



# **MVS PARENT INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

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# INTRODUCTIONS

- Deana Bishop, MVS Director
- Amy Vagnier, Assistant Director of Schools
- Cheryl Hatcher, MVS Registrar
- Steering Committee
  - Kevin Myers, MRIS Principal
  - Andy Lombardo, MCS Director of Technology
  - Maria Greene, MHS Assistant Principal
  - Dr. Alex Oldham, MHS SS teacher
  - Bob Kirkland, SHE teacher/ Tech Coach
  - Jodi Eanes, JSE teacher/ Tech Coach

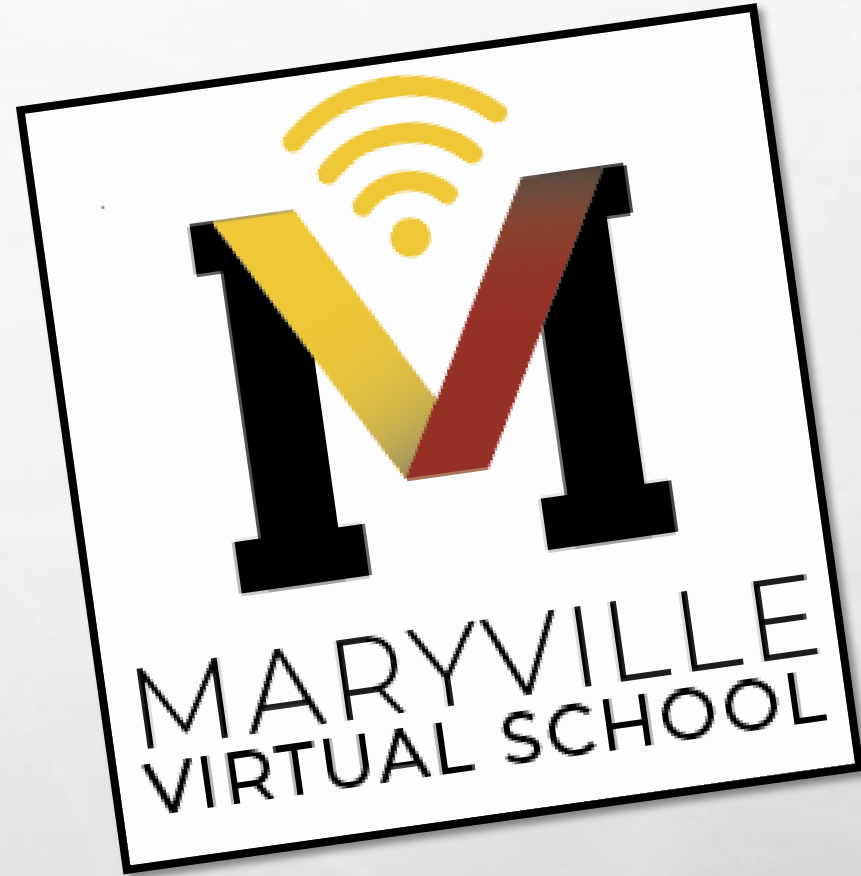


# AGENDA

- Overview presentation
- Questions/ Answers session with Steering Committee– 1 on 1



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path to excellence*





# WHAT DOES INSTRUCTION LOOK LIKE FOR MY CHILD?

- Most instruction will be asynchronous— lessons will be released on Saturday Mornings and due by midnight on Friday.
- Lessons will include videoed instruction, practice sets, assignments, and assessments.
- Most courses will be delivered through Canvas Learning Management System.

The screenshot shows the Canvas LMS interface for a 3rd grade student. The top navigation bar includes the Maryville Virtual School logo, a hamburger menu, and the text "Specials: 3rd". Below this, the page title is "Specials: 3rd Grade". A sidebar on the left contains navigation icons for Account, Dashboard, Courses, Calendar, Inbox, History, SS Mastery, and Help. The main content area features three buttons: "Teacher Contact Info", "Course Information", and "PowerSchool Grades". Below these buttons is a large grey box with the text "Specials Classes". At the bottom, there is a grid of 20 cells, each representing a week from Week 1 to Week 20. The "Week 3" cell is highlighted with a blue link.

