**Top 10 Things for Marley Parents/ Guardians to Know…**

1. “Students don’t care about what you know unless they know you care.” WE CARE!! We are your students’ role model, supporter, advocate, and champion for 7 hours a day, 35 hours a week, 217 hours a month, 1260 hours for the year!

2. BUT WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP! Our students are learning from all of us! Be involved, be hands on, and ask questions. Praise your student when they earn a positive referral, note or phone call home. Work with us to find solutions when there are ANY concerns. Track your student’s success OFTEN on PARENTCONNECT. Stay in the loop by following Marley Middle School on our website and social media outlets.
   a. Website & Virtual School: [https://www.aacps.org/Page/3860](https://www.aacps.org/Page/3860)
   b. X (Twitter) & Instagram: @MarleyMSAACPS
   c. Sign Up for Parent Connect: [https://www.aacps.org/parentconnectxp](https://www.aacps.org/parentconnectxp)

3. Help us teach your students the following:
   a. THINK...before you speak, post or act...
      Is it True?, Is it Helpful?, Is it Inspiring?, Is it Necessary?, Is it Kind?
   b. Manners Matter! Use POLITE words: Please, Thank you, You’re welcome, Excuse me. Greet people, look them in the eye, hold doors, help them pick up something they dropped, SMILE, LAUGH
   c. The 4 R’s of Marley: Respect, Responsibility, Ready to Learn, Re-Thinking

4. Arrival: Supervision outside begins at 9:00 am. Students begin to enter the building at 9:05 am
   Dismissal: To protect important instructional time, we ask that students are only picked up for emergencies between 3:35 pm - 3:55 pm. Bus riders dismiss at 3:55 pm. Car riders and walkers dismiss at 4:00 pm.

5. AGENDA books are provided for each student. They are required to be used during the entire year for hallway passes, recording homework, and using the resources in them. Replacement Agendas will be $5.

6. Students will carry all of their items to each class (chromebook, binder, agenda, lunch, etc.). Electronics (cell phones, earbuds, headphones), and hoods are to be kept off/ away at all times to ensure safety.

7. Student dress must comply with AACPS dress code policy. Clothing, jewelry, book bags or other articles of personal appearance must not: include depictions of profanity, vulgarity, obscenity, or violence; promote alcohol, tobacco or drugs, show underwear; show bare skin between the upper chest and mid-thigh.

8. For your student’s success, it is imperative that they are present at school every day! Students are considered chronically absent after 18 absences. Our goal is to have a 90% or more attendance rate. We need our students here with us to help them grow academically, socially and emotionally!!

9. ALL middle school students and parents need support at some point during the school year. We need to know what you need help with to assist! Please encourage your student to reach out to a counselor, administrator, or dean of students, teacher or staff member when they have any concern and we ask that you do the same! Don’t forget, students attend Mustang Minutes one time a week with EACH of their core teachers to get any extra assistance that they need!

10. Marley Middle School is FUN! Our students work hard and make good choices which results in daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly incentives. This includes earning Marley Bucks for daily outdoor recess/ lunch, social time, prizes, dances, student versus staff games and more!
1. Outdoor recess can be earned by being in good standing academically and behaviorally.

2. Staff members enjoy sharing positive news. Some examples are positive phone calls, positive referrals and/or positive postcards.

3. Students can earn daily, weekly, monthly and quarterly incentives all year long, such as dances, staff vs student games and much more!

4. We have weekly theme days on Wednesday's where you can wear superhero, college, Disney or sport team shirts.

5. We need you here! Your brain is developing and our goal is to help you grow academically, behaviorally and socially!

6. Agenda books are your passport throughout the school! Students will need it to go to the bathroom, water fountain, health room or to the office. Replacement agenda books are $5.

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8. Every week, students will have the opportunity to attend Mustang Minutes to get any help they need with EACH core class.

9. Cell phones are OFF and AWAY at all times. Communication with parents and students should occur through the main office.

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