



# NEWSLETTER

*The latest news and updates from Midfield City School District*

## No state testing

Quick reminder - we **will not** be administering state tests. The Alabama Department of Education has announced all standardized assessments are waived this school year.

## Will school resume?

YES. School will resume from **April 6th thru June 5th**, as directed by the Alabama State Dept. of Education.

While students will not return to the traditional campus setting this school year, education will continue via virtual and paper packet methods, pending student grade level. If you have not received instructions, contact your principal immediately.

## What about graduation?

We are working on a plan to make sure our high school seniors will have a graduation experience that is fitting and safe. You will receive details and instructions once they are finalized.



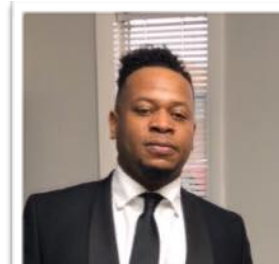
## Message from the Superintendent

Dear Midfield City Schools Family:

Students, families, friends - these last few weeks have presented challenges we have never seen before. As we hear the constant reports of how the COVID-19 health pandemic continues gaining momentum, you may find yourself fearful. Many are worried about their health, their jobs, and their futures.

But, right now, I ask you to take a moment and breathe. You are here. You are blessed to see another day. And, that is no accident.

At the beginning of the school year, Midfield City Schools chose the theme: ***"Turn your superpowers on."*** Perhaps it was no accident, because we need to draw





## Midfield City Heroes

Not all superheroes wear capes, leap tall buildings, or fly through the air. In fact, real superheroes don't do any of that. They are everyday people with hearts of gold, and their real power is in the great lengths they are willing to go to care for the children we serve.

Today, we lift up the men and women volunteering their time, energy, and resources to make sure our students are fed during this time away from school.

There are not enough "thank yous" to express my gratitude to you all.

These are people with families at home themselves. Yet, they wake up early and put together bags of nutritious and delicious meals. They make deliveries to the bus stops. And, they do it with a smile.

You know who you are. And, I want you to know what a huge difference you make.

upon our divine superpowers more now than ever before. I believe we are all blessed with inherent gifts — when used for the good, these gifts become our superpowers. Think about your favorite superhero. Whether yours is Black Panther, Spiderman, Iron Man, Wonder Woman, or Dr. Strange — at their core, they are just regular people with unique talents that they have learned to control, and use for the common good.

But, each hero inevitably faces the villain of all villains — one so powerful and puzzling it makes him question everything he has come to know as normal. Yet, in the cliffhanging moments when it appears he/she is down for the count, they are forced to make a life changing choice: whether to grow or to succumb. Heroes dig deeper, and call upon a power that reminds us all why they are the superhero uniquely equal to the task. In the end, good always prevails.



Right now, you are probably continuing to adjust as we collectively enter into a ‘new normal’ forced upon us by COVID-19: this ‘new normal’ of social/physical distancing, constant hand-washing, and extensive sanitization. You hear the news of how COVID-19, the invisible villain among us, is changing life as we know it.

While this disease is attacking thousands, and is predicted to impact millions over time, we are not down for the count. Now, is the time to draw up on your unique, divine, internal power, and to impact the world right where you are. Whether it’s singing, drawing, lifting others up, logic, organizing, or getting people to listen — your gift is needed.

Further, I pray you are doing your part to stop the rapid spread of this disease. I pray you are also using this time to take care of yourselves spiritually, mentally, and physically. Let’s pray, meditate, journal, and reflect. Let’s read books, magazines, interesting blogs, and articles. Perhaps, we can even write our own about this historic experience.

In the meantime, I pray we all stay encouraged and extend encouragement to others however we can. And, remember - your Midfield City Schools faculty, staff, and leaders are with you.

Sincerely,

*Dr. Shun Williams,*

*Superintendent - Midfield City Schools*



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## Happening this week!!!

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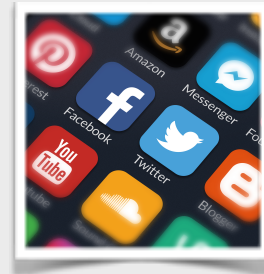




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## Complete your work

- Click here for [High School Students](#) instructional plan
- Use the [Google Classroom cheatsheet](#) as a quick reference on how to use it

## Be serious about your safety

# COVID19 Safety



### SOCIAL DISTANCE

If you must go out, be sure to keep six to ten feet between you and others.



### WASH OFTEN

Wash your hands often or use alcohol rich hand sanitizer.



### STAY HOME

The best way to protect yourself and others is to stay home as much as possible.