

MWES News Week of 9/30/19

SEPTEMBER

30 - Schools closed for staff and students Rosh Hashanah

OCTOBER

9 - Schools closed for staff and students Yom Kippur

14 - PTA Meeting 6:30 pm

18 - Professional Work Day - Schools closed for students

A note from Mrs. DeBord and Mrs. Zinn

Dear Manor Woods Families,

It's time for our MWES spirit wear sale! Please take a minute to view our on-line store to make purchases. Throughout the year, we will have spirit days where students are encouraged to wear their favorite sports team and/or their MWES school spirit wear. We want to give students the opportunity to show their Manor Woods pride by sporting their new MWES spirit wear.

Click on the link below. Be sure to look at the back of the shirts. Some have the Manny logo on the back, others do not. The store is now open and will close on OCTOBER 7th! Thank you for supporting the school!!

<https://stores.bigioeink.com/mwes>

****Orders will be delivered to school and distributed to students to bring home.****

Sincerely,

Carol DeBord, Principal

Jennifer Zinn, Assistant Principal

FALL

2019 MAP TESTING DATES

FALL 2019

Grade	Reading	Math
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

SCHOOL NEWS

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICES ART COMPETITION

[NSLW.pdf](#)

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

[YA Student Coversheet, 2019-20 MWES.docx](#)

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

RENEWING FARMS APPLICATIONS

HCPSS participates in the Free and Reduced-price Meals (FARMS) program. [Qualification](#) is based on family size and income, and enrollment is confidential.

Parents/guardians are highly encouraged to fill out the applications as soon as possible. It is very important that applications are filled out accurately and completely.

- [Apply online](#)
- Apply by mail: Paper applications are sent home with students on the first day of school. Paper applications can also be picked up in the Food and Nutrition Service Office (5451 Beaverkill Rd, Columbia, MD 21044). Applications can be returned to your child's school or mailed to: HCPSS Food & Nutrition Service Office, 10910 Clarksville Pike, Ellicott City, MD 21042.

FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

Flu vaccines coming to our school! It's not too late to sign up online! Our flu vaccine clinic at MWES will be held on October 17th, and you can go to vaccineconsent.com to sign up before

October 4. Please contact the health room at 410-313-8326 with any questions. Thank you and here's to a healthy school year!

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.

Thank you,

Natalie Miskimins

Reading Specialist

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

If you would like to volunteer in the classroom, lunch room or field trips, you must complete both trainings on the HCPSS website. One is called **child abuse and neglect training** and the other is called **parent volunteers and confidentiality training**. Once you have completed the trainings, you must submit both signed forms to the front office. Click the link below for more information.

[READ MORE](#)

PTA NEWS

JOIN THE PTA!

We'd love all Manor Woods families to join the PTA! Join before October 1st to receive a discount on membership dues. All funds raised from membership go directly toward our school! Please join today to help us reach our goal and meet last year's membership numbers. Don't forget, all membership dues are tax-deductible. You can also easily join online at our [website!](#)

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!

DUCK DASH - OCTOBER 25TH

The Duck Dash is right around the corner on October 25th! Keep an eye out for more information about our biggest fundraiser of the year. This year we'll be raising money to help purchase a much-needed sunshade for our playground! More details will be sent home soon!

BINGO NIGHT

A big thank you to all who attended our very successful first annual Bingo Night! It was great to see everyone coming together for a fun night to support our school. With your support, we look forward to hosting more events throughout the year!

ROOM PARENTS

Be on the lookout for emails from your room parent on upcoming activities!

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 should you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

COMMUNITY NEWS FROM OUR FEEDER SCHOOLS

Mustang Market

[mmmarketpdf](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS AND PROGRAMS

Empowering Parents as Partners

[IEPempowerparents.pdf](#)

Community Conversation on Restorative Justice

The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, in sponsorship with the Howard County Education Association and the Restorative Justice Partnership, will be hosting a community conversation on restorative justice. The event will take place October 7 from 6:00 pm-9:00 pm in Rouse Theater. Refreshments will be served from 6-6:30 pm.

[restorativejusticeflier.pdf](#)

Hive Market at Mary's Land Farm

When: September 27-29, 19 @ Mary's Land Farm 4979 Sheppard Lane Ellicott City, MD

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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