Week 1	Week 2	<a href="#">Week 3</a>	Week 4	Week 5
<a href="#">Week 6</a>	<a href="#">Week 7</a>	<a href="#">Week 8</a>	<a href="#">Week 9</a>	<a href="#">Week 10</a>
Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15
Week 16	Week 17	Week 18	Week 19	Week 20

# HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT FOR MY 2<sup>ND</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADER?

- Students may have small group zoom meetings for reading groups or math groups.



# WHAT DOES CURRICULUM LOOK LIKE FOR MY CHILD?

- TN State Standards alignment
- Materials and resources to include lessons developed by Maryville teachers and software solutions.
- Engaging practice sets with built-in corrective and immediate academic feedback



# HOW DOES MY CHILD GET HELP?

- Course teachers are available by email.
- If needed, course teachers are available via zoom for tutoring sessions, when needed.
- Academic Support Center available during the day at the MVS building.
- Tiered Interventions, Special Education and ELL support will be provided.





# WHAT IF MY CHILD IS FALLING BEHIND?

- Teachers and administrators will be keeping close tabs on grades and attendance.
- Parents will also monitor grades and attendance through Power School.
- If your child starts to fall behind,
  - Parents will be contacted via phone call or email.
  - Students could be required to Zoom with a teacher for academic intervention or engagement support.
  - Students could be required to come into MVS for in-person sessions for academic intervention or engagement support.



# WHEN WILL MY CHILD NEED TO COME IN TO MVS?

- All students will come in for state testing.
- Students will come in for some benchmark or course assessments, based on grade level.
- Students may come in for needed academic or engagement assistance.



# WHAT TERMS WILL MY CHILD HAVE AND WHAT ABOUT THE SCHOOL CALENDAR?

- MVS will mirror the schedules of the MCS on-site schools.
  - 2-9.. Yearlong courses
  - 10-12.. Block Scheduling (4 courses each semester)
- We will follow the MCS school calendar.



# WHAT COURSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR MY CHILD?

- We are still working on the course catalog for MVS.
- It will be posted on the MVS Website very soon.
- 2-8 Specials provided, including PE, music, and art.
- 9-12 Elective Focus Areas include AP, DE, and CTE.



**Our**  
**Courses**



# WHO WILL TEACH MY CHILD?

- 2-8 students will have dedicated virtual teachers who are stationed at the MVS school building.
- 9-12 students will have more subject-specific teachers who are part-time virtual teachers.
- Note: This may be tweaked based on enrollment numbers.



# HOW WILL ATTENDANCE BE TAKEN?

- Daily attendance based on productivity, engagement, and assignments (or physical attendance if required).
- MCS and State truancy procedures and laws apply.



# WILL I BE GIVEN THE TECHNOLOGY I NEED?

- Students will be issued a laptop.
- WiFi hotspots can be requested, based on financial need.



# DOES MVS COST ANYTHING?

- There are no additional charges for the virtual school experience.
- MVS has a flat school fee of \$45 for software and other materials needed.
- Students have a \$40 user fee for laptop usage (You can pay \$20 and request a scholarship for the second half).
- Specialized and personalized elective courses may be available to students to additional fees.





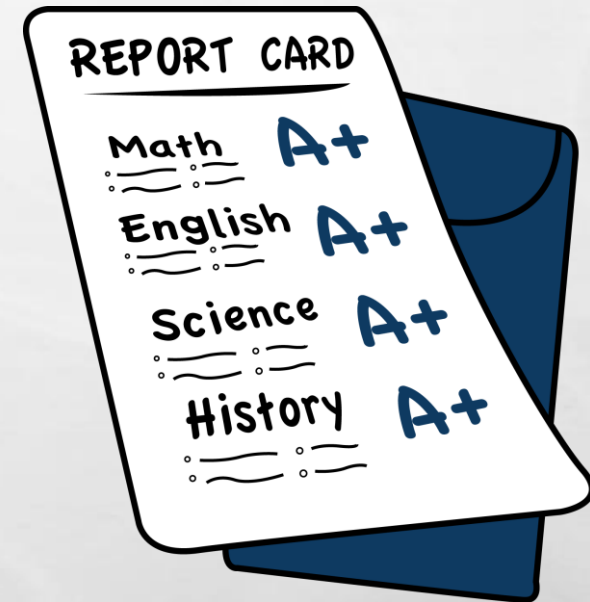
# DOES MY CHILD TAKE STATE TESTS?

