MWES News - Week of 4-11-2022

Important Dates

April 8th - Report Cards available in Synergy after 5 pm

April 11th - 18th - Spring Break Schools Closed (return 4/19)

April 22nd - Spirit Day: Wacky Hair Day AND Duck Dash Day!!

April 27th - 3 Hour Early Dismissal for Students (dismiss at 12:15 pm)

Monday, May 2nd -will now be a Professional Learning Day - Schools Closed for Students

Tuesday, May 3rd - will now be a regular school day.

Thursday, May 12th - Rising 6th Graders Visit Middle Schools 10-11:30 am

Monday, May 30th - Schools and Offices Closed for Memorial Day

June 8th - 3 Hour Early Dismissal for Students (dismiss at 12:15 pm)

June, 9th - SCH 5th grade and Spirit Day: Dress Up Day

June 10th - Spirit Day: Hat Day

June 15th, 16th and 17th - (last day of school) - 3 Hour Early Dismissal (Dismiss at 12:15 pm)

A Note From Our Administrators

Dear MWES Parents and Guardians,

We hope you and your family have a wonderful, restful Spring Break. Schools are closed Monday, April 11th- Monday, April 18th, and will reopen on Tuesday, April 19th.

Stay safe and have fun,

Carol DeBord and Jennifer Zinn

Lost and Found

Please encourage your student(s) to look at the lost and found tables in the front lobby. We will be donating unclaimed items after Spring Break.

New Information

Trex Recycling Ends on 4/8

This is the last week for Trex recycling. All plastic must be in by this Friday 4/8 to count towards our school total. After that, please take plastic recycling to participating retailers (ie: Safeway, Harris Teeter, Food Lion).

Report Cards Available April 8

Quarter 3 report cards will be accessible via HCPSS Connect Synergy after 5 p.m., Friday, April 8. <u>Instructions for accessing report cards</u> are available online.

Important Reminders From Past Newsletters

Repeated Information Click Here

Volunteer Requirements

Volunteers and Visitors must complete both trainings (print certificate for each and bring to school during first visit or email to Christina Shumaker christina shumaker@hcpss.org)

Child Abuse Training

Child Abuse Certificate

Confidentiality Training

Confidentiality Certificate

BOWIE BAYSOX READING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Back by popular demand! "Read & Hit A Home Run" Reading Program! Read 4 books and get 2 free tickets to the Howard County Reading Night with the Bowie Baysox on Saturday, May 21, 2022 at 6:35 pm.

This reading incentive challenge will take place from April 1, 2022 to April 27, 2022. Your child will keep track of their books read with a class reading log. Books reads at home and at school count, so after your child reads a book be sure to have them tell their homeroom teacher! Tickets and specific details about the game will be shared closer to the date. If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Miskimins natalie_miskimins@hcpss.org.

Learning Together Pre-Kindergarten at Waverly ES

click here

Public Library Summer Reading Program

<u>Information about Summer Reading promotion</u> with the Howard County Library System is now available. All school librarians received this information on March 23. Please direct questions to your school librarian or to Melissa Daggett.

April 28th is National "Poem in Your Pocket Day."

On this day, students and staff are encouraged to bring in a poem from home or write a poem down and place the poem in their pocket. The students will read and share with their classmates and staff. We will be providing additional poems to grade levels for students who need a poem for that day.

Maryland Special Education Parent Involvement Survey

Parents of students receiving special education services are encouraged to complete a Maryland State Department of Education survey, which will help guide efforts to improve special education and related services. Complete and return a hard copy recently mailed from MSDE to parents, or complete the survey online at www.mdparentsurvey.com no later than May 27.

From Our School Counselors

Ms. Heinlein (grades 1, 2, 4 & 5) and Mrs. Salapata (grades K & 3) are here to support our students. If we can be of assistance to you or your child, please contact monica_heinlein@hcpss.org or christina_salapata@hcpss.org.

Upcoming Spirit Days

Before winter break, intermediate students were surveyed about their **spirit day preferences** and student leaders reviewed the responses.

Based on popular vote, student leaders identified the spirit days listed below.

