD Early Release Days when MPVA students are released at 1:10 PM.

AUTHORIZED PICK-UP PERSON:

Name:	Relationship to Child:	Phone Number:
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

I understand that:

- The “Authorized Pick-Up Person” must be at least 18 years old and may be asked to provide a photo ID to the staff.
- This authorization shall remain in force until edited or rescinded in writing by the signers of this authorization.

Authorized by:

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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