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### **ACTION REQUIRED**

### Office of School Support and Improvement MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Rockville, Maryland

### August 9, 2018

### MEMORANDUM

To: All Principals

From: Kimberly A. Statham, Deputy Superintendent

Subject: ACTION—The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy, Inc. Saturday School Fiscal Year 2018–2019

### Summary

- The beginning of this school year provides an opportunity for schools and The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy, Inc., to continue working in partnership and address the academic needs of students. Last year, 3,105 students received support through this partnership.
- The opening day and orientation for students and parents/guardians will take place on Saturday, September 15, 2018, at all Saturday School sites from 8:30–11:00 a.m.
- Students can enroll at any of the 12 Saturday School sites. **Parents/guardians can register** their child either online at www.saturdayschool.org or in person at the Saturday School site the student will attend. Registration forms for the program will be sent to schools this month. Please share these forms with parents/guardians and students who may benefit from the support provided in this program.
- There is a **one-time registration fee of \$85** (non-FARMS) and \$40 (FARMS) with no monthly tuition or additional fees to attend Saturday School. A **payment plan option** is available. Families in need of financial assistance may request in writing to the Saturday School site center director a waiver of the registration fee.
- Registration forms in English (Attachment A) and Spanish (Attachment B) and flyers (Attachment C) are attached for you to make copies.
- Another service available to secondary students is the **Saturday School/Aristotle Circle Peer Tutors (AC Peer Tutors) partnership**. This partnership provides support in mathematics, from Pre-Algebra (middle school math) through AP Calculus for middle and high school students registered in Saturday School. AC Peer Tutors matches high achieving, local high school students who are carefully screened to serve as effective tutors and role models for other students. The program is offered at all 12 Saturday School sites from 8:30–11:00 a.m. **There**

is an additional fee of \$25 for a 30-minute session (\$40 for a 60-minute session). Additional information can be found on the Saturday School website previously listed.

### Action

- Please include these registration forms and flyers in your first week take home folders.
- Include information about Saturday School in your school and principals newsletters, on your school's website, in PT(S)A, on school message boards, in Connect-ED messages, and in other correspondences.
- Refer to the attached Saturday School 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Review Process (Attachment D) on key tasks that will be helpful in promoting this intervention and support to your parents/guardians and students.

### Questions

• Contact Mrs. Khadija F. Barkley, executive director, George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy, at 301-287-8980, or via e-mail, Khadija F\_Barkley@mcpsmd.org.

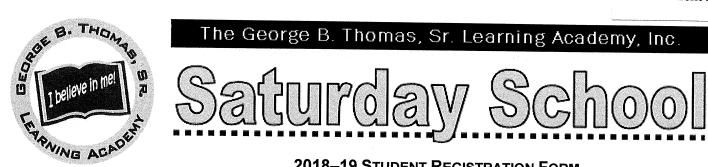
Thank you for your continued support of the Saturday School. Please continue to encourage more of your students to enroll for the second nine-week period.

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Attachments

Copy to: Executive Staff Mrs. Barkley Dr. T. Boddy Dr. Crews Mr. Neff Parent Community Coordinators Pupil Personnel Workers Resource Counselors School Administrative Secretaries Dr. Stanislaus Mr. Koutsos Mr. Lloyd

Attachment A



# 2018–19 STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

Register now for the 2018-19 school year! A registration fee of **\$40 for students receiving Free and Reduced-price Meal Services** (FARMS) and **\$85 for non-FARMS** is required in order to register. Cash, checks or money orders are accepted. You may also register online at www.saturdayschool.org.

I WOULD LIKE TO ENROLL MY CHILD IN THE SATURDAY SCHOOL CENTER AT:

