



*Parents/Guardians of Marietta City Schools,*

*Unfortunately, this past summer Officer Sury's dog, River, passed away unexpectedly. River was Officer Sury's therapy dog that was seen with him every day throughout the school year. River quickly became familiar to our students and our staff. She will be greatly missed.*

*Officer Sury will have a new therapy dog named Phoenix, and she will start coming with him to school during the first semester. We are looking forward to meeting her and introducing her to our students and staff.*

*Please talk with your child about this situation as students will see Officer Sury without a dog for the first few weeks of school. Our students enjoyed seeing River with Officer Sury throughout the building so we appreciate your help in explaining this situation to your child.*

*Thank you as always for your help and support!*