

# MWES News - Week of 10/14/19

## **OCTOBER**

**14** - PTA Meeting 6:30 pm

**17** - Flu Clinic

**18** - Professional Work Day - Schools closed for students

**24** - 5th Gr Field Trip to Mt. Vernon and K Field Trip to Green Meadows Farm

**25** - PTA Duck Dash

## **NOVEMBER**

**1** - 3 Hour Early Dismissal for Students (dismiss at 12:15 pm)

### **A Note From Mrs. DeBord and Mrs. Zinn**

Dear Manor Woods Families,

Halloween is coming and we will celebrate on Thursday, October 31st. Halloween has been part of the Manor Woods culture for many years, and continues to be a largely anticipated event by many of our students. We are excited to uphold tradition with a class party in which children can dress in costume, participate in an indoor parade, and have yummy snacks. If your family does not wish to have your child(ren) participate in these events, please notify Mrs. DeBord or Mrs. Zinn via email. Ms. Heinlein, our school counselor, will be providing a fun alternative activity for child(ren) that will not participate.

On this day, children should bring their costume to school in a bag. They will have allotted time to put on their costumes before the celebration begins. Please remember that masks, weapons and face-paint are not permitted. (These items can be used during their nightly Trick-or-Treating.) It is our hope that families will have the opportunity to parade around the local neighborhoods and participate with their children as they walk from house to house for treats on Halloween evening.

We'd also like to highlight the PTA's Duck Dash that is scheduled for October 25th. We would like to encourage you to sign up to assist with the PTA Duck Dash! Please reach out to Mrs. Jen Flury if you are interested in volunteering. [MWduckdash18@gmail.com](mailto:MWduckdash18@gmail.com) Other upcoming events that are supported by volunteers are the Flu Clinic, chaperoning upcoming field trips, and visiting the school during American Education Week to see your child's learning in action in November. In addition, our PTA will be seeking several volunteers to lead the planning efforts for this year's Culture Night.

If you have any questions regarding the Halloween festivities or any PTA event, please contact your child's classroom teacher, the administrative team or Mrs. Sri Tedameti, PTA President. [mwesptapres@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptapres@gmail.com) Thank you for your support of our procedures. We look forward to a fun-filled Halloween!

Sincerely,

Carol DeBord, Principal

Jennifer Zinn, Assistant Principal

### **MWES Wears Pink to Support Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

We are encouraging our staff members and students to wear pink every Thursday during the month of October. We will wear pink in honor of our family, friends, and staff members who have won the

battle against breast cancer, are fighting the fight or those that have passed away from this disease. **Think Pink Thursdays are here!!! Wear pink to show support for your loved ones.**

## **FALL 2019 MAP TESTING DATES**

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<b>Grade</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Math</b>
1	September 24	September 25
2	October 8	October 16
3	October 22 and 23	October 15 and 16
4	October 14 and 17	October 3 and 4
5	October 1 and 2	October 10 and 11

### **FOR YOUR REFERENCE**

Please keep the MWES Important Brochure handy for your reference throughout the school year.

[FAQbrochure.pdf](#)

### **REPORTING ABSENCES**

Please use the following link to report your child's absence. Your child needs a note to return to school each time they are absent. Please be sure to state the reasons for their absence.

[MWESabsences@hcpss.org](mailto:MWESabsences@hcpss.org)

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

## **FROM OUR MUSIC DEPARTMENT**

Congratulations to the following orchestra students who auditioned and were selected from hundreds of students county-wide to participate in the Howard County G/T Orchestra and Sinfonia:

**Kaylee Aung, Lea Duh, Iris Hai, Jian Kim, Ethan Lee, Grace Lee, Sophia Lee, David Liu, Rachel Park, Nathaniel Shin, Ethan Tsai, Violet Yang, and Zara Zou.**

We are so proud of your hard work and accomplishments!

## **FALL PICTURE DAY IS COMING OCTOBER 15TH!**

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## **FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICES ART COMPETITION**

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The department of Food and Nutrition Services is celebrating National School Lunch Week 2019 with an art competition. The art competition will take place during National School Lunch Week on October 14th-18th, 2019.

## **YOUNG AUTHORS' CONTEST**

Students in Grades 1-5 are invited to write a poem and/or story.

- Entries must be original work.
- Students may enter a previously unsubmitted short story and/or poem written within the previous or current school year.
- All entries must use no smaller than 12 point font in Times New Roman.
- Short story entry must range between 100-400 words (gr. 1-2) and 300-800 words (gr. 3-5).
- Poem entry will consist of a single poem, any style, and must range between 25-150 words (all grade levels).
- Entries must not include graphics.
- Save an electronic copy of the story or poem. Winners at the school level will be asked to submit the electronic copy for the county and state levels of the contest
- Each entry must include a completed cover sheet signed by the student author's parent.
- Entries due to your classroom teacher by Tuesday, November 26, 2019.

Sponsored by the State of Maryland Literacy Association.

