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Dear Parents,

Memphis Shelby County Schools has implemented the School House Adjustment Program Enterprise (S.H.A.P.E.) to provide an alternative to Juvenile Court. The intent of the program is to reduce the number of students issued a Juvenile Summons for minor infractions of the law and obtaining a juvenile record. You are receiving this notification because your child was referred to the program for one of the following charges: Assault (minor injuries), Disorderly Conduct, Criminal Trespassing, Gambling, Possession of Marijuana, Vandalism Under \$1,000.00, Theft Under \$1,000.00, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Alcohol.

This is an after-school program students will attend for four weeks (Middle School) or six weeks (High School) two times weekly) and will participate in the PEACE-ART Curriculum. It will be led by a site coordinator at your students' school. This is a voluntary program for the students; however, if the student refuses to participate, a juvenile summons will be issued for the related offense and forwarded to Juvenile Court. Upon successful completion of the program, no action will be taken by Juvenile Court for the offense.

The benefits of the program include allowing students to continue with their academic studies; monitor behavior issues while in the program; allow staff to improve student's social skills, character education and intervention as needed.

The SHAPE Program is available at all High, Middle, and K-8 Schools in MSCS. The exception to this is the program is not currently available at MSCS Alternative Schools and Charter Schools.

Please visit the website at http://www.scsk12.org/uf/shape/?Letter=S for more information or contact John Hall at 901-416-6259 or http://www.scsk12.org/uf/shape/?Letter=S for more information or contact John Hall at 901-416-6259 or http://www.scsk12.org.