

# NEWS FROM MCPS

## **MCPS GIVE BACKpacks Campaign**

Help MCPS make sure all students are ready for the new school year by donating to the MCPS GIVE BACKpacks campaign. The GIVE BACKpacks drive was created in response to the growing need in Montgomery County to help families with the basic school supplies students need at the start of the school year. A backpack filled with school supplies costs \$10, and donors have the option to sponsor one student, a classroom, a grade level or an entire school. The backpacks will be distributed to students in need in schools at the beginning of the school year. Visit [www.mcpsgivebackpacks.org](http://www.mcpsgivebackpacks.org) to learn more or to donate.

## **Campaña "GIVE BACKpacks" de MCPS**

Ayude a MCPS a asegurarse de que todos los estudiantes estén listos para el nuevo ciclo escolar donando a la Campaña "GIVE BACKpacks" de MCPS. La campaña "GIVE BACKpacks" fue creada en respuesta a la necesidad creciente en el condado de Montgomery County de ayudar a familias con los útiles escolares básicos que los estudiantes necesitan al principio del ciclo escolar. Una mochila llena de útiles escolares cuesta \$10 y los donantes tienen la opción de patrocinar a un estudiante individual, a toda una clase, a un grado escolar, o a toda una escuela. Las mochilas se distribuirán a estudiantes necesitados al principio del ciclo escolar. Para más información o para hacer una donación, visite [www.mcpsgivebackpacks.org](http://www.mcpsgivebackpacks.org).

## **Back-to-School Fair**

Kick off the new school year at the Back-to-School Fair on Saturday, August 24, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Carver Educational Services Center, 850 Hungerford Drive in Rockville. The fair is a great way for families to learn about school system programs and services and ask questions of MCPS staff, while enjoying music, entertainment, children's activities, giveaways and much more. Mark your calendars and visit [www.mcpsbacktoschoolfair.org](http://www.mcpsbacktoschoolfair.org) for more information about the event. Please be aware that backpacks will not be distributed at the fair this year, but will be provided to selected schools for distribution to students in need. For additional information, contact the Office of Community Engagement and Partnerships at 301-279-3100. See you at the fair!

## **Feria de Regreso a Clases**

Comience el nuevo ciclo escolar asistiendo a la Feria de Regreso a Clases el día sábado, 24 de agosto, de 11:00 a.m. a 2:00 p.m., en Carver Educational Services Center, 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville. La feria es una forma estupenda para que las familias aprendan acerca de los programas y servicios del sistema escolar, y para hacer preguntas al personal de MCPS, mientras que disfrutan de música, entretenimiento, actividades para niños, regalos, y mucho más. Marque su calendario y visite [www.mcpsbacktoschoolfair.org](http://www.mcpsbacktoschoolfair.org) para recibir más información sobre el evento. Por favor tenga presente que este año las mochilas no se distribuirán durante la feria, sino que serán entregadas a escuelas específicas para ser distribuidas a los estudiantes necesitados. Para información adicional, contacte al Office of Community Engagement and Partnerships at 301-279-3100. ¡Nos vemos en la feria!

## **Strategic Planning Framework**

The Montgomery County Board of Education has adopted a new Strategic Planning Framework that will guide the work of MCPS schools and offices in the years to come. The Framework, *Building Our Future Together: Students, Staff and Community*, incorporates the three competencies that students need for success in the 21st century—academic excellence, creative problem solving, and social emotional learning—as well as a continued commitment to operational excellence. The Framework describes what students should know and be able to do in the three competency areas, as well as specific actions staff, parents, and community members, should take to support students. Parents and staff will receive information about the Strategic Planning Framework at the beginning of the school year, but can learn more now by visiting the MCPS website at [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/framework](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/framework) or search Strategic Planning Framework.

