



MOUNT SAVAGE NEWS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Wow! In my 38 years of education, there has never been a start like this one.

First and foremost, thank you for all you have done to support the school and more importantly, your students during this time of virtual learning. We are impressed with how engaged our students have been in the learning process and that is due to the support you give them on a daily basis.

Secondly, know that we miss your children being in our building. They are why we got into this business and not having them physically present is a difficult thing to face each day. We can't wait for their return to some form of in-person instruction!

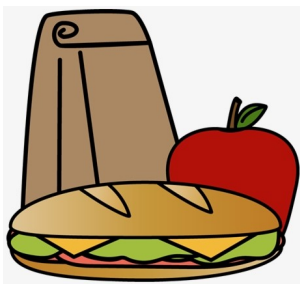
As we continue moving through the school year, information and changes will come about at a quick pace and we will do our best to keep you informed. Never hesitate to call the school if you have questions or concerns.

Have a great Fall season!

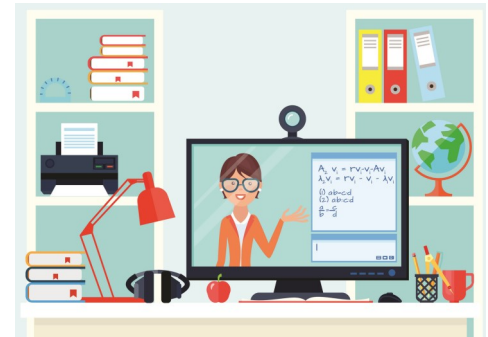
— Mr. Crump

SCHOOL LUNCH UPDATE

Allegany County Public Schools will continue to provide **FREE** meals to all children age 18 and younger through December 31, 2020, pending the availability of funding.



ACPS Food and Nutrition Services will provide "to-go" breakfast and lunch at all school locations on Monday-Friday from 12:00-1:30 p.m. Any ACPS student (or their parent/guardian) can pick up the student meals for the day at any location throughout the county. As always, ACPS encourages and highly recommends that parents and students wear masks/cloth face coverings during meal pickups.



TITLE I TIP SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAM

Mount Savage School has a School-wide Title I Program. This means that the federally funded instructional staff may work with all of the students in our school, and our school develops a School-wide Title I program designed to increase academic achievement for all students. A School-wide Program helps us to use federal funds to meet the needs of all students more effectively. Title I provides additional resources for our school:

- Instructional materials for our students.
- Professional development for teachers.
- Information about how to help children succeed in school for parents.
- Parent/Family Engagement Programs.
- Additional staffing to provide additional support for reading and math instruction.

STUDENT ILLNESS CHECKLIST

The decision aid that was provided to school systems by MSDE and the Maryland Department of Health, is available on the back of this newsletter, and is also available on the school system's website at acpsmd.org. ACPS in conjunction with the ACHD will use this decision aid to determine when a student or staff member needs to be excluded from school due to COVID-19 or possible exposure to COVID-19.

Please refer to this chart when trying to make a decision for sending your child to school, or feel free to contact the school nurse at 301-264-3220.



Decision Aid: Exclusion and Return for Laboratory Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Persons with COVID-19-like Illness in Schools, Child Care Programs, and Youth Camps

For the purposes of this decision aid, COVID-19-like illness is defined as: Any 1 of the following: cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of taste or smell, **OR At least 2 of the following:** fever of 100.4° or higher (measured or subjective), chills or shaking chills, muscle aches, sore throat, headache, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, and congestion or runny nose.

