MAYFIELD WOODS

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From the Principal's Desk...

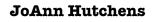
The first week of PARCC testing went extremely well even though we had three snow days last week. We finished up the 6th grade testing today and 7th grade will test Tuesday - Thursday this week. Our 8th graders will be tested next week. Students seem to do well throughout the testing session.

At this time we have used 6 inclement weather days. HCPSS had allotted 5 student inclement weather days for this year which would have made our last day June 17, 2015. We will have to wait until winter has finally come to an end to see if additional days will be added or if we will receive a waiver from the State Department of Education. State law requires students to attend school 180 days per year. Many times the local school systems apply for a waiver if the winter has been severe.

As we look forward to Spring, we start our Spring session of Bridges and the After School Program this week and our students will enjoy the PTA Spring Dance on Friday evening. Tickets for the dance will be on sale during lunch shifts, Wednesday - Friday.

Congratulations to Lily Nolan, who will be representing Mayfield Woods at the Maryland State Geography Bee on March 27, 2015 at the Community College of Baltimore. We know she will do well and we wish her luck.

Regards,





STUDENT RECOGNITION & ACTIVITIES

CITIZENS OF THE MONTH - February

6th Grade: Michael Zelinsky, Daryan Allmond 7th Grade: Lamar Parrish, Ciera Hudson 8th Grade: Julian Basena, Angelina Casserly Related Arts: Nelson Addai, Noemi Ukaegbu

Congratulations to these students for demonstrating BARK attributes: Be Safe, Act Responsibly, Respect Self and Others, and Keep Focused!

PARENTS OF CURRENT 6TH GRADERS - IMMUNIZATIONS

New state regulations require that all students entering 7th grade must have Meningitis (MCV4) and Tetanus booster (Tdap) immunizations. Please send a a signed, updated immunization report for your student to the Health Room as soon as the immunizations are received. Failure to show proof of these immunizations may result in the exclusion of your student from school at the beginning of our next school year. Please call Elizabeth Sterenberg, RN, Cluster Nurse, at 410-313-5022 with any questions.

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM PLACEMENTS

Parents who are interested in G/T placements for their child for the 2015-2016 school year need to notify Mrs. Charla Phillips in writing or by email by March 26, 2015. G/T placement consideration begins with testing. If a child does not qualify through testing, or has already been tested, a team of the child's current teachers will conduct a placement review. All placements for next year's classes will be determined by the end of April. After that, placements will be conducted at the end of the first quarter during the next school year.

CHORUS CONCERT

Our chorus did a wonderful job at their preview concert. A big thank you to Mr. Hoffmaster for bringing the best out in this talented and dedicated group of students!

HOWARD COUNTY MUSIC ASSESSMENTS

Our Orchestra and Symphonic Band will be going to their county assessments on March 16 and March 20, respectively. We wish them the best of luck!

HOWARD COUNTY MS DEBATE

The MWMS Debate team will meet with other county school teams on March 20. Go, Mayfield!!!

SCHOOL MEALS

Mar. 9 Chicken Patty/Roll, Fish Sandwich, Grilled Veggie Sandwich

Mar. 10 Spaghetti & Meat Sauce, Popcorn Chicken/Roll, Grilled Veggies on Roll

Mar. 11 Hot Dog, Chicken Nuggets/ Roll, Grilled Veggies/Roll Mar. 12 Beef Tacos, ChickenPatty/ Roll, Grilled Veggies/Roll

Mar. 13 Chicken Stir Fry/Rice, Popcorn Chicken/Roll, Deli Wrap, Grilled Veggies/Roll

Mar. 16 Baked Ziti, Chicken Nuggets/ Roll, Grilled Veggies/Roll

Mar. 17 Beef Tacos, Chicken Patty/ Roll, Grilled Veggies/Roll Mar. 18 BBQ Rib Sub, Popcorn Chicken/Roll, Grilled Veggies/Roll

Mar. 19 Hot Dog, Chicken Patty/Roll, Grilled Veggies/Roll

Mar. 20 Chicken Nuggets/Roll, Turkey Cheese BLT Wrap, Grilled Veggies/ Roll

More Information... Electronic Harassment Violation

(not part of Policy 1060)

Using a computer or portable communication device to cause another student/staff member to reasonably fear for his/her safety is prohibited. This includes engaging in conduct that would constitute sexual harassment; to disseminate data with malicious intent to psychologically torment or harass; to make any statement intended to provoke or likely provoke a third party to stalk or harass someone; building a fake profile or website: posing as someone in an electronic chat room, an electronic mail message, or an instant message; repeatedly following the student online or into an electronic chat room; posting or encouraging others to post private, personal, or sexual information pertaining to the individual on the Internet or signing up an individual for inappropriate Internet sites.

Effective July 1, 2014, Policy 9200 has been revised to reflect changes to the Code of Maryland Annotated Regulations as they relate to Student Discipline 13A. 08.01.11. Updates to Policy 9200, Student Discipline, will be applied in the implementation of this policy.

