



Public Charter High School

Warrior Weekly

September 6, 2024

Warrior Families,

Students at TMA take advantage of opportunities inside and outside the classroom. We believe these provide students with exposure to experiences that will enrich their lives and solidify the learning they have in our classes.

Last week, Calique, a 12th-grade student, modeled the importance of leaning into new opportunities. Over the last few years, we have seen Calique participate in student government, our annual Showcase, and testify before city officials about the importance of leading with students at the center of decision-making. Last Thursday, Calique took this a step further when he became a member of the DC State Board of Education as a Student Representative. We are proud of Calique but are reminded that every student at TMA is a leader, and we look forward to seeing each support our community in their own way. [You can read more about the swearing-in ceremony here.](#)

Below, you will find external opportunities from An-Bryce Foundation, Mikva Challenge DC, and OUC Junior Academy that may interest your students. We hope you will take advantage of these opportunities.

Warm regards,

Raymond Weeden
Executive Director



The SAIL program at Thurgood Marshall Academy (TMA) is income-based, ensuring it is accessible to all students. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity for your child to develop valuable leadership skills and build lifelong friendships!

Learn More About SAIL: [SAIL Program Overview](#)

Register Now: [Registration Link](#)

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Brittney Jones at bjones@anbrycefoundation.net. We look forward to welcoming your students into our dynamic and empowering community!



Mikva Challenge DC is now accepting applications for our TWO unique citywide civic engagement high school programs. These programs provide an opportunity for DC students to elevate their voice in local decision-making with other youth changemakers while earning over 50+ community service hours, going on field trips, and receiving a stipend!

The Safety and Justice Youth Council and the Citywide Student Voice Council are 8-month dynamic leadership development experiences that develop youth to be empowered, informed, and active citizens who will promote a just and equitable society. Students will create and advocate for youth-based solutions to the pressing issues that impact them, their communities, schools, the city, and the nation. These Youth Councils will research solutions to address critical problems locally through reading local and national case studies, speaking with experts, interviewing/surveying youth residents across DC, and discussing their testimonies this year. As our "year of action," our Youth Councils will be implementing these solutions.

[Safety and Justice Council Applications](#) and the [Citywide Student Voice Council Applications](#) are **DUE before September 17th, 2024**, but will continue to be accepted on a rolling basis.



[The Office of Unified Communications Junior Academy is a free-of-cost five \(5\) week program that aims to familiarize young adults with OUC career opportunities to onboard participants who have a passion for public safety and serving residents.](#)

The next cohort of the OUC Junior Academy will begin on September 19, 2024. The sessions include:

- An overview of 911 and 311 communications and call handling simulations
- A question-and-answer session with OUC leadership
- A mock CritiCall test, the national pre-employment test for 911 call takers and dispatchers
- Visits with our public safety partners at the DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department (DC Fire and EMS), Department of Forensic Sciences (DFS), DC Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (DC HSEMA), and more.
- A graduation ceremony and certificate of completion



All students are eligible for a Kids Ride Free SmarTrip Card. Please ask your dean to get on today. Enjoy free rides on Metrobus, Metrorail, & DC Circulator

Remember, current cards expire on Sept 30, 2024. So, all students must get a new card for the new year.

Keep your student's #KidsRideFree SmarTrip Card handy by adding it to Apple Wallet! Students 13+ can now enjoy more convenient, card-free trips across #DC. Whether you choose plastic or digital, the choice is yours. Learn how to add below.

[How to transfer SmartTrip Card to Apple Wallet](#)



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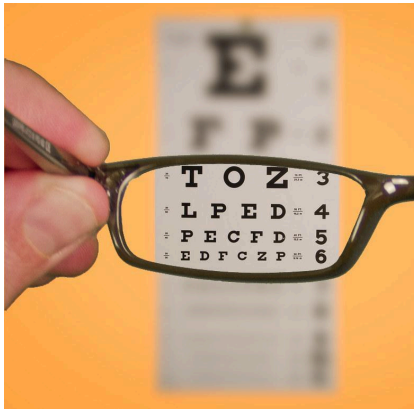
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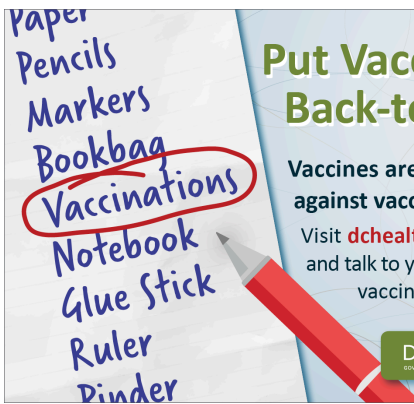
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| <p><u>School Supplies</u></p> | <p>To help ensure a smooth and organized start to the school year, we ask that students come prepared with the following supplies: They will help students stay organized and ready to learn.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1.5” or 2” - 3 ring binder ● Loose leaf paper ● 8-11 binder dividers ● Two spiral notebooks or two composition notebooks ● Pens and pencils |
|  | <p><u>New Cell Phone Policy</u></p> <p>To maintain a focused and productive learning environment, <u>we will collect cell phones from students at the start of each school day</u>. Phones will be securely stored in a locked room and returned to students at the end of the day. This policy aims to minimize distractions and encourage students to fully engage in their educational experience.</p> <p>We understand that cell phones are essential for communication and safety, and we want to assure you that students will still have access to their phones after school hours. If you need to reach your child during the day, please contact the school office or your child’s grade-level Dean, and we will ensure the message is delivered promptly.</p> <p>We appreciate your support and cooperation in creating our students' best learning environment.</p> |
| <p>2024-2025 School Calendar</p> | <p>The <u>school year calendar is linked</u>. Please note that changes may be made as needed.</p> |



Free Eye Exams

This summer, DC Public Library is teaming up with [Vision To Learn](#) to provide no-cost eye exams and, if necessary, glasses for children (Pre-K-12 grade only). Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity—[book your appointment now!](#)



Add Vaccines to your Back to School Checklist

Back-to-school season is here! Ensure families stay on track with their child's vaccinations. Parents and caregivers should collaborate with their child's medical provider to catch up on missed well-child visits and school-required vaccines. Learn how to stay on track by visiting dchealth.dc.gov/immunizations.

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