A Word from Principal Morris

Welcome to 2019! We have had many successes to this school year but the new year always brings new opportunities for success. We continue to find ways to improve Mays so that it is the best school possible for our students. Benjamin E. Mays IB World School has a group of dedicated teachers who are willing to make changes so that our students are successful. As I have said before, it takes a village to raise our children. We take pride in partnering with the community to make sure we are meeting the needs of all of our students. Thank you all for supporting the students and staff of Benjamin E. Mays.

Benjamin E. Mays is a uniform school. In order to uphold the high standards we set at the beginning of the school year, we ask that everyone work together to ensure that students are in proper uniform each and every day. Students who come to school out of uniform will be asked to change into a uniform we provide at school, but must return the borrowed uniform at the end of the school day. We have a very limited supply of uniform items for students to borrow. In order to continue offering this service to all students, we need to make sure that borrowed items are returned each day. Finally, if you have uniform items that your child has grown out of, we are always looking for ways to grow our stock of extra uniforms and will gladly accept donations of used uniform items. The uniform symbolizes Benjamin E. Mays IB World School PRIDE! Let’s work together to make sure our students are in uniform each day.

FUN FACT: The sentence, “The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog,” uses every letter in the alphabet.

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE: “If you feel down, fake it until you make it big. Smile, find things you can do that make you happy. Your mood will change.”-Unknown

MLK Day

NO SCHOOL
Monday, January 21

Mays Staff Professional Development
NO SCHOOL
Friday, January 25

Needed at Mays:

- Uniform polo shirts in white or navy
- Uniform pants in khaki or navy
- Winter coats

We love to receive donations! When your child grows out of their uniform, bring it to school. We will make sure to give your old uniforms a happy home.
Mays CAFE
(Community Action & Family Engagement)
Help Us Grow!

When: Thursday, January 24, 5:30-7:30 pm
Where: Benjamin E. Mays IB World School 560 Concordia Avenue
Who: YOU!

Your voice matters! Mays CAFÉ is a time for parents, community members, administrators and teachers to plan together for our children’s future.

Light Dinner 5:30-6:00
Conversations that Matter 6:00-7:30
Childcare is available.
Transportation available upon request.
Contact Karen Shanahan at (651) 325-2492 or karen.shanahan@spps.org for more information.

Greetings from the Health Office!

Children’s Dental Services
Mays students can receive dental care at school through Children’s Dental Services. For an enrollment form, or information, contact Nurse Mahli (651) 888-7606.

PBIS News
Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports
This month, students are working hard to reach our goal of earning 15,000 PAW tickets. If students are able to reach this goal, they will be able to wear their favorite TEAM JERSEY Friday, February 1

Encourage your child to be respectful, responsible and safe to earn those PAW tickets from teachers throughout the school.

Volunteer and Visit
Mays has an open door visiting policy. We encourage parents, guardians and special adults to visit our classrooms and get to know our learning community.
For information on how to volunteer in the classroom, contact your teacher or Karen Shanahan at karen.shanahan@spps.org or (651) 325-2492.

“To Build a Learning Community for all Globally Minded Life-Long Learners”