For additional details and guidelines, contact: Mrs. Miskimins by email:

[Natalie\\_Miskimins@hcpss.org](mailto:Natalie_Miskimins@hcpss.org)

### **FROM OUR READING SPECIALIST**

Dear Manor Woods ES Families,

**We are in need of a few parent volunteers to help on a weekly basis in the MWES Book Closets.** You be volunteering to organize, label, inventory books, as well as put books away. If this is something you might be interested in and/or might be able to share your time with Manor Woods on a weekly basis for 30 or more minutes. Please email [natalie\\_miskimins@hcpss.org](mailto:natalie_miskimins@hcpss.org).

Thank you,

Natalie Miskimins

Reading Specialist

### **PTA NEWS**

**Going forward, the PTA News will be sent out on Wednesdays each week!**

#### **PTA MEETING - OCTOBER 14TH**

Our next PTA meeting will be held on Monday, October 14th at 6:30 PM. We hope to see you there!

#### **STAY CONNECTED**

Did you know the PTA has a Facebook group for our families to connect? Join [here](#) today!

Please contact PTA President Sri Tademeti at [mwesptapres@gmail.com](mailto:mwesptapres@gmail.com) should you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS FROM OUR FEEDER SCHOOLS**

Mustang Market

It's almost here! The Mustang Market - Crafts, Gifts & Food Trucks event!

Saturday, October 12th, 2019 ~ 10 am - 3 pm at MRHS

Please join us at this family-oriented market featuring 70+ artisans, crafters and home-based businesses selling a variety of items including but not limited to Tastefully Simple, kiln fused art glass, hand painted and vinyl signs, baskets, pillows, aromatherapy items, beaded spiders, wine

cork crafts and accessories, handmade beaded jewelry of tribal & Bohemian designs, beaded horseshoes and so much more!!

Food Trucks: Pablo's Toco's (authentic Mexican street food - 100% gluten free & vegetarian friendly) and V's Cheesesteak, Seafood & Wings.

Great way to kick off your holiday shopping!

For your listening enjoyment, the Marriotts Ridge High School Madrigals will be singing at this event.

Gallop on over to help support MRHS PTSA and our afterprom!

Use the link to see a current list of vendors:

[https://marriottsridgeptsa.membershiptoolkit.com/assets/02698/vendor\\_list.pdf](https://marriottsridgeptsa.membershiptoolkit.com/assets/02698/vendor_list.pdf)

## **COMMUNITY NEWS AND PROGRAMS**

**HCPSS/The Council of Elders Academy Parent Workshop Series:** This workshop session will be on Saturday, October 12 from 9:00-11:15 a.m. at Oakland Mills Middle School.

Attendees will learn more about effectively maintaining communication with their child's school.

HCPSS teachers will be on hand to show parents how to monitor students' performance by utilizing school system online resources. Additionally, families will receive strategies to help ensure successful parent-teacher conferences. This session is appropriate for parents/guardians of students at all levels. The session information and online registration link can be found here

([Links to an external site](#)).

### **Columbia Orchestra Concert**

Join the Columbia Orchestra for RUSSIAN DREAMS on Saturday, October 12th at 7:30pm at the Jim Rouse Theatre in Columbia. Baltimore Symphony Violinist Ivan Stefanovic performs Prokofiev's Violin Concerto No. 2. The program will also include Tchaikovsky's 6th Symphony, "Pathetique", and Sofia Gubaidulina's Concerto for Orchestra and Jazz Band featuring members of The Columbia Jazz Band. HCPSS students, teachers, and families will receive \$5 off each

ticket. To redeem this offer, use discount code HCPSS5 online [here](#), call the office at 410-465-8777, or mention the code at the box office the day of the concert.

### **HC DrugFree Updates for Parents/Guardians:**

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[www.hcdrugfree.org](http://www.hcdrugfree.org)

### **G/T Education Program Overview**

If you are interested in learning more about how the GT program at Manor Woods involves YOUR CHILD, join us at the GT Parent Academy Wednesday, October 16 at Long Reach High School.

Full Schedule:

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm, G/T Education Program Overview Presentation – Long Reach HS Auditorium

8:05 pm – 8:30 pm, Question and Answer Sessions:

Elementary G/T Program Offerings: Long Reach HS Auditorium

Middle G/T Program Offerings: Long Reach HS Classroom A127

High School G/T and AP Courses: Long Reach HS Classroom B115

For more information, please email [hcpssgtac@gmail.com](mailto:hcpssgtac@gmail.com) or [alyson\\_tommins@hcpss.org](mailto:alyson_tommins@hcpss.org) or call 410-313-6800.

[READ MORE](#)



## **Empowering Parents as Partners**

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### **Thrive by Five Workshop for Parents:**

Howard Co. Office of Children & Families is offering a free workshop Sat., November 16 from 8am - 1pm at the North Laurel Community Center. This workshop is for parents of young children who are interested in learning the latest science, health and behavioral information to help their children Thrive By Five. Please click the link below to view more information.

<https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn%3Aaaid%3Ascds%3AUS%3Ac4796618-7989-4974-befa-2f80127f8>

Find out what is going on within Howard County and surrounding areas. Notices are neither sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.

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### **AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES WITH HOWARD COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS**

For Complete information on these Before & After School classes, including how to Register, please go to [www.howardcountymd.gov/afterschool](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/afterschool)