January 13, 2025

Dear Marshall Community,

We have a PTO meeting on Thursday, January 16 at 6 PM in the school library. We would love to see you there. Please help and be an active part of our school community.

We will be administering the i-Ready midyear math assessment this week on Tuesday morning. Please do everything you can to have your child at school and on time! Please remind your child to charge their chromebook! Thank you!

Martin Luther King Day is a federal holiday marking the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. which is on Monday, January 20. On this day we honor Dr. King's accomplishments as a civil rights leader. He is best known for his acts of civil disobedience through nonviolent activism.

The federal holiday was signed into law by President Ronald Reagan in 1983 and was first observed in 1986. It was not until 2000 that all 50 states adopted and observed this federal holiday. There were many observances and services held Monday commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy. One of my favorite quotes from Dr King is "Only in the darkness can you see the stars." I hope you find this quote as inspirational as I do.

Monday is also Inauguration Day, Donald Trump will be sworn in as the forty ninth President of the United States. This is a great opportunity for our students to witness history in the making.

Study Club meets on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Any student can access the study club to receive extra help or to complete homework, however students must sign up by letting a teacher know if they will be staying. There is NO fee for Study Club. Parents must provide transportation home after Study Club and all after school events.

In the event your child will be absent from school, please report your child's absence by using the school attendance line or email.

- ATTENDANCE LINE......978-528-8682
- ATTENDANCE EMAIL.....marshallabsent@billericak12.com

Warmest Regards,

Mr. Rossi

## **Weekly Notices and School Information**

### Marshall PTO Corner -

Next Meeting Thursday, January 16, 2025 6 PM (school library)

Click here for

President: Kristin Glazer Treasure: Dominic Spoto Vice President: OPEN Secretary: Jen Thomas

2024 2025 PTO Meeting Notes.docx - Google Docs

### Marshall Middle School Night with the River Hawks

Our next PTO event is a <u>Marshall Middle School Night at the Tsongas Center.</u>
UMASS Lowell River Hawks vs Merrimack College Warriors
Saturday, Feb.1 6:05 PM "Star Wars Night"

GoRiverHawks.com/MARSHALL

Tickets \$15 ORDERS DUE BY: January 30,2025 Price does not include ticket fee.

## All students MUST be accompanied by a parent.

Proceeds benefit Marshall Middle School.

For more information, contact Jennifer Elderkin jenn.jenn@comcast.net

### Marshall Middle School Spirit Wednesdays

The Marshall Student Council is hosting Spirit Wednesdays and Spirit Week February 10th -14th. Show your school spirit by dressing up on Wednesdays...

(see schedule)

Wednesday is Decades Day! - Dress in your favorite decade!!!

### YEARBOOK SALES HAVE BEGUN

This year the Marshall PTO voted to purchase a Marshall Yearbook for every 7th grade student. Thank you Marshall PTO!

Please sign up to purchase your 2024-2025 yearbook today for \$25. Visit the Jostens website at <a href="https://www.Jostens.com/BKORDER">www.Jostens.com/BKORDER</a> Please type in Marshall Middle School, Billerica, MA. Be sure to type in Billerica, as there are many middle schools with the name Marshall.

### Marshall Yearbook Information.... We need photos! (see below)

Please help the Yearbook Club by submitting your class photos to capture special moments! By clicking on the provided link, staff and students can upload photos they may want to use. Thank you! **Yearbook Photo Link** 

### **School Cancellations and Delays**

On days when inclement weather necessitates the closing of schools or a delayed opening, the Superintendent of Schools will notify area radio/TV stations. You will also receive an announcement via email and/or a phone call from the district. Letter days on the student schedule do not change in the event of school cancellation. We skip the letter day on a day school when it is canceled and proceed to the next letter day.

During a 2 hour delay, it is just that, everything begins 2 hours later. If you are normally at your bus stop at 7:05, you should be at the bus stop at 9:05. Breakfast is not served when there is a two hour delay. Student schedules will reflect shorter periods allowing students to attend all classes. This schedule can be found in the student agenda book. 2 Hour Delay Schedule

Let's hope for snow, but not on school days!

# Week of January 13-17, 2025

### Monday, January 13, 2025 A Day

Study Club

### Tuesday, January 14, 2025 B Day

iReady Testing - Math Test

• Shawsheen Tech - Project Explore 7th Grade

### Wednesday, January 15, 2025 C Day Marshall Spirit Days - Decades Day

- Study Club
- School Council 3 PM Guidance Office

### Thursday, January 16, 2025 D Day

- Study Club
- Shawsheen Tech Project Explore 7th Grade
- PTO- 6 PM School Library

### Friday, January 17, 2025 A Day

Today is a great day to check your child's ASPEN Account

## **Important Dates**

- January 20, 2025...Martin Luther King Jr. Day NO SCHOOL
- January 21, 2025...School Committee Meeting at 6PM
- January 27, 2025...Quarter 2 Ends
- January 28, 2025...Quarter 3 Begins
- January 31, 2025...Book Fair Begins Day 1 Grade 5
- February 3, 2025...Book Fair Grade 6
- February 3, 2025...Theatre Club 2pm 4pm
- February 4, 2025...Early Release Day, Dismissal at 11:40am
- February 5, 2025...Book Fair Grade 7
- February 14, 2025...Valentine's Day
- February 17-21, 2025...February Vacation Week!

## Have a great week!

"Be the best version of yourself!"