



Dream, Believe, Achieve

March 11, 2021

LEADERSHIP

- Jennifer Wheeler participated in "Zoom the Hill" yesterday as part of the **National Legislative Action Conference**. Along with others she met with Rep. Commer and Senator Paul.
- Dana Thomas, Angie Akers, Sara Brady, and superintendent will participate in **KWEL, KY Women in Education Leadership** on March 18 and 19 sponsored by KASA.
- MCPS presented virtually through KASA monthly ***Roadmap to Return to School***, SEL (Social & Emotional Learning) journey.

TEACHING & LEARNING

- MCPS returned to full-time in person instruction on March 8th
- Classroom grant applications sponsored by MCEF (Marion County Educational Foundation) is now open
- Staff work day on March 12th to support continuous professional development
- Spring State Assessment 2021
 - K-Prep will be the last 14 days of school but much shorter
 - ACT
 - Sophomore 3/2
 - Junior 3/9
- OTUS (Student Data Platform) training for principals
- Ongoing monitoring of student progress

High Expectations

Six Big Dreams

- **Learning Begins at Birth**

- MCPS funded Dolly Parton Imagination Library: **754** active & **604** graduated

- **All Students Kindergarten Ready**

- Kindergarten 2021-2022 Registration and Screening Kindergarten
- Pre-School Enrollment

<u>School</u>	<u>3 year olds</u>	<u>4 year olds</u>
Glasscock	10	41
Lebanon	7	17
WMES	6	25
Headstart	44	60
Cornerstone	24	15
Kidz Place	9	7
Loretto Childcare	5	9
<u>St. A</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>30</u>
Total	118	204

High Expectations (continued)

- **Market-Connect-Communicate**

- The Reading Celebration
 - Elementary students met virtually with two authors, Marsha Skrypuch and Jerry Pallotta
 - Every student received a FREE book, compliments of MCPS- special thank you to the district for the Pioneer Valley Digital books!
 - This online platform provides continued guided reading activities through distance learning.
- Migrant monitoring visits with KDE (KY Department of Education) today, March 11th
- Language Line Services (Translating Service)
 - Primary teachers will receive training on 3/12 Staff Work Day
 - Every teacher and aide now have an Quick Reference Badge so they can call for translating services 24/7--365 days

High Expectations (continued)

- **Market-Connect-Communicate (continued)**

- MCPS will be hosting a SEL Week the last week of March in each school
- Implementation of Adult SEL Plan is in process this month
 - Staff activities/clubs (i.e. exercise classes, painting class, book club)
 - Maroon Heart Award Nominations and Certificate
 - Cooking classes through the Marion Co Extension Office are shared weekly
 - Flyer has been created with all available activities
 - Mental Health agencies have and continue to create short videos shared with staff (i.e. stress management, etc.)

- **Technology**

- The remote learning technology connected to our work with the Rural Utilities grant is on loan in our district. Teachers have an opportunity to experiment with the latest tools used to provide distance-learning.
- Inventory of technology has been developed in order to provide a rotation of devices

High Expectations (continued)

- **Next Generation Marion County**

- The Sixth Annual Marion County Public Schools Young Leaders Conference is set for Saturday, April 17, 2021, at Marion County High School
- WMES Academic Team are District Champs and 3rd in the Governor's Cup Regional Competition; Quick recall team went 7-0 in district and regional competition and placed 1st in district and in the region
- Mr. Hamm and Mr. Carey at MCKA are organizing a virtual science fair for Marion County students in grades 4-9. Students will complete science projects independently and upload artifacts to be judged. Registration for the virtual science fair is open for the remainder of March.

High Expectations (continued)

- **Graduate All Students Success Ready**
 - MCATC Health science students have completed their clinical rotations, both on-site and virtually, and took their state exam, State Registered Nurse Aide (SRNA/CNA) on March 3rd in Lexington. Passing this exam will place them on the State Registry for the nursing board.
 - Samuel Thompson, a senior at MCHS, has officially been recognized as a National Merit Scholar Finalist for 2021
 - Jordan Browning, a junior at MCHS, has been elected as Vice President of the Kentucky State Beta Club.
 - Several students at MCHS are applying for the KY Commissioner of Education's Student Advisory Council for the 2021-22 school year. Students selected will meet with the Commissioner of Education to discuss issues relevant to high school students.
 - Gear-up; MCHS led the region in FAFSA applications for the 2nd year in a row

COMMUNICATION

- On 4/13 we will host the first track meet in over 10 years
- Marion County Public Schools will continue its weekly student meal distribution Wednesdays at the Marion County Fairgrounds for students enrolled in Distance-Learning only
- Meals served in February:
 - 33,762 Breakfasts
 - 39,745 Lunches
 - 27,071 Snacks
- Communication with Lebanon Water Works continues for the Water Tower Project
- Weekly meetings with health department and all superintendents from the Lincoln Trail Area Health Department continues
- MCPS Employees requesting a COVID-19 vaccine received their first shot on February 3, second vaccine on March 3, 2021
- HB 208--a bill to expectations for the remainder of the school year
 - All districts must provide 80% of in-person instruction/40% of students
 - After March 29th, District will only have 5 NTI Days to utilize
 - Families who elected to participate in distance learning must provide a written request and may do so at any time for the remainder of the year.
- Days complete; 118 days of teaching & 48 learning days remain
- Last day of school is May 26