



Benefits of Generosity

The Benefit

For many parents having a child that grows up healthy and happy is a top priority from day one. Research studies year after year, are highlighting the benefits of generosity. Not only does generosity reduce stress, improve physical health, enhance one's sense of purpose, and naturally fight depression, it is also shown to increase a person's lifespan.

Teach It

So, if generosity has these wonderful benefits, how do we instill them in our children? We must teach it. Generosity needs to be taught. There are a number of ways that can assist in its teaching. Manners are a form of generosity. Good manners are about being con-

siderate, patient, tolerant, and kind. Opening doors for others, giving up your seat to someone older or physically challenged, waiting for everyone to be served before beginning to eat are all examples of generosity.

Require your child to have good manners. Arrange formal practice sessions if they seem to not be getting it.

Expect and Express It

Make sure your child knows that you expect them to be a generous person. When you notice someone being generous, call your child's attention to it. Let them know that it is important. Have a family chari-

ty to which you contribute, or have your child identify a charity of which they make



regular donation.

Win-Win

Each day life presents us with hundreds of opportunities to be generous. The power of being generous helps the person who receives it, but also the person that gives it. A simple gift that can be given at any time and at any place in which all will benefit. *Source: PsychAlive*

UPCOMING EVENTS

MJHS Toys for Tots Drive Begins	Dec. 3
Christmas Chorus Concert (6:30pm)	Dec. 4
Christmas Band Concert (7:00pm)	Dec. 11
MJHS Toys for Tots Drive Ends	Dec. 14
Christmas Dance (6:30-8:30pm)	Dec. 15
11:30am Dismissal / 2nd Quarter Ends	Dec. 21
No School Christmas Break 	Dec. 24 - Jan. 4
Boys' Basketball vs. Casey-Westfield (H) 6:00pm	Jan. 3
LEIC Boys' Conference Basketball Tournament Hosted by: Lawrenceville Parkview	Jan. 4 - Jan. 10
School Resumes / 3rd Quarter Begins	Jan. 7

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your family doing well. The year has been clipping by at a fast pace. Throughout the year it has been asked by parents and guardians, "How can I get my child to be more responsible with their schoolwork?" Now that your student is in junior high the responsibility of becoming an active learner is vital. Teachers want students to participate. Make

Message from the Principal

sure that your child knows that it is his or her responsibility to attend class every day, come prepared with homework completed and supplies in hand. It is important that your child understands to ask questions. A student's goal is to ask one thoughtful question in each class every day. Also it is your child's responsibility to avoid certain unwanted behaviors. Sharing these classroom "don't" with them can help. Don't fidget or play with gadgets or games, don't put your

head on the desk, or excessively talk when not called upon. Never make rude comments or remarks or inappropriate gestures. Express upon them that these actions will take away from their success and the success of others. Hopefully, these tips will assist with the success of your student. With that being said, it is my wish for all of our students and their families to have a safe and joyful Holiday Season.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Tony Graham, MJHS Principal



MJHS News Shorts



On Saturday, December 15 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Marshall JHS Gym, we will have our annual Christmas Dance for MJHS 7th and 8th grade students only. Admission is \$2.00 or a can good to donate to our local food pantry.



Starting in the winter months, Mrs. Perry is selling hot chocolate for \$1.00 in the library on Friday's. Students may enjoy this warm treat if they receive permission from their classroom teachers. The proceeds will go to the junior high school Accelerated Reader incentives program.



FAMILY READ WEEK

On November 14, MJHS PAWS students read to South School students for Family Read Week. Wonderful interactions were witnessed between our elementary and junior high students.



Marshall JHS PAWS and Student Council members are again collecting for "Toys for Tots" now until December 14. Gifts for children of all ages are welcome. Students can bring in a toy, puzzle, game, or book into the junior high library. This is also a Principal's Challenge Event, which means that Mr. Graham has challenged students to bring in a goal of at least 100 items or more. If the student body reaches their goal, Mr. Graham will have to karaoke in front of the entire school!



YOU SANK MY BATTLESHIP.....IN MATH?

The 8th grade pre-algebra classes ended chapter two with a fierce game of Battleship. Each class partnered up to solve equations and take a shot at sinking their opponents ships. The students had to apply their '5 Steps to Solve' knowledge on a variety of multi-step equations. The more problems you solved correctly, the more opportunities you had to 'sink a ship'. The partner with the most hits at the end walked away with 5 bonus points to put toward the test the following day! Congratulations to Ethan Hendrix for having the highest amount of hits and sinking all of his opponents ships!!

Mrs. Templeton's class is learning about poetry. They are incorporating what they have learned about elements of literature and figurative language and bringing it together with various types of poetry. The students will create 5 original poems pairing one form of figurative language with one type of poetry, then present it to the class.



TOURNAMENT TIME

During the past weeks, Marshall JHS physical education classes learned about the game of badminton. Students learned about the rules of the game along with the proper skills involved in playing the game and how to work as a team. The finale was a badminton tournament. Below are photos of the tournament champions from each hour. Congratulations!

- 1st Hour: Alanna Maas & Landon Boatman
- 2nd Hour: Nevaeh Dinkelmann & Chayce Comstock (Not Pictured)
- 3rd Hour: Trenton Sanders & Conner Daugherty (Not Pictured)
- 4th Hour: Griffin Holcomb & Bradley Wallace (Mr. McNeely's class)
Iris Pruiett & Hannah Creasey (Mrs. Arthur's class)
- 6th Hour: Brandon Healey & Jeremiah Wagner
- 7th Hour: Raidyn Franklin & Sadie Svika



November Students of the Month

Each month will have a different character trait that will be focused on when selecting deserving students. This month's character trait was **CITIZENSHIP**, positively contributing to society and community as well as dutifully respecting authority and the law.

Congratulations to our November Students of the Month!



7th Graders: Mary Webber & Avery Sheets
 8th Graders: Lilie Perry & Eli Hiatt