



OPENING AUGUST 2016

CLARKSBURG-DAMASCUS MIDDLE SCHOOL #2

11701 Little Seneca Parkway, Clarksburg, MD 20871

Dr. Barbara A. Woodward, Principal

Welcome to the new Clarksburg-Damascus MS #2. Construction is underway with the much anticipated opening date in August 2016. The school will open with only 6th and 7th graders for the 2016-2017 school year. Current 5th graders at Cedar Grove and Wilson Wims Elementary Schools will comprise the first 6th grade class. Current 6th graders at Rocky Hill Middle School who live within the designated boundaries of these two elementary schools will transfer to the new school for 7th grade. The 8th grade class will be added the following school year in 2017-2018.

NEW SCHOOL UPDATE -- FEBRUARY 26, 2016

Staff Contact Information

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We have been very busy interviewing and hiring the best staff for our new school. Here are our newest staff members to join us July 1st:

- **Ms. Beth Thomas, Assistant Principal** – “I am the PROUD and EXCITED Assistant Principal of the new Clarksburg-Damascus Middle School #2. I look forward to working with Principal Dr. Woodward as we embark on this adventurous and important middle school journey of transitioning your child from elementary to high school. We are currently hiring truly dynamic and energetic staff members to join us in creating a wonderful learning environment and educational experience for your middle-schooler. I can’t wait to meet you and traverse this bridge together.”
- **Ms. Katie Shah, Math Content Specialist** – “I am so excited to be a part of the new Clarksburg-Damascus Middle School #2 as the Math Content Specialist. Middle school is such an important time for our students academically and socially. I can’t wait to be a part of your child’s middle school journey, and I am looking forward to meeting you and working with you to make this journey a memorable one.”
- **Ms. Madeline Hanington, English Content Specialist** – “I am so proud to be the English Content Specialist at the new Clarksburg-Damascus Middle School #2. I am excited to work with the students and families of the Clarksburg-Damascus community. Opening up a new school is definitely a dream come true!”
- **Mr. Michael McGough, Science Content Specialist** – “As the Science Department Content Specialist here at Clarksburg-Damascus Middle School #2, I not only will facilitate the learning for our students as they grow and develop socially and academically, but I will also help build the capacities of our science and engineering staff. I am very excited to work with such an amazing and energized group of professional staff and students!”

- **Ms. Pam Lloyd, Staff Development Teacher** – “I am thrilled to be a member of this leading learning team where we will work as a community to define who we are, what we want to be, and how we will get there. I am committed to a standard of excellence in opening a new school as a teacher leader. I look forward to the challenge and the excitement of this unique opportunity. “

Naming Advisory Committee

The Naming Advisory Committee has completed their task of reviewing the names proposed by the Board of Education and gathering community feedback for the school name. The Board of Education provided four possible names to be considered: Dr. Alan Cheung, Mr. James H. Daugherty, Dr. Michael Doran, and Dr. Paul Vance. In addition, the committee will propose to the Board of Education two additional names for the school, Hallie Wells and John Clark. The Board of Education ultimately makes the decision and will announce the name selected at the March 21st meeting. For more information on the process or conversation in the community, please consult the PTA representatives at the area schools and/or social media.

Pictures, Pictures, Pictures

Keep those pictures coming in! We would like to keep a history of the new building for future years. If you have pictures to share, please send them electronically to carol_a_petersen@mcpsmd.org

Pictures taken in December 2015



January 2016



Please check back again!