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# VMMS FRIDAY FLYER

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## VETERANS MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

### LUNCH MENU

MON

Chicken Nuggets w/Rolls, Mashed Potatoes, ,  
Spiced Peaches, Milk Choice  
Lite Bite Served W/ Milk: Turkey Wrap  
Specialty Entree W/ Milk: Pizza Wedge

TUES

BBQ on Bun, Baked Beans, Mandarin Oranges,  
Milk Choice  
Lite Bite Served W/ Milk: Chef Salad w/ Chicken  
Specialty Entree W/ Milk: Hoagie Meal

WED

Ham Slices & MAC & Roll, Green Beans, Fresh  
Fruit, Milk Choice  
Lite Bite Served W/ Milk: Turkey Salad  
Specialty Entree W/ Milk: Pizza Wedge

### RELAY FOR LIFE!!!

Parents... Tuesday, our Relay for Life (RFL) co-captain, Jenny Carver and I attended the wrap up awards banquet for last year's RFL event. We brought back to school a "VIP Team Award" and a "Platinum Award" for raising \$10,900.00. This year our goal is to raise more money for our VMMS RFL team and to increase our staff, student, and parent participation. Normally it is a 10.00 registration fee... However, for one month ONLY, American Cancer Society RFL is waiving the fee!!!! All of us have been touched by cancer, and if you have never attended a RFL rally it is very moving. It is very simple to register; I have included a link below. It takes 3 minutes, and remember, it's only free until October 21st!!!! Thank you!!!! Tracy Fox - Relay for Life Captain.

TEAM NAME: VMMS Rangers & Crowns for a Cure

TEAM CAPTAIN: Tracy Fox

[https://secure3.convio.net/tacs/site/TRR/RelayForLife/RFLFY10SA/494889461?pg=tfnd&fr\\_id=24455](https://secure3.convio.net/tacs/site/TRR/RelayForLife/RFLFY10SA/494889461?pg=tfnd&fr_id=24455)

### BEST SELLING AUTHOR IN COLUMBUS!

Save the date! Best selling author Neal Shusterman will be at the Columbus Public Library Auditorium on Monday, October 19th at 7:00 PM!

### BOOSTER CLUB NEWS!

VMMS Athletic Booster Club is selling adult t-shirts for \$10.00 each. Sizes L - 4XL Red, Navy Blue, or White. Email [ddmccullar@aol.com](mailto:ddmccullar@aol.com) with your order. Limited supply!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

TU-  
DAY

PE Essays Due!

SAT  
26

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! - Chris Lewis

TUES  
29

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! - Steven Julien

THURS  
1

1:10 - 2:20 Passport to Manhood Meeting  
6th Grade Vision/Hearing Screening

FRI  
2

Velocity Meeting (Activity Time)  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY! - Brian Hayes

### SCHOOL PHOTOS ARE HERE!

Parents! Look for school pictures to come home soon. They have arrived & will be passed out to students in homeroom.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE VMMS ESSENTIAL 51 STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

Last week (Sept 14-18) teachers were looking for students who followed RULES 1 & 2 best. Congratulations to the following students who earned a special treat on Friday:

6-1 Olivia Potteiger

6-2 Marcus Eberhart

7-1 Cedric Dixon

7-2 Alyssa Hannah

8-1 Katie Henley

8-2 DaMarius Hood

Ms. Lowe's Team - Zachary Motycka

Ms. Burch's Team - Emily Hearn

This week (Sept 21-25) teachers were looking for students who followed RULES 3 & 4 best. Look for their names next week & encourage your student to follow RULES 5 & 6 for the next chance to win!!!

### BOY'S SOCCER NEWS

8/28/08 Veterans won 3-0 against Eddy

9/4/09 Veterans won 2-0 against Arnold

9/8/09 Veterans won 2-0 against Harris County

9/11/09 Veterans won 4-1 against Double Churches

9/15/09 Veterans lost 3-8 against St. Anne

9/18/09 Veterans won 5-0 against Richards

Veterans entered the playoffs:

9/22/09 Veterans won 3-0 against Rothschild

They played a tough game last night against Blackmon Road. We had an incredible amount of support from parents & students. Although they did not win, as you can see by their record, they are definitely winners... What a season to be proud of... WAY TO GO RANGERS!

**HOMECOMING WEEK!**

Homecoming will be the week of October 12, 2009. We are now selling t-shirts (\$10.00). A pep rally will take place on October 16th during activity time and we will tailgate after school. Teachers and parents will then escort the students to Northside for the game. If you want to purchase a t-shirt, please see Mrs. Blanton in the mornings! POC bblanton@mcsdga.net.

**NEED PARENT  
VOLUNTEERS****HOMECOMING WEEK!**

Homecoming Week is coming October 12-16!! We need parent volunteers to assist with the Tailgate on October 16th from 3:00p to 5:30p. Contact trpalmer92@aol.com if you can help!

