

The Bold Protector

Steadfast Bravery
Mariemont Warrior Branding

May 2021

Endure
Resilient

Outlast

LESSONS FROM THE PANDEMIC



Clever

KICKING DIRT AT DAWN
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PREDATOR

Challenging

fierce

powerful

Cheetah
swift, nimble, powerful, fierce

diver

nimble

swift

disciplined
Centurion

QUADRIGA
Triumphant
- Arc de Tri
- Brandenburg

NIKE "Winged Victory"
Goddess of Fight

OLYMPUS
Thinking-Warrior "The Man of Many Ways"
POLYTRPOS ΠΟΛΥΤΡΠΟΣ
Clever. Strategic. Adaptable.
Determined.

adventurous

Strategic
Decoding
"Imitation Game"

Athena
wisdom
Clever
strategic



PHASE 2 - LOGO DEVELOPMENT

October 2020
Steering Committee establishes logo development process and timeline (and timeline for elimination of current logo)

November 2020
Identify designer

January 2021
Project Committee convenes to review co-creation session feedback and development desired logo attributes

April/May 2021
Final logo design

June 2021
Board of Education approval



November 2020
Steering Committee develops district brand story

**December 2020/
January 2021**

- Co-creation Session
- Stakeholder input

February/March 2021

- Designer creates logo prototypes
- Stakeholder feedback

May/June 2021
Branding guidelines development

June 2021 through August 2024
Logo implementation

PHASE 1 - LOGO PROCESS DEVELOPMENT

Team Members

Steering Committee	Project Team	Community Group	
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MAYNARD 85
MAYNARD 32
MAYNARD 25
MAYNARD 7

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WARRIORS



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GTeam/Weteam



New Spiritwear for the Holidays!

Order Online by Dec. 20th



SHOP IN PERSON OR ONLINE!

Check out the new sweatshirts, vests, T-shirts, fuzzy socks and more, in youth and adult sizes! Many new stocking stuffers will be available for under \$15.

Pop-up shops will be held Saturdays, Nov. 21 and Dec. 12, 11am-1pm at the MHS stadium spiritwear shop. Shop online anytime at <https://madeiramusic.com/spiritwear/shop>.



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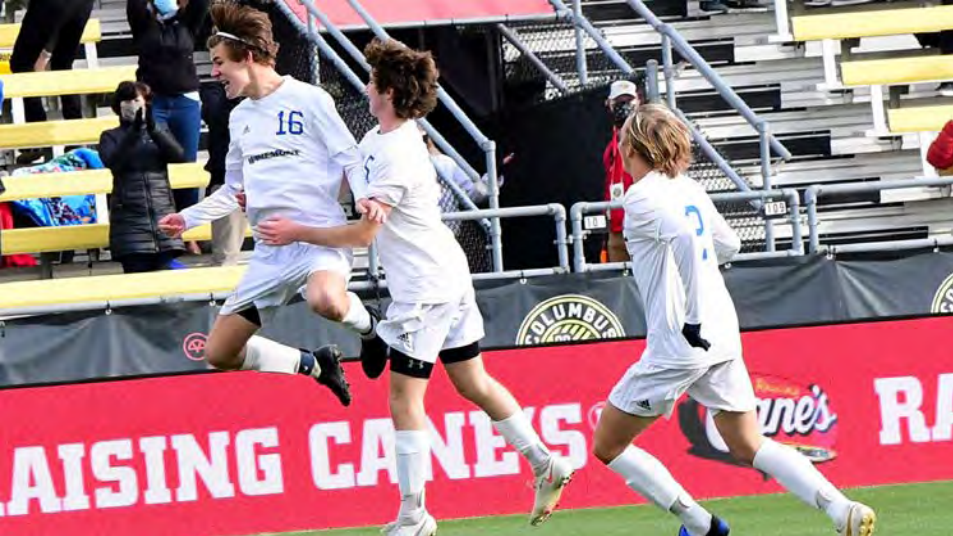
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What is a
WARRIOR?





