

Important Dates

March 15 - K-2 Hybrid Students Return to Building

March 29 - 3-5 Hybrid Students Return to Building

April 2 - April 6 - Schools Closed for Spring Break

April 14th - Qtr 3 ends 3-Hour Early Dismissal

A Note From Our Administrators

Dear Manor Woods Families,

It has been an outstanding second week back at school for some of our Manor Woods students. We recognize that the shift in schedules may have caused some anxiety for some students, but students have handled these changes with resilience and focus. We are so proud of all our students, and our Group E students have really settled into their new routine. It is so much fun hearing them in the hallways and talking with their peers in their classrooms. The success of the past two weeks is due in no small part to the commitment of our staff and the commitment from our families.

By this time, you should have received an email that shared if your child is a Group A or B group, returning in person (2 days a week). You also can check [HCPSS Connect](#) to see your child(s) A or B day assignment (if you selected the Hybrid model). Unfortunately, we are not able to make changes to these cohort assignments.

Here are some important dates coming up:

- **Monday, March 15th:** Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Gr. **Group A** students start back.
- **Thursday, March 18th:** Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd Gr. **Group B** students start back
- **Monday, March 29th:** Grades 3rd-5th Grade students in **Group A** start back
- **Thursday, April 1st:** Grades 3rd-5th Students in **Group B** start back.

We look forward to our Group A primary students (K-2) back on Monday and our Group B primary students (K-2) back on Thursday. Parents and guardians are reminded

that we cannot have any visitors in the school building. **It is also a requirement to have your student(s) Family File completed if you have not done so.**

****Parents bringing their student(s) in a car should remain in their vehicles at drop-off and pick-up.****

****Please remember to send a fully-charged chrome book with charger each day.****

If you have any questions about your child's bus route, pick up time, or bus stop, please visit the following website for more information.

<https://www.hcpss.org/schools/transportation/>

[Information PDF Click Here](#)

Link to "Manny Returns to the Building"

Video - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mZXWsEVMQqwufcLIk_bzLEXXPs6jLHWJ/view?usp=sharing

Link to MWES Virtual Tour Video

- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/18AmSDQVmqSfdczkv49EuopUzoImDTJU6/view?usp=sharing>

Thank you!
Carol DeBord
Jennifer Zinn

Elementary MAP Test Results

For students in grades 1-5 who participated in the February MAP assessment, winter 2021 MAP test results and PDF copies of student home reports are available in Synergy.

[Learn more](#)

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 MWESabsence@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.

New Information

NAMI Education Forum for Parents

The National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI) is offering a free webinar for parents: Transitioning to Hybrid Learning - Support for Student Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and Wellbeing will be held on March 16 from 7-8:30pm.

TOPICS COVERED:

Helping to prepare your child for the transition to hybrid learning
Preparing for challenges with the transition
HCPSS support available
Steps HCPSS is talking to optimize a safe return
Resources and strategies for supporting student needs

[Click here to register](#). Visit [NAMI Howard County](#) for more information.

Important Reminders From Past Newsletters

[click here](#)

New Late Arrival/Early Dismissal Procedures

Late Arrivals:

- Student and Parent/Guardian together, should come to the vestibule and ring the doorbell.
- **Only the student will be admitted into the front office to sign in late.** Parent/Guardian may not enter the building. Parents must accompany their child into the vestibule in order for your student to be marked present.

Early Dismissals:

- Parent/Guardian will come into the vestibule and ring the buzzer for early dismissals. **We ask that early dismissals are completed by 3:15 pm.**
- We will ask Parent/Guardian to hold their driver's license up to the window for staff member to see. **We are only permitted to allow contacts listed in your Family File to pick up your student.**

Parents and/or Visitors:

- Visitors are not permitted into the building at this time.

Medication Drop-Off for Our Students Returning Hybrid

If your child is returning for hybrid instruction and requires medication during the school day, please read the [Medication Procedure Information](#) and have your child's physician/prescriber complete the [Medication Form/Physician's Order](#) and/or the [EpiPen order form](#). Please remember that a parent signature is also required on these order forms. The medication and EpiPen order forms can also be found on the HCPSS Forms website: <https://www.hcpss.org/about-us/forms/>

Medication drop-off will be different this year. It will be by appointment only. You will need to either call the health room at 410-313-7165 or email health room staff

at laura_ruiz@hcpss.org or lynette_winde@hcpss.org. The times for appointments will be DAILY between 9:15am to 10:00am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm

Upon arrival at MWES, please call the health room at 410-313-7165 and a health room staff member will meet you at the double doors. Masks are required and social distancing measures will be adhered to while in the area past the double doors.

Parents/guardians will need to bring the signed order forms along with the prescribed medication in the original container that has the attached pharmacy label. Any over-the-counter medication(s) must be unopened and labeled with child's name. Please place all signed forms (it is very important for parents/guardians to sign the order forms), written authorizations, and labeled medications in a Ziploc bag labeled with child's name.

If you have any questions or problems or arrange an appointment for dropping off medication, please email Mrs. Laura Ruiz, school nurse, laura_ruiz@hcpss.org or Lynnette Winde, Health Assistant, lynette_winde@hcpss.org. Health Room phone number is 410-313-7165. Thank you.

Employment Opportunities at MWES For THIS School Year

Are you interested in working at MANOR WOODS ES as a lunch and recess monitor substitute?

Please use this link to apply <https://www.hcpss.org/employment/>

Lunch/recess monitor substitute position - These individuals supervise students at lunch and/or recess, under the supervision of MWES staff.

This position would begin on March 1st for Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays
The hours are 10:20am - 2:20pm (**Times May Vary Depending on Finalized Schedule**)
The pay rate is \$14.25/hour.

If you are interested in becoming a lunch/recess monitor substitute, please email jennifer_zinn@hcpss.org to schedule an interview.

Close adult support to some of our special education students.

- For the special ed position, you would apply through an outside agency Social Service Consultants that staffs these positions in our schools.

- The position is for 6-hours each day. \$12 per hour
- We also frequently need subs for this role, as well.
- Applications are available at [Social Services Consultants](#) Completed applications may be sent to rtrencher@gmail.com or faxed to 410-777-8657.

After School Activities

Black Student Achievement Program and The Council of Elders Workshops

BSAP Workshops:

- March 20 6:30-8:00 p.m. - BCAP CCON Webinar – Virtually Expanding Your Horizons – Jumpstart (more details to follow)WC

TCOE Workshops:

[Please click here\(Links to an external site.\)](#) for detailed flyers:

- March 13 9-10:30 a.m. – TCOE Community Academy– Suicide Prevention & Substance Abuse
- March 20 9-10:30 a.m. -Family Financial Education Series

Community News

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.

