



# EAGLE NEWS

FROM PRINCIPAL CHRISTIAN

BARACK AND MICHELLE OBAMA ACADEMY

11/16/2020



## Forever Grateful

Greetings Eagle Nation!

Can you believe that we have just **FIVE** days left before the Thanksgiving Break? Soon the Winter Holidays will be upon us and we will see the end of 2020. As I continue to reflect upon all that we have accomplished in these first 13 weeks of school, I can not say enough how grateful I am for our BaMO community and it's resilient spirit. When I chose the *Rising with Resilience* theme for this academic year, I knew that this year would bring challenges and give us lots of opportunities to live out that theme. While our instructional team has worked really hard to be consistent and provide our scholars with the BEST instructional opportunities available, we know that we could not have done it without **YOU**. YOU are the real MVPs.

To say thank you for all that you have done, we would like to invite you to join us as we celebrate **National Parent Involvement Week** on **Wednesday, November 18th @ 12:30 pm or 6:00 pm** as we honor you during our Town Hall Meeting and then again on the official **National Parent Involvement Day, Thursday, November 19, 2020** as we celebrate you during our Peoplestown Parent Pop Up. We will be driving throughout the community **between 12:30 pm and 2:30 pm**, handing out gift bags and allowing parents to spin the Big Prize Wheel. Please check your scholar's Google Classroom for stops and times.

We'll see you soon!

In Service for Scholars,  
*Principal Christian*

## Calendar Overview

**Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>** – Town Hall w/ Principal Christian 12:30pm & 6pm

**Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>** - National Parent Involvement Day Celebration - A Peoplestown Neighborhood Pop Up

**Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>** – House Huddle @ 8:15 am  
- October House Winner (Muso-ka)HOUSE PARTY @ 11:15am

**Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> -27<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving Break –  
**No School for Scholars**

**Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>** - Scholars Return to Class

BARACK AND MICHELLE OBAMA ACADEMY PRESENTS...



**NEW TIME!**

HELLO EAGLE NATION!  
JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT...

**VIRTUAL  
TOWN HALL MEETING**  
with Principal Christian

**WED, NOV. 18, 2020  
@ 12:30PM OR 6PM**

CHECK YOUR CHILD'S GOOGLE CLASSROOM FOR ZOOM LINK



## BaMO Academy SPIRIT WEEK

"5-Day Countdown"  
**NOV 16-20**

Students & Staff:  
**SHOW YOUR SPIRIT &  
Earn 5 pts. Each Day!**

**MONDAY** **Motivational Monday**  
Wear your favorite motivational t-shirt and jeans.  
Please honor APS church/state.

**TUESDAY** **Teamwork Makes The Dream Work**  
Wear matching shirts with your team.  
No BaMO shirts.

**WEDNESDAY** **WINNER WEDNESDAY**  
Wear Super Hero shirt or attire!

**THURSDAY** **BaMO TWIN DAY**  
Choose a partner and dress in twin attire.  
NO BaMO shirts. Be creative and original.

**FRIDAY** **HOUSE DAY**  
Wear your house colors and jeans.

Take pictures and post to social media using the hashtag  
**#BAM0thanks**



## RETURN+LEARN JANUARY 2021

### What you need to know

as Atlanta Public Schools prepares for a proposed January 2021 reopening.

**1**

The reopening will maintain our **three instructional models**:

- Site-Based Virtual Learning
- Face-to-Face Options
- Atlanta Virtual Academy

**2**

**Returning students will be phased-in**, bringing in elementary students first followed by secondary students over the first several weeks in January 2021 and including teacher preparation days.

**3**

Beginning in **November 2020**, APS will:

- Expand academic interventions across all schools for the neediest students.
- Offer in-person instructional support for some special education students.
- Launch an Intent to Return Declaration Form for all students to select or change their previous declaration.
- Continue to monitor APS Athletics and identify potential opportunities for APS Arts to perform/practice in-person in small groups.

**4**

Beginning in **December 2020**, APS will:

- Launch Independent Learning Days on Wednesdays in which students learn at different times of the day and work at their own pace. During this time, our teachers will have the opportunity to organize, rearrange, and prepare their rooms for the reopening of schools in January 2021.
- Modify our food distribution plans to account for Independent Learning Days and holidays.

More information and details are forthcoming regarding these activities and our reopening plan. Visit [www.atlantapublicschools.us/reopen](http://www.atlantapublicschools.us/reopen) for the latest information.

Please note: Charter and partner schools may have different plans and schedules. Parents and families with students in our charter and partner schools should engage directly with leaders and teachers at those schools.



As of November 6, 2020

### APS Nutrition Update

With APS remaining in the virtual setting, our Nutrition program will provide "Fresh-From-Scratch" seven-day weekly meal kits (seven breakfast meals and seven lunch meals) with distribution occurring each **Monday**.

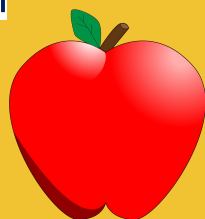
**Beginning November 9<sup>th</sup>**, the pickup times will change to **2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** from designated school bus routes or one of the **10** curbside pick-up locations. Our cluster pick up locations are below:

#### Maynard Jackson High School

801 Glenwood Ave. SE,  
Atlanta, GA 30316

#### King Middle School

545 Hill St. SE,  
Atlanta, GA 30312



## STAY IN THE KNOW

There are so many ways to stay connected to the latest information affecting your scholar's academic and personal success.

Follow us on **Facebook**, **Instagram** and **Twitter**  
**@APSBaMOAcademy**

or download the **Remind101app** and  
text **@BMOParent** to 81010.







How Many Points Has Your Scholar Earned?



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Eagles of the Week

11/9-11/13

**PreK:**

Christian Jefferson

**Kindergarten:**

LeeAsia Gates  
Jason Wheeler

**1st Grade:**

D'Asia Jones  
Jamari Thurman  
Domnique Allison

**2nd Grade:**

Demontae Palmer  
Gregory Clark  
Fredsedra York

**3rd Grade:**

Kamron Collins  
Azai-El Hardy  
Devin Rawlings

**4th Grade:**

Naven Hill  
McKenzie Reese  
Joshua Weems

**5th Grade:**

Jonia Sheffield  
Danielle Chandler  
Tyler Knight  
Landon Seays