**SCIENCE FAIR!**

It's VMMS Science Fair time again! This year all students are required to participate by doing a science fair project. Students will be able to work alone or in groups of up to three (pending teacher approval). The projected due date for projects is 20 Nov. The VMMS Science Fair will be held in the library 3-4 Dec. Winners will be selected to move on to the regional science fair at CSU. If you are interested in being a "science buddy" to help advise students in conducting experiments or would like to be a judge please contact Ms. Hedger thedger@mcsdga.net.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS**

Writing topics and instructions were handed out this week. Please touch base with your student about his/her 5 paragraph essay due on September the 25th. Essays must be printed in black or blue ink, skipping a line between sentences.

**VOLLEYBALL WILL BEGIN IN OCTOBER  
BASKETBALL WILL BEGIN IN DECEMBER  
TRACK WILL BEGIN IN MARCH**

**ATTENTION PARENTS!**

Career Education is very important to your student. VMMS tries to bring awareness to the different careers in the workforce through a program called World of Work (WOW) Friday's. WOW needs parent volunteers!!!! Please consider volunteering just ONE time for 1 1/2 hours during lunch and share your occupation with VMMS students. This informal (sit at a table) presentation is a great way to engage students about the work force and to get involved in your child's education. Right now I do not have enough parent volunteers to continue this career education program. Please, help us at VMMS to educate our students on careers. Contact tfox@mcsdga.net to sign up!

**CONGRATULATIONS SAM CARGILL!**

His mother told us that a few weeks ago Sam was elected President Elect of The Youth Advisory Board. He is the youngest Pres. Elect ever and The Ledger is running it in the next week or so. The story is that he did not plan on running, Austin Dunn nominated him from the floor, and he accepted and gave an impromptu speech winning by a landslide. His family is very proud of him & the Veterans family is proud too! Way to go Sam!

**6TH GRADE VISION & HEARING SCREENING**

On October 1st vision & hearing screenings will be conducted on all VMMS 6th graders. Students, please remember to bring your glasses to school that day. You will need them during the vision screening. Any parents who would like to help with the vision & hearing screening must participate in the training on September 22nd. Please contact rdimg@hotmail.com for more information.

**SCOLIOSIS SCREENING**

Tuesday, October 20, 2009 VMMS will participate in the annual Scoliosis Screening. Permission forms will be distributed to students in the next few weeks. If you do not wish for your child to participate in the screening, you must complete, sign and return the bottom portion of the consent form prior to the screening date.

**PTSA NEWS!**

Thank you to everyone who has already sold their raffle tickets. Please continue to sell them. We had great success with this last year and it was the only fund raiser we had to do. I would also like to thank Nicole Leonard for helping me at Sara Spano Clothing Bank yesterday. This is always a rewarding experience. If you would like to volunteer to help with this or anything else, email me @rdimg@hotmail.com. Thank-you, Diane Fausti

**SARA SPANO CLOTHING  
BANK VOLUNTEERS!**

Please email rdimg@hotmail.com if you would like to volunteer at the Sara Spano Clothing Bank on one of the following dates: December 15th, and/or December 17th.

**PTA REFLECTIONS ART PROGRAM**

All VMMS students are required to participate in the PTA Reflections contest. This program is a national arts competition sponsored by the National PTA and VMMA PTSA. This competition includes six different arts areas--visual arts, photography, music, writing, film/videography, and dance. Students can submit original works of art in as many of the divisions as they want. Each piece must be the original work of a single student inspired by this year's theme: "BEAUTY IS..." Each entry will be judged against student entries from other classes in their grade. Grade level winners will go on to compete against winners from other schools in Muscogee County School District.

WHEN: Deadline for all student entries at VMMS is Friday, October 16, 2009.

WHERE: Students should turn in artwork to their Language Arts Teacher.

HOW: Go online to georgiapta.org to download entry forms and to find a list of Rules and Guidelines. A set of rules will be posted in the school media center.

QUESTIONS? Call Mrs. Bess Kendrick-Holmes, PTA Reflections Art Program Chair, at 706-565-6735 or contact by email: besskh@juno.com.

**WE NEED MILITARY  
ITEMS FOR DISPLAY**

Veterans Memorial Middle School has dedicated a display case to military veterans. If you or someone you know has military items/memorabilia that you would be willing to loan or donate to VMMS, please reply to this email. The display case is kept locked and all items would be treated specially with care.

**COUNSELING GROUPS  
AT VMMS**

Parents, if you think your child would benefit from participating in group counseling due to the recent loss of a loved one, please email tfox@mcsdga.net, give your child's name & specify the group that you would like him/her to join.

**8TH GRADE TRIP TO SAVANNAH!**

All 8th graders are invited to sign up for the third annual Savannah, GA trip on Oct. 17th; cost is \$65 per student. See Dr. Breazeale gbreazeale@mcsdga.net or Mr. Hutson rhutson@mcsdga.net for more information.