



MAYNARD H. JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

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Greetings Class of 2020:

Congratulations! You are officially in high school! Our faculty is elated that your parents chose Maynard Jackson High School to guide your education during these critical years. We take our duties and responsibilities as educators very seriously in our efforts to lead 100% of you to graduation, college, and career with the most accelerated and competitive opportunities available. You are only weeks away from the start of a four-year journey where you will grow academically, physically, emotionally, and socially. High school is a critical stage in a student's life that greatly impacts your future. We are eager and excited to get to know all of our 9th grade students and their families. As we are feverishly preparing for your arrival in August, we recognize that you have many questions about what to expect when you begin school on Wednesday, August 3, 2016. Hopefully this letter will provide you with answers to some of your questions.

Key Dates to Remember:

- **July 13, 2016:** Jackson Cluster Site Enrollment and Registration 9AM-12PM and 2PM-4PM. Visit the following website for details <http://atlanta.k12.ga.us/Page/49656>
- **July 18-22, 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 3:00 pm**
- **July 25-27, 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 3:00pm**

August 1, 2016 from 1:00 to 3:00: Maynard Jackson High School Open House

- You will receive your schedule, meet your teachers, and learn more about MHJHS.

August 3, 2016: First Day of School. Class begins at 8:25 am. Please arrive no later than 8:20 am. Please note: Bus schedules will be posted on the district's website in late July.

Stay Informed

- Make sure to utilize the wide variety of online resources and social media sites to stay informed about school and district news and events.
 - Exclusively for our 9th Grade students and their parents, we utilize a one-way text messaging system (www.remind.com) to communicate important school-related news. Please join today! Simply TEXT the message @mjhs20 to the following number 81010.
 - Follow us on TWITTER: @MHJHSJaguars and @MHJHSPrincipal
 - MHJHS International Baccalaureate Site: <http://maynardjacksonib.wix.com/mjhsib>
 - APS website: www.atlanta.k12.ga.us
 - Our school website: <http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/Domain/3508>
 - Key features:
 - Our school calendar and teacher website links can be found here.
 - Check Parent Portal (<https://ic.apsk12.org/campus/portal/atlanta.jsp>) on a regular basis to monitor student attendance and grades.





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Dress Code

We are a uniform school. Please review the attached Dress Code document so that you purchase the correct school clothes this summer.

Lockers

The locker fee is \$5 for the year. We will begin selling lockers during Open House on August 1. Afterwards, you may purchase lockers from your advisory teacher or Mrs. Valerie Martin in the main office.

Book Bags

Students are permitted to carry either a **CLEAR or SEE THROUGH MESH BOOK BAG** throughout the day. Book bags that are not clear or see through **MUST** be stored in your locker during the instructional day. Females are permitted a small purse for personal items.

Keys to a Successful 9th Grade Year

- Ensure that you attend school regularly and arrive on time each day. Poor or irregular attendance is a key reason for failure.
 - **The school day runs from 8:25 am to 3:30 pm. This means that 1st period BEGINS at 8:25 am. You are expected to report to school between 8:00 am and 8:20 am.**
- Stay organized and manage your time carefully. You can easily become overwhelmed in high school without effective organizational and time-management skills.
- Establish a regular work time to complete homework AND study – there's a difference!
- Speak with your teachers, counselor, and/or administrator sooner rather than later when you have a problem or concern.
- Become involved! Join a club, team, or activity. There are countless opportunities to participate in rewarding and enjoyable activities outside of the instructional program. Research shows that participation in after-school activities has a positive effect on overall achievement and attitude toward school, as well as connecting students with adults and encouraging new friendships.

We are committed to providing a smooth transition and nurturing environment for all incoming 9th grade students. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, and/or comments. We look forward to a successful 2016-2017 school year at Maynard H. Jackson High School.

Maynard H. Jackson High School Administrators