MONTGOMERY BLAIR HS CLARKSBURG HS ALBERT EINSTEIN HS	GAITHERSBURG H JOHN F. KENNED NORTHWEST HS		Magruder HS Paint Branch HS Rockville HS	SPRINGBROOK HS CONTRACTOR SPRINGBROOK HS CONTRACTOR MILL HS CONTRACTOR HS
STUDENT NAME:		HOME PHONE:		
		HOME SCHOOL:		
MCPS STUDENT ID NUMBER (REQUIRED):		MALE	FEMALE	GRADE:
		DATE OF BIRTH:		
ENROLLMENT DATE:	HOMEROOM TEACH	IER/COUNSELO	R NAME:	
STUDENT RACE: (Please circle)         AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKAN NATIVE       ASIAN       WI         BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN       HISPANIC/LATINO         NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER       Two or More I		HITE Races	HAS THIS CHILD ATTENDED THE SATURDAY SCHOOL BEFORE? YES NO IF YES, FOR HOW MANY YEARS?	
PARENT NAME:		PARENT'S CELL PHONE:		
		PARENT'S WORK PHONE:		
PARENT'S E-MAIL ADDRESS:		EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER (IF DIFFERENT):		
STREET ADDRESS:		Сіту:		
STATE & ZIP:				
Please notify the Center Director if you would like our staff to know about any learning needs, medical conditions, food allergies, or 504 accommodations that are needed for your child.				
PARENTAL CONSENT				
<ul> <li>I give permission / do not give permission (circle one) to the George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy (the "Learning Academy") and Montgomery County Public Schools ("MCPS") to share information about my child as described below for program planning and to evaluate the effectiveness of the Saturday School. The Learning Academy will share the following information about your child with MCPS:</li> <li>Student name; Student ID number; Student birthdate; Saturday School site; Saturday School attendance.</li> <li>For program planning, MCPS will share the following information from your child's student record with the Learning Academy:</li> <li>Selection for honor roll, or a higher designation, and academic assessments (such as MAP-R and MAP-M scores).</li> <li>For evaluation, MCPS will match student information from the Learning Academy with grades and assessment scores from student records. MCPS will then remove all references to student name and student ID number to evaluate the impact of the Saturday School on improving students' academic outcomes.</li> <li>The results of MCPS' evaluation will be reported to the Learning Academy in summary fashion, with no individual students identified.</li> <li>The Learning Academy and MCPS will not share your child's personal information with others and will take steps to safeguard the information at all times.</li> </ul>				
I give permission / do not give permission (circle one) Learning Academy's marketing materials.	for my child to be included	in any photographs	taken or videos made c	f the Saturday School to be used in the
Parent/Guardian Signature Date				
Withholding consent does not affect your child's participation in Saturday School				
ls your family eligible for Free and Reduced-price Meals System (FARMS)? YES NO				
Can you help pay the registration fee fo	or a child who canr	not afford it?	YES NO	AMOUNT \$
TOTAL PAID BY: CASH	CHECK	1	MONEY ORDER	1

Amount

Check Number/Amount



### FORMULARIO DE PRE-INSCRIPCIÓN DE ESTUDIANTES 2018-19

Matricule a su hijo a través de www.saturdayschool.org, o en cualquiera de los centros de Escuela de Sábados. La matrícula es de \$40 para los estudiantes que reciben comida gratis o a precio reducido (FARMS\*), y de \$85 para los que no reciben este beneficio. Si fuera necesario, los padres pueden solicitar un plan de pago al momento de la matrícula. Se acepta dinero en efectivo o 'money orders' si efectúa la matricula en cualquiera de los centros. Para la matricula en línea, se acepta PayPal y las tarjetas Visa y MasterCard. Quiero Matricular A Mi Hijo/A En El:

MONTGOMERY BLAIR HS       Gaithersburg         CLARKSBURG HS       JOHN F. KENNE         ALBERT EINSTEIN HS       Northwest HS	DY HS PAINT BRANCH HS WATKINS MILL HS		
Nombre del Estudiante:	TELEFONO DE LA CASA:		
	ESCUELA LOCAL:		
NUMERO ESTUDIANTIL DE MCPS (SE REQUIRERE) (REQUIRED):	HOMBRE MUJER GRADO:		
	FECHA DE NACIMENTO:		
Nombre Del Maestro o Consejero:	¿Su hijo/a asistido a la escuela de los sabados anteriormente? Si No		
	EN CASO POSITIVO, ¿CUANTOS ANOS TIENE EL/ELLA ASISTTIENDO AL PROGRAMA?		
RAZA/ETNICIDAD: (POR FAVOR, SELECCIONE UNA:) INDIO AMERICANO O NATIVO DE ALASKA ASIATICO BLANCO	Celular de padre/Madre:		
AFRO-AMERICANO DE ALISIA ASIATICO DEANCO	TELEFONO DEL TRABAJO DE PADRE/MADRE:		
NATIVO DE HAWAI/O ISLAS DEL PACIFICO DOS O MAS RAZAS	ELEFONO DE EMERGENCIA: (SI ES DISTINTA A LOS OTROS YA ANOTADOS):		
Nombre de padre/madre:	DIRECCIÓN DE CORREO ELECTRÓNICO DE LOS PADRES:		
Direcciòn:	CIUDAD:		
Calle:	ESTADO Y CODIGO POSTAL:		
	a que nuestro personal conozca las necesidades de aprendizaje, s a los alimentos, o plan 504 de su hijo.		
	uno) a la Escuela de Aprendizaje de George B. Thomas y las Escuelas Públicas del		

Condado de