- Yes, students in grades will take state mandated tests, including TCAPS, high school end of course tests, ACT, etc.
- Students also take grade level benchmark assessments through the school year.



# WILL MY CHILD GET A GRADE CARD?

- Parents can always access current student grades and attendance in Power school.
- Grade cards will be sent home each nine-weeks.



# WHAT DIPLOMA WILL CHILD RECEIVE?

- MVS students will graduate with a MVS diploma.
- In Maryville, it takes 27 credits to graduate.
- Other graduation criteria will be listed on the MCS website.



# CAN MY CHILD JOIN CLUBS AT THEIR ZONED SCHOOL?

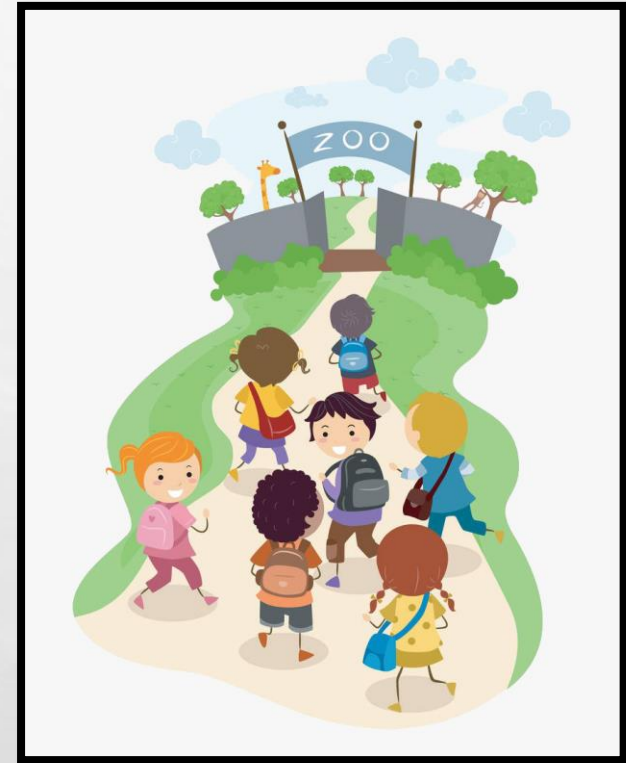
- Students can only join clubs at their current school, which will be MVS.
- Once school gets going, we will survey the students to see what clubs they are interested in having and start to build from there.





# WILL THERE BE FILED TRIPS AND EVENTS?

- Field trips will be chosen and planned by the teachers to support grade level curriculum, just like in an on-site school.
- We will have optional school events (which we also ask about in our student survey).



# CAN MY CHILD PLAY SPORTS AT MVS?

- Students can play TSSAA sports for their zoned school, **if all TSSAA criteria are met.**
- Students may be required to sit out a year if they are considered transfer students by TSSAA rules.
- Specific situations need to be emailed to Mrs. Bishop for consultation with the MHS and/or MJHS athletic directors.



# CAN I ENROLL OR WITHDRAWAL AT ANYTIME?

- Because jumping from school to school or program to program is difficult on students, we ask for a year-long commitment .
- Transfers out of MVS will require a hardship application and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- Enrollment is open now.



# HOW DO I ENROLL MY CHILD?

- **NEW STUDENTS—**

If you are ready to enroll and are not currently attending a Maryville school, please go to the MCS website and complete the new student registration process.

- **CURRENT MCS STUDENTS—**

If you are ready to enroll now and are currently enrolled in a Maryville school, please go into your school's office and ask to complete a transfer form to MVS.

- **TUITION STUDENTS—**

If you would like to apply for tuition to attend MVS, please email us at [maryville.virtual@maryville-schools.org](mailto:maryville.virtual@maryville-schools.org) to request the form.





# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Thank you very much for coming today!
- Steering committee members will be available to answer specific questions
- You may also email any questions to [maryville.virtual@maryville-schools.org](mailto:maryville.virtual@maryville-schools.org)



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND INTEREST!

Email questions to

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