

MWES News - Week of 5/31/2021

Important Dates

May 31 - Schools and Offices Closed (Memorial Day)

June 4 - **Spirit Day**: Wear Your Favorite Hat

June 9 and June 10 - K Celebrations (details in link below) rain date June 11th

June 10, 11, 14, 15 - 3-Hour Early Dismissal for Students

June 11 - **Spirit Day**: Crazy Hair Day (the CRAZIER, the better!)

June 14 - **Flag Day**: Wear **Red, White** and **Blue**

June 15 - Last Day of School

June 16 - Report Cards issued in Synergy

A Note From Our Administrators

Dear MWES Families,

Have a safe, restful, wonderful Memorial Day weekend! We will see you Tuesday!

Sincerely,

Carol DeBord, Principal

Jennifer Zinn, Assistant Principal

New Information

Summer Reading 2021 Howard County Public Library System June 1 – August 31

Summer Reading will run from June 1 - August 31, 2021 for children Ages birth - 4; Ages 5-10; Ages 11-17; and adults 18+.

Each summer the Howard County Library System's (HCLS) Summer Reading Club provides an educational bridge between the end of one school year and the beginning of the next. Children, teens, and adults are invited to participate in Summer Reading. Register and participate online at hcls.readsquared.com (Links to an external site.) or download and print a paper copy at hclibrary.org/summer (Links to an external site.) Check back throughout the summer for updates and printable pdfs in English, Chinese, Korean, and Spanish!

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Resources:

- Summer Reading Overview Promotion Video (captioned), 6 min 45 seconds <https://youtu.be/Upprna-iqTQ> (Links to an external site.)
- [\(Links to an external site.\)Individual Title Video Book Talks \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
 - Pre-recorded captioned book promotions from the 2021 Summer Reading Book lists that will motivate children and teens to keep reading and learning over the summer.
 - New videos are being added to the spreadsheet daily through the end of May
 - Each title will include a 1 minute video and a 3-5 minute video. You may choose how to mix and match.
 - Notes will include which grade levels the video is appropriate for

- The videos will also appear on the [playlist HCLS Summer Reading Challenge \(Links to an external site.\)](#) (currently on the 'Home' of their YouTube

Turn in Your Books and Bundts Tracker Sheet For a Mini-Bundt Cake!

[B&B Parent](#)

[Tracker Sheet](#)

Important Reminders From Past Newsletters

[click here](#)

Are You Moving?

If you have moved or are moving soon, please notify us as soon as possible. Please do not wait for us to find out through other means. We are available to assist you with transitioning to your child's new school. Whether it be another HCPSS school, a private school, or a school out of the HCPSS district, we are here to help. Please fill out a **Transfer/Withdrawl Notification Form** and submit it to the front office staff as soon as possible. Feel free to email the completed form to christina_shumaker@hcpss.org. **** Please fill out one form for each student.**** Once the Transfer/Withdrawal Form is submitted, a transfer packet will be emailed to you. **You will also need to return the county issued chrome book if you are moving out of county or out of state.**

[Transfer/Withdrawl Notification Form](#)

If you have an **address change**, please fill out the attached fillable Address Change Form below and email it back to us with your new deed or lease. We also require a utility bill with your new address. This way we can electronically verify your school

district and update your new address on file. If you have any questions, contact our registrar, Christie Shumaker at christina_shumaker@hcpss.org.

[Fillable Change of Address Form](#)

It is very important for us to have the most accurate information about your residency.

Kindergarten Celebrations

[click here for information](#)

Absence Email Reminder

Dear Manor Woods Parents,

Please do not send your child's absent note through Canvas. All absent notes must be emailed to MWEAbsence@hcpss.org and **include student name, date of the absence and the reason for the absence**. If this information is not included, the note will not be accepted. This email goes directly to our Attendance Secretary. You may cc: your child's teacher in the same email.

Thank you in advance for adhering to our absence reporting procedures.

2021 Summer Programs Registration is Open

Online enrollment requests for currently enrolled HCPSS students will open at 6 p.m., Monday, March 15 for BSAP Summer Institute, Gifted and Talented Summer Institutes for Talent Development, Innovative Pathways High School (Math and Science only), and STARTALK Chinese Language Summer Camp.

[Learn more](#)

Capture Your Memories in This Year's MWES Yearbook

See Yearbook Flier for more information on how you can order a yearbook. Sales continue through the remainder of the school year.

[Yearbook Flier](#)

News from Ms. Heinlein

May is Mental Health Awareness Month

In celebration of Mental Health Awareness Month, we hope you will join us for a special awareness event on **Wednesday, May 26th from 7-8:30pm** via Zoom: **"Supporting Youth and Young Adults through the Mental Health Challenges of the Pandemic and Beyond"** We are excited to welcome senior social worker, Jenna Bernstein, of Sheppard Pratt. Jenna will be sharing:

- How to recognize signs of depression and anxiety in children, adolescents, and young adults
- Strategies to encourage resilience and positive coping skills
- When and how to seek help
- Resources for parents and teens

The presentation is free but **registration is required**: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/mtgGtBNRFqP9-MGqOMtftpjMk-M>

Event Information

The past 13 months have been life altering and have presented challenges & stressors never faced before. Now more than ever it's vital to focus on the mental health & well-being of ourselves and our children. Check out the [MWES ABC Mental Health Countdown to Summer](#) calendar for fun, well-being activities that families can do together throughout the months of May and June.

If I can be of assistance to you or your child(ren), I can be reached through email [monica heinlein@hcpss.org](mailto:monica_heinlein@hcpss.org), Canvas Inbox or by phone 410-313-7165.

Community News

Marriotts Ridge Lacrosse Booster Camp

[click here](#)

High Quality, Affordable Dental Hygiene Care at HCC

[Click Here](#)

Covid Vaccine Clinics

The Health Ministry Team of Ellicott City Church will be hosting a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic on May 13th, 2021 & June 10th, 2021 from 4 PM-7 PM at 3291 St. John's Lane Ellicott City MD 21042. The Moderna vaccine, will be administered by Giant Pharmacy.

[Ellicott City Church Vaccine Flier](#)

[Sign Up Here](#)

Free Parenting Classes: HC DrugFree and the Howard County State's Attorney's Office, partnering with HCPSS and the Health Department, will once again provide evidence-based classes for families to gain skills and knowledge to reduce the risk that their children will engage in risky behaviors including using drugs. This 4-class series for parents of 9-14 year olds will be held on Zoom from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, May 4, 11 and June 1, 8. Parents/guardians must register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HCDrugFreeSpring2021> If you have questions, email Joan Webb Scornaienchi, HC DrugFree's Executive Director at Admin@hcdrugfree.org

Food Give-Aways

- Free Food Distribution every Saturday in May - [English](#) - [Spanish](#)
- The Salvation Army - Food Distribution - May 19th & June 16th - information in [English & Spanish](#)

Mobile Covid Testing Sites

[See Attached Flier](#)

In response to community requests for resources, HCPSS' new [Community News and Programs](#) website makes it easy for families to find educational and recreational resources, events and after-school programs beyond the school day by non-profit organizations.”

Community organizations requesting their announcements be shared in school newsletters should visit community-programs.hcpss.org for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at publicinfo@hcpss.org.