2015 Summer Classes & Camps

Summer school course catalogs and registration information is available on the HCPSS website, <u>http://</u> www.hcpss.org/summer/.

STEM - Girl Power

This Girl Power event is FREE for Middle and High School girls to explore careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), Sun, Mar. 8, 2-5 p.m., Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, 11100 Johns Hopkins Road, Laurel. Questions can be directed to aplstem@jhuapl.edu or 443-778-7836.

University of Maryland Stepping Stones to Your

Future is a coed engineering summer camp for rising 7 and 8 graders who are interested in math, science, and engineering. There are 2 Stepping Stones sessions students can choose from: Session 1 July 13-17 and Session 2 July 20-24, 2015. The application deadline is Fri., Mar. 20. Applications can be found on the Women in Engineering website, http:// www.wie.umd.edu/k12/sstyf If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email at dginnett@umd.edu or call me at 301-405-0315.

Columbia Foundation, Women's Giving Circle Summer Camp for rising

8th and 9th grade girls who will live on a college campus and learn leadership and interpersonal skills, is set for July 12-18, at Washington College in Chestertown, Md. Sponsored by the Women's Giving Circle of Howard County and operated by Maryland Leadership Workshops, Journey is accepted applications at www.mlw.org Limited financial aid is available. Deadline is Mar. 15, 2015.

Money Matters Fair

Saturday, March 14, 2015, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Long Reach High School, 6101 Old Dobbin Lane, Columbia. Free activities for the entire family will focus on such issues as living within your means, college funding options, preparing for retirement and caring for aging parents. Activities for children of all ages.

Coffee & Conversation

All are invited to meet with the Board of Education on Thursday, March 19, 2015, 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Lake Elkhorn Middle School Media Center, 6680 Cradlerock Way, in Columbia.

CALENDAR DATES

Mar. 9-11 7th - PARCC

Mar. 9 - Bridges begins

Mar. 10 Spring After School Program begins

Mar. 11-13 Dance Tickets on sale during lunches

Mar. 13 Youth Summit Field Trip

Mar. 13 PTA Spring Dance

Mar. 16-18 8th - PARCC

Mar. 19 PTA Restaurant Night @ Pasta Blitz

Mar. 20 HoCo MS Debate

Mar. 20 Symphonic Band Assessment

Mar. 23-26 Music in the Parks Field Trip Collection

Mar. 27 Schools close 3 hours early (11:45 a.m.)

Mar. 27 End of Marking Period

Mar. 30 - Apr. 6 Spring Break

Apr. 7 School Reopens

Apr. 7-10 Hoops for Heart Collection

Apr. 8 PTA Meeting

Apr. 9 & 10 Choral Adjudication @ LRHS

Apr. 14 Report Cards

Apr. 13-15 Science MSA

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

| PROGRAM | COORDINATOR & DATES |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM | MAR. 10 - MAY 7 |
| (Tues, Wed. Thurs) | Mr. Smith-Green |
| BRIDGES READING/ MATH INTERVENTION | MAR. 9 - MAY 7 |
| (Mon Thurs.) | Mrs. Starr |
| DRAMA PROGRAM (Tues & Thurs) | FEB. 3 - APR. 17 Mrs. Kuperman |

PTA NEWS

<u>mayfieldwoodspta@gmail.com</u> "Like" MWMS PTA on Facebook!

- PTA Meeting: Please join us at 7 pm in the Media Center on Wednesday, March 11.
- Restaurant Night: Join us on Thursday, March 19, at Pasta Blitz!
 Spring Dance: Friday, March 13, from 7-9 p.m. Tickets will be sold March 11-13 during lunch. Flyers are available in the Front Office. Volunteers needed. Please contact Melissa Kohler @ Melissa_Kohler@hcpss.org
- 8th Grade Parents :
 - Please contact Donna Blackwell @ 443-755-9946 or

dmblackwell3@verizon.net to help with the 8th Grade Celebration Planning Committee or the 8th Grade T-shirt project .

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Taste of Long Reach

The Long Reach High School Boosters Club is their annual fundraiser, "The Taste of Long Reach" on Friday, March 6th from 7:00pm-11:00pm at The Gathering Place in Clarksville, MD. Come join us for delicious food from our area restaurants, a great silent auction and basket raffle and DJ with dancing. Tickets are \$40 if purchased by February 27th. To purchase tickets or get more information, visit www.lrhsboosters.com .

Scouting for Food

will be held on Sat., Mar. 14. Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts will be out in your neighborhood to collect your donations, which will go to one of 25 food pantries we service in the county. A bag will be dropped off at your home a few days before. Please remember to put your donations by your front door or your mailbox by 8 a.m. on March 14. Thanks for your generous donations. scoutingforfoddnpd@verizon.n et

Columbia Art Center School's Out Spring

Break program for grades I-8. Mar. 30- Apr. 3 and Apr. 6, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., \$50 per child, drop-off begins at 7:30; art activities beginning at 9 a.m.To register, please call 410-730-0075 or email art.staff@columbiaassociation. org.