Initial Group Concepts



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Steadfast Bravery

Iconic Grit

Heart of Bold

Multifaceted Power

Timeless Community

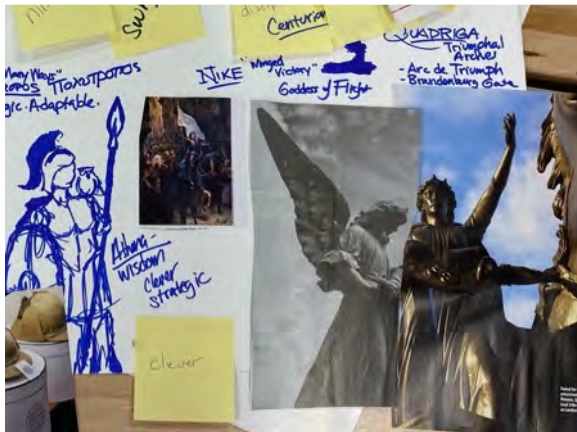
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- Strategic
- Adaptable
- Determined
- Fierce
- Driven
- Swift
- Adventurous
- Timeless

- Strong
- Fighter
- Conquering
- Gritty
- Powerful
- Tough
- Mighty
- Relentless

- Results
- Determination
- Bold
- Collaborative
- Necessary
Meanness

- Versatility
- Multifaceted
- Stronger Together
- Courage
- Tradition

- Connection
- Strong
- Distinguished
- Honorable
- Proud
- Unity
- One team
- Loyalty
- Immortal



1

Steadfast Bravery



2

Iconic Grit



3

Engaged Community

Honor • Tradition • Grit • Courage • Unity • Stronger Together

—Clever

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—Fighter

—Conquering

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- Proud
- Loyalty
- Our Landscape and River



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Iconic Grit



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~~Clover~~

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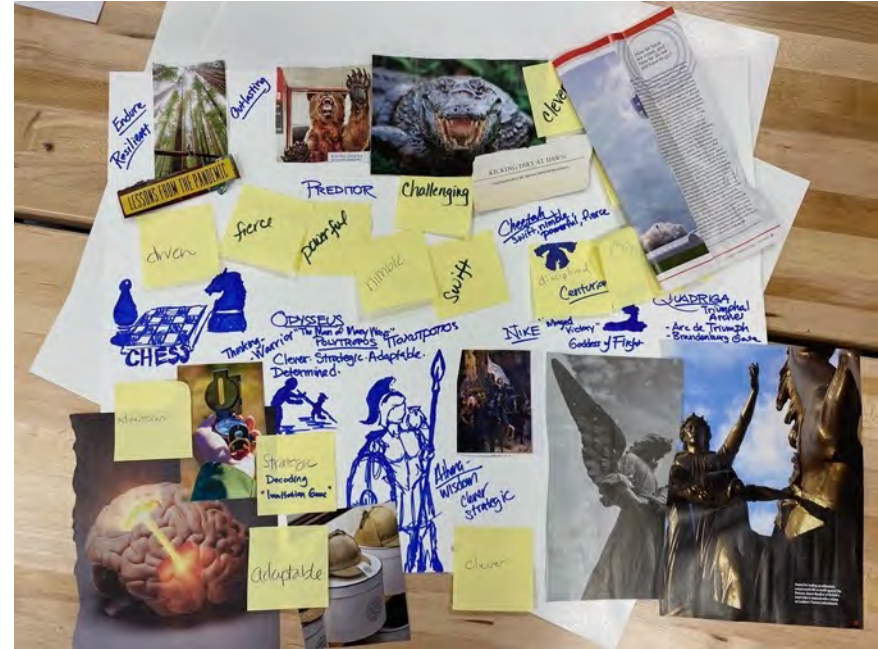
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1. Steadfast Bravery (The Bold Protector)

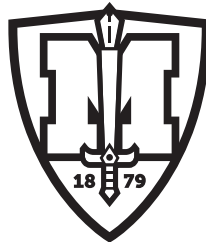
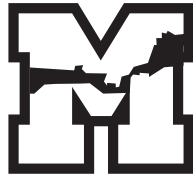
Nature, Mind and Mythology—these themes share the qualities of enduring through time, strategic thinking, adaptability and drive. Body, mind and spirit are another way to envision these ideas. Nature and mythology are concepts across cultures and times in a powerful and inspirational way.

- **Honorable**
- **Determined**
- **Courageous**
- Stronger Together
- Strategic
- Adaptable
- Fierce
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Logo Prototypes

Some Initial Ideas



Six Initial Concepts

					
<p>Centurion Helmet</p>	<p>Norse Helmet</p>	<p>Viking Chieftain</p>	<p>Tribal Monogram</p>	<p>Shield and Swords</p>	<p>Charging Lance</p>
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Community Feedback

Top 5 Most Important Design Elements

1. Maintain a blue and gold color scheme in the logo design.
2. Avoid the use of a block “M” in the logo design as it is too similar, to other schools in the area.
3. Create a logo design that is bold and dynamic.
4. Avoid the use of any Native American imagery/artifacts in the logo design.
5. Create a logo design that is a mascot/image rather than typeface/letters only.