Apr. 22 Wacky Hair Day

June 9 Dress Up Day

June 10 Hat Day

Essay Contest to Celebrate Ellicott City's 250th Anniversary

Click Here for Information

News From the Health Room

Updated Quarantine Isolation Procedures

Click Here

Howard County Health Department: Covid facts & testing locations

http://www.howardcountymd.gov/health/covid-19

Community News

And BINGO is our GAME-O! Friday, April 29th!

Please join us for our 1st Annual Marriotts Ridge HS Music Foundation Bingo fundraiser. It's fun for the whole family!

Doors Open at 6:30 pm ~ Bingo Starts at 7:30 pm

Ticket Price: \$30 in advance (\$35 at door). Tickets Include: 20 Regular

Games

Use this link to buy tickets or use the QR

code: https://tinyurl.com/MRHSMusicBINGO



Location:

FOP Lodge #69 2832 Nine Mile Circle Catonsville, MD 21228

Also Available...

5 Specials Games, Raffles, 50/50, Bake Sale, Concessions **PRIZES**

Kate Spade and Coach purses, Weber Grill, Libation Station, and more!

Themed Prizes: At the Car Wash, Charcuterie, Cup of Joe, Family Fun, Fire it Up, Garden Delights, Gas Me Up, Give Me a Beat, I Feel Pretty, I Love Breakfast, Sugar

Rush and MANY more!!

Use this link to see photos of some of our prizes: mrhsmusic.net

Clothing Giveaway and Food Assistance

Please see the following <u>flyers</u> (English & Spanish) for the 4th Annual Long Reach High School Spring Clothing Giveaway on Saturday, April 2nd 9:00 - 11:00 AM. Line starts at 7:00 AM.

Spring Break is coming up April 11th -18th. Please remember the Howard County Food Bank (9385 Gerwig Lane, Suite J Columbia, MD 21046 410-313-6185) for families as appropriate.

GROCERY SHOPPING HOURS:

- Tuesday -1 p.m. -4 p.m. walk ins & appointments
- Wednesday -1 p.m. -7 p.m. walk ins welcome
- Thursday -1 pm. -4 p.m. walk ins & appointments
- Saturday 9 a.m. 1 p.m. appointments required

For more information refer to the following website: https://cac-hc.org/food-assistance/.

Additional information to support Basic Needs is located on the bottom of the <u>SST</u> Resources for Students & Families Basic Needs.

After School Activities HoCo Recreation and Parks

registration information

Marriotts Ridge High School Summer Camps

registration website

Mount Hebron Summer Camps

<u>Flier</u>

registration website

HC DrugFree Updates

FREE Parenting Classes:

HC DrugFree is pleased to present another series of this popular parenting class for Howard County parents, guardians, and grandparents starting March 30. This program will meet via Zoom for 5 classes (March 30, April 6, 27, & May 4, 11) from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Adults should plan to attend all 5 sessions. The class is free, but registration is required: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ParentingClassReg For more information: Email Parenting@HCDrugFree.org, visit www.hcdrugfree.org or view downloadable flyer

Medication and Sharps Drive-thru Collection:

HC DrugFree's next drive-thru prescription and over-the-counter medication and sharps (needles, syringes and EpiPens) collection will be held on Saturday, April 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Wilde Lake Village Center parking lot in Columbia. Medication will be guarded and transported by the Howard County Police and the DEA. For more information visit www.hcdrugfree.org or email <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/stable-10.1007/stable

2022 Summer Programs Registration

Online enrollment requests for currently enrolled HCPSS students will reopen Tuesday, March 1 at 6 p.m. for the following programs:

- BSAP Summer Institute (Entering Grades K–9)
- Gifted and Talented Summer Institutes for Talent Development (Entering Grades 1–8)
- Innovative Pathways High School (Entering Grade 9 and Current Grades 9–12)
- STARTALK Chinese Language Summer Camp (Grades 3–8)

Enrollment requests for tuition-based programs can be made by a parent, guardian, school counselor or achievement liaison online via HCPSS Connect Synergy.

Sensory-Friendly Sundays @ Robinson Nature Center

Click Here for Information

Howard County Conservancy Summer Camp

Click Here for Flier

In response to community requests for resources, HCPSS' new <u>Community News and Programs</u> 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 <u>community-programs.hcpss.org</u> for more information. Questions should be directed to the Public Information Office at <u>publicinfo@hcpss.org</u>.