



Manor Woods Elementary School

MWES Newsletter - Week of 9/24/2018

SAVE THE DATES

September 28, 2018

5:30-7:30 pm PTA Back-to-School Picnic - [Details Below!](#)

CALENDAR

- **September 24, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 1st Grade 12 pm
- **September 25, 2018** - MAP (ELA) testing 1st Grade 9:00 am
- **October 1, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 5th Grade 10:05 am
- **October 2, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 5th Grade 10:05 am
- **October 3, 2018** - 3-Hour Early Dismissal for Students (dismiss 12:15 pm)
- **October 3, 2018** - JA Day Volunteer Training
- **October 4, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 4th Grade 8:50 am
- **October 8, 2018** - JA Day
- **October 8, 2018** - 7:00 pm PTA Meeting
- **October 9, 2018** - Quarter 1 Interims Sent Home
- **October 9, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 2nd Grade 9:00 am
- **October 9, 2018** - MAP (ELA) testing 4th Grade 11:05 am
- **October 10, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 2nd Grade 9:00 am
- **October 11, 2018** - MAP (ELA) testing 4th Grade 11:05 am
- **October 11, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 3rd Grade 8:50 am
- **October 12, 2018** - MAP (math) testing 3rd Grade 8:50 am

A NOTE FROM MRS. DEBORD & MRS. BIALESKI:

Hello Manor Woods Community,

As we approach the month of October, I want to share our procedures for our upcoming Halloween festivities on Wednesday, October 31st. We are looking forward to a fun-filled day as our students will have the opportunity to participate in Halloween parties and games.

As most of you remember, we did not have an outdoor school-wide parade last year and we are going to continue with having an indoor only parade. We appreciate the overwhelming response we have received from our community last year, understanding that our decision was made with the safety of the children in mind. Safety continues to be of utmost importance in our school and community. We are sure the children will have a fun time with what we have planned for them!

In order to maintain a safe environment during the festivities, we will be unable to accommodate visitors within the building during the classroom celebrations. The children will be given the opportunity to share their costumes with one another during the festivities. Party volunteers will be coordinated by homeroom teachers and room parents as needed. These volunteers will be provided with a special identification tag.

Students are typically very excited about the Halloween events. When selecting a costume, please be reminded that school policy does not permit violent or gory costumes. Students may not bring toys that resemble guns, knives, swords, etc. Please also consider costumes and make-up (full face can't be covered) that students can independently assemble. Students will be unable to wear masks. Adherence to these guidelines makes preparation for the events easier and safer for everyone.

If your family does not wish to have your child(ren) participate in these events, please notify Mrs. DeBord or Mrs. Bialeski via email. Ms. Heinlein, our school counselor, will be providing a fun alternative activity for your child(ren) at school that day.

If you have any questions regarding the festivities, please contact your child's classroom

teacher or the administrative team. Thank you for your support of our procedures. We look forward to a fun-filled day!

Sincerely,

Carol DeBord, Principal

Julia Bialeski, Assistant Principal

SCHOOL NEWS

MAP ASSESSMENTS

Beginning next week, students in grades 1-5 will participate in the MAP assessment. MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) is an untimed, adaptive formative assessment that provides our teachers with detailed, specific information about where your child is performing in reading and mathematics. Our grade level teams collaborate with our Math Support Teacher and Reading Support Teacher to analyze the data from the MAP assessment and plan instruction that builds on your child's strengths and strengthens areas where there is room for improvement.

Though the assessment is untimed, students typically finish each session in approximately one hour. There are two sessions scheduled for each grade level: one for reading and one for mathematics. For more details on the scheduling of MAP for your child, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

You do not need to do anything special to prepare your child for the MAP assessment other than ensure he or she has a good breakfast and a good night's rest the night before. **We do ask that you avoid scheduling appointments on the day when your child will be assessed (dates/times listed above).** Students who are absent on the day their grade takes the assessment will be afforded the opportunity for a make up session on another date.

Parents will receive a report on their child's performance on the MAP assessment later this fall. More information about MAP, how it is scored, and how you can interpret your child's performance is available at <https://www.nwea.org/map-growth/>.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

MWES Families,

We are happy to share that we only have 5 more families who need to update their family file. We'd like to thank each of you for taking care of this task in a timely manner. Please be reminded you that "Emergency Contacts" are extremely important. For example, this week, we had a bus break down and parents came to get their children at school to take them home. For safety reasons, we cannot release your child to another parent unless that parent is listed on your Family File as one of your emergency contacts. Please be thoughtful in who you choose and be sure to update these names as needed.

JA DAY OCTOBER 8TH, 2018

[JA Flyer.pdf](#)

GT PROGRAM PARENT ACADEMY OCTOBER 17, 2018 7-8:30PM

[GTOverview10_17.pdf](#)

HCPSS G/T INTERN/MENTOR PROGRAM

The HCPSS G/T Intern/Mentor Program is currently looking for mentors for exceptional 11th and 12th grade students enrolled in the high school G/T Intern/Mentor course for the 2018-2019 school year. These students, who are passionate about a particular field of interest, will conduct college-level scholarly research and intern with professionals at their places of business for approximately 4-5 hours a week. We are looking for additional mentors in the following fields:

- Pediatrics
- Genetic research
- Business
- Finance
- Biomedical engineering
- Mechanical/electrical engineering
- Surgery
- Service animal training
- Geriatric nursing
- Plastic surgery
- Dermatology
- Women's health
- Computer programming/computer science
- Architecture
- Veterinary medicine
- Brain function research (non-clinical)
- Videography/photography
- Orthopedics
- General clinical medicine

If you or someone you know might be interested in serving as a mentor for one of our students, please contact Debbie Blum, Coordinator, HCPSS G/T Education Program, at debbie_blum@hcpss.org or 410-313-6800 or visit <https://www.hcpss.org/academics/gifted-and-talented/high-school-programs/research/> for additional information.

FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

The flu clinic is scheduled for October 15th at MWES and will take place during the school day. **Consents are due back to school by September 21st or can be completed on line.** Any questions please call the health room.

[Howard County ENGLISH Letter and Consent 2018 flu.pdf](#)

[Howard County SPANISH Letter and Consent 2018 flu.pdf](#)

STAY UP TO DATE WITH OUR WEBSITE!

Dear Families, We would like to encourage all of you to use our website frequently to stay up-to-date on the happenings at Manor Woods. Many frequently asked questions can be answered just from visiting our home page. We are working hard on our end to update information on a weekly basis, and will be adding much of our correspondence through the News portion of our site. Each week, we will upload the latest version of our newsletter, and we will archive past versions as well.

Our web address is mwes.hcpss.org

Also, please be sure to follow us on [Twitter @hcpss_mwes](#) for pictures and updates!

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

ANNUAL VIKING 5K

The 26th Annual Viking 5k and 1m Fun Walk SUNDAY Oct 7 @ 9:00 am. Join the Mt. Hebron High School community on Sunday, Oct. 7 to kick off homecoming week by running (or walking) the Hebron trail, neighborhood and stadium track! Compete for age group or MtH Awards (Alumnus, Student, Parent, Faculty and more!). New to running? We have a Novice award this year! and Bullseye Running keeping time! Proceeds benefit the efforts of the Viking Backers, supporting student clubs and athletics.

Race Information: <http://www.vikingbackers.org/viking-5k-race-details.html>

Online Registration: <https://www.athlinks.com/event/viking-5k-cross-country-race-2018-210846>

Not running this year? Please consider to volunteer some time to support this Viking tradition!

Race Committee: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44afae2fa2fa7-viking1>

Race Day: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090c44afae2fa2fa7-2018>

Feet First is providing certificates for the top male and female finishers! Clark's Ace Hardware has provided a basket, to be raffled. And there will be a special raffle for 8-13yo!

REGISTRATION (Note Online Registration closes Oct 4, with price increase on Race Day):

Race Tshirts guaranteed for the first 120 registered participants. Questions? Email: MTH.Viking5K@gmail.com Mike Bosilovich, Chairperson

COMEDY SHOW

The Mount View Middle School PTA is hosting a comedy/hypnosis show on Friday, Sept 21 at 7pm. It'll be a SUPER fun family night, hilariously funny, and great for everyone... 2 to 92. Join in the fun! Click the link below to buy tickets!!
<https://mvmspta.weebly.com/fallfundraiser.html>

COMMUNITY NEWS AND PROGRAMS

In alignment with Howard County Board of Education [Policy 10010, Distribution and Display of Materials and Announcements](#), the following announcements have been approved

by the Public Information Office for distribution. Please visit [Distributing Community Information through the School System](#) or contact the Public Information Office at 410-313-6682 if you have any questions.

The link below will take you to community notices are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.

<http://www.hcpss.org/community-news-and-programs/>

PTA NEWS

Please see the www.mwespta.org for details and additional news.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL-PICNIC is Friday, 9/28, from 5:30-7:30 at MWES!

Bring a picnic or purchase food from our 3 food trucks: Kona Ice, Pablo's Taco Truck, and Noble Pit BBQ! Tons of gluten free and vegetarian options! Sponsored by your PTA! There will be no rain date.

Restaurant Nights:

1. **Tuesday, 9/25/18 Rita's** from 3:15 PM – close

(Marriottsville location only; [2470 Longstone Lane, Marriottsville, MD](#))

2. **Thursday, 10/11/18 UNO Pizzeria and Grill**

([4470 Long Gate Pkwy, Ellicott City, MD 21043](#))

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