

MAYNARD H. JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

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Greetings Classes of 2017, 2018, and 2019:

Welcome back from your proud Maynard H. Jackson High School Administrators. We hope you are enjoying your summer vacation. You are only weeks away from the start of another fantastic year at Maynard H. Jackson High School. We are eager and excited to see each of you in August. As we feverishly prepare for your return, we recognize you may have 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 <u>http://atlanta.k12.ga.us/Page/49656</u>
- August 1, 2016 from 1:00 to 3:00: Maynard Jackson High School Open House You will receive your schedule, meet your teachers, and receive updates 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.

Dress Code

As you know, 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 sell lockers during Open House on August 1st.

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.

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.
 - APS website: <u>www.atlanta.k12.ga.us</u>
 - o Our school website: <u>http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/Domain/3508</u>
 - Key features:





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- Our school calendar and teacher website links can be found here.
- Check Parent Portal (<u>https://ic.apsk12.org/campus/portal/atlanta.jsp</u>) on a regular basis to monitor student attendance and grades.
- Follow us on TWITTER: **@MHJHSJaguars** and **@MHJHSPrincipal**
- o MHJHS International Baccalaureate Site: <u>http://maynardjacksonib.wix.com/mjhsib</u>

Make 2016-2017 Your Most Successful School Year to Date

- Ensure that you attend school regularly and arrive on time each day. Poor or irregular attendance is a key reason for failure.
 - $\circ~$ The school day runs from 8:25 am to 3:30 pm. This means that 1st period BEGINS at 8:25 am.
- Stay organized and manage your time carefully. You can easily become overwhelmed 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 creating an instructionally-focused, safe, and nurturing environment for all 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.

Read, relax, and gear up for August! MJJ ALL DAY!

Your Administrative Team