Feedback from Key Stakeholders:

The Shield and Swords:

- The group liked the idea of the 4 neighborhoods being represented.
- They liked the strength it represented.
- The simplicity of it.
- They were concerned with it looking too similar to Moeller.
- The swords seem to overpower the image.
- The group is asking if the “M” can be changed to the M in motion.
- Can the shield be a 3D image
- Can we see it without the swords? What about the swords are now Baseball bats, lacrosse sticks, etc..
- What if the Map abstract image made it on the shield somehow?
- Can the 4 neighborhoods be more prominent?
- Can it look “edgier” - “tougher” - it’s looks geared toward younger kids.



Feedback from Key Stakeholders:

The Tribal Monogram

- The group loved how unique it is. But worried it was too abstract.
- Really liked the M and W being in a logo together.
- Could it be incorporated into another image or part of another, so it could be part of the toolbox but not THE logo?



Feedback from Key Stakeholders:

The Norse Helmet

- The group liked the idea of a helmet, but a changed image.
- No horns. Too much like vikings and NKU.
- Loved the M on the helmet.
- Can the helmet be reimagined without the horns and maybe a new look?
- Can it look “edgier” - “tougher” - it’s looks geared toward younger kids.



Revised Concepts

Helmet and Stars^A

Integrity Shield

Helmet and Stars^B

Three Revised Concepts



Helmet and Stars ^A

Forward facing, the four neighborhoods of the community are firmly behind the Warrior— both guiding the way and providing inspiration.

Logo is both dynamic and unique within the region

The helmet is always looking forward— honorable, determined and courageous



Integrity Shield

The four neighborhoods of our district meet as a shield in support and protection of the schools, while the Warrior brand character of honor, courage and determination encourages everyone to live up to their fullest potential.

Classic and traditional aesthetic

Simple and straightforward











Helmet and Stars ^B

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Eight Concepts

							
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Group Feedback

4 Concepts to 2

Four Concepts



Shield and Swords

Each corner of the protective shield represents a neighborhood in the district.

Traditional and simple



Helmet and Stars ¹

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4 Concepts to 2



Student Feedback Group	Superintendent Advisory Feedback Group	Community Survey(s)	Project Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High School Students felt strongly that we need a mascot/warrior image. They felt the shield was not a mascot and the helmet concept #4 said “warrior” the most to them. JH students were mixed on their feelings of all concepts. Both groups wanted to maintain blue and gold only and liked the diamonds more than the stars. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This group focused on revisions and suggestions for concepts #3 and #4. They liked the shape of the shield in #3 but wanted to see the shield without the words. They also preferred helmet concept #4 as it was more distinguishable as a helmet. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The community felt that #3 and #4 concepts most met the design elements and represented the descriptive words. They liked the shape of the shield in #3 more and the shape/design of the helmet in #4. They do not like the addition of the teal color and prefer the diamonds over stars. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project team felt based on the feedback they have received along with their own internal feedback that #3 and #4 are the two concepts to move forward for further consideration.

Refined Brand Identity



MARIEMONT WARRIORS

Forward facing, the four neighborhoods of the community are firmly behind the Warrior—guiding the way and providing both inspiration and support.

- Logo is both dynamic and unique within the region
- The helmet is always looking forward—honorable, determined and courageous





- Since the helmet is always looking forward there are both left facing and right facing versions.
- The M is always slanted in the same direction.
- The artwork can be simplified for differing production methods and color combinations
- The four neighborhoods may be represented as the four stars























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Warrior Weekly - March 9

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State of the Schools 2021

Welcome to the 2021 State of the Schools - what we hope will be an engaging and informative update on the Mariemont City School District.

After watching this short video, we encourage you to read the [special State of the Schools edition of The Experience Newsmagazine](#) for a more in-depth look into the themes of the 2021 State of the Schools: A Focused Vision, A Pandemic Education, Student Success, Dollars and Cents, BEyond Academics, High School Pride and Creating the Experience.

Thank you for participating in the 2021 State of the Schools! And thank you for continuing to help us create the Mariemont Experience and provide our community's children with truly remarkable opportunities!





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GRADUATE



Next Steps

Roll Out