



Charging Times



A Newsletter for the Mabry Middle School Chargers
Sponsored by the Mabry Middle School PTSA

A Message from our PTSA Co-Presidents

We hope that you have enjoyed the beautiful weather days in January and February which have reminded each of us that Spring is just around the corner. With that in mind, the PTSA is busy planning to have some work done on the grounds around the school. The construction project of the past two years has left the interior of our building looking clean and new but the exterior has been left less than desirable. It would be wonderful to have the excellent work going on at Mabry reflected on the inside as well as outside. If you are a professional landscaper or you would just like to get involved with the Mabry Grounds Project, please contact one of us to discuss the details of this project.

As many of you know, we use our marquee sign everyday to advertise and inform the community of upcoming events. The current sign is in desperate need of repair. If you or someone you know is in the business of sign repair or replacement, please let us know. We are currently gathering bids.

There are a few more weeks of Winter and we hope that you will enjoy the up-coming four day weekend from February 17th through the 20th. We know that our 7th graders will be having a memorable experience on their Jekyll Island trip. The first group will go from February 20-22 and the second group will go from February 22-24. We wish them and our brave Mabry teachers who are attending a safe and fun-filled excursion.

Please continue to check the calendar at Mabryonline.org for up-dated information on events such as the Spring Book Fair, Talent Show, Lunch-n-Learn program, Academic Reception and the Mabry Film Festival. We are also proud to announce that the East Cobb County Council has chosen Mabry to host their Spring meeting and Awards banquet in April. There are still many opportunities to get involved at Mabry this year. Please feel free to contact any of your PTSA executive board members to find out how to catch "Spring Fever" at Mabry!

Becky Johnson and Kelly Dunlap
PTSA Co-Presidents



Mark your calendars!

The Spring Book Fair is coming May 8th - 12th

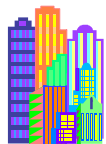
We look forward to providing you with the Summer Reading selections and other quality books from Scholastic.

More information to come as the fair date approaches.

Lisa Krzyzewski and Donna Miller, Book Fair Co-Chairs

Georgia PTA Member Benefit at the High Museum of Art Sunday, February 19th

Show your PTA membership card and receive free admission for children with paid adult admission - a \$10 value for children ages 6 to 17. (Children under 6 are always free.) You can also show your membership card and purchase a reduced Museum membership during the month of February. Individual membership is \$55 (regularly \$65), Dual and Family level is \$75 (regularly \$90). Take advantage of these special offers and enjoy a wonderful time at the Museum with your family.



8th Grade Dance Thursday, May 25th



The theme this year is “An Evening in Central Park.”

We are so excited to hold this year’s dance in the new cafeteria. The parent reception will begin the evening at 6:30 p.m. and end promptly at 7:15. Then let the fun begin! Dust off your dancing shoes, 8th graders. Lots of information will come soon!

Judy Kimball and Julie McCallister

Attention Rising 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Girls



Do You Want To Have Fun?
Do You Have Spirit?
Do You Have Energy To Spare?
Do You Want To Make New Friends?

Try out for Jr. Trojan Cheerleading!

Important Parent Informational Meeting:
March 9 at 7 pm LHS cafeteria
(optional: bring current report card and check)

Required Try Out Clinic: March 20 – 22 at LHS

Try Out Date: March 23 at LHS

If you have any questions call Julie Wright (770)321-8507



Box Tops for Education

**Thank you to everyone who participated in our
Box Tops for Education contest!**

The winning homeroom will be announced
at the end of February.

Please continue to send in your box tops, cell
phones and printer cartridges! Drop them off at
any time in the Mabry front office.

Sports-A-Rama Night was a Great Success!

Thanks to all of the Mabry students who attended our January Sports-A-Rama Night and to the parents who helped at the event. *We had a great time!* 😊

Book Drive Extended

Please drop off gently used books from previous summer reading lists and the “Dream Series” in the book donation boxes located in the Mabry Media Center. Thank you!

Announcing the Arrival of The Mabry Book Swap Shop

**Please donate the books your students have
outgrown or are ready to share with others.**

A box will be provided in each grade level for these donations. Please make sure the books you donate are appropriate for middle school students. Once the Book Swap Shop is established, all students will have the opportunity from 8:45 – 9:00 a.m. on designated days to give a book and get a book. More information to follow soon.

Ilene Abrams,
7th grade teacher and Mabry Reading Coordinator

The next Charging Times Newsletter will be sent home with report cards on Monday, March 27th.

The deadline for submitting articles for this newsletter is Friday, March 17th.
Newsletter Request Forms are available in the Mabry Middle School front office.

Mabry Middle School Calendar

Highlighted entries are calendar changes and additions since the last newsletter. *

FEBRUARY	6-17		Box Tops for Education Contest
	10		End of 4.5 week period
	13	8:30 am	PTSA Executive Board Meeting (Media Center)
	13	9:30 am	PTSA Committee Board Meeting (Media Center)
	15		Distribution of Progress Reports, <u>Charging Times</u>
	17		NO SCHOOL - Teacher Work Day
	20		NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day
	20-22		7 th Grade Jekyll Island Trip
	22-24		7 th Grade Jekyll Island Trip
	27	7:00 pm	LHS – Middle School Parent Night
	MARCH	1	
2-4			All State Chorus – Savannah
13		8:30 am	PTSA Executive Board Meeting (Media Center)
13		9:30 am	PTSA Committee Board Meeting (Media Center)
16			End of 3 rd 9 week grading period
16		5-6:30 pm	Lassiter Cluster School Council Meeting – Garrison Mill Elem.
17			Block Parties
22			Talent Show Tryouts
27			Distribution of report cards, <u>Charging Times</u>
28-30			District 12 GMEA Choral Festival
APRIL	3-7		NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK
	10	8:30 am	PTSA Executive Board Meeting (Media Center)
	10	9:30 am	PTSA Committee Board Meeting (Media Center)
	11		Academic reception for 3rd nine weeks honor roll
	11	7:00 pm	Talent Show – PTSA General Meeting – election of officers
	17-21		CRCT Testing – Grades 6, 7, 8
	21-23		District Honor Band – Cooper Middle School
	25	7:00 pm	Mabry Film Festival
	28		Distribution of progress reports, <u>Charging Times</u>
MAY	1	6:30 pm	Rising 6th Grade Parent Night
	1-5		Teacher Appreciation Week
	2	7:00 pm	7th and 8th Grade Band Concert
	4	7:00 pm	Spring Orchestra Concert
			PTSA General Meeting, Introduction of Officers
	8	9:30 am	PTSA Executive and Committee Board Year End Brunch
	8-12		Book Fair
	9	7:00 pm	6th Grade Band Concert
	11	7:00 pm	Choral Dept. “Broadway Review”
	17		7 th Grade Field Day
	18	7:00 pm	Choral Dept. Musical Production
	18		6 th Grade Field Day
	19		8 th Grade Field Day
	19		8 th Grade BBQ
	25		8 th Grade Dance
26		LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	
JUNE	1		Report cards and <u>Charging Times</u> mailed home

* Updated 2/14/06. These dates are subject to change.
Refer to www.mabryonline.org for the most current calendar dates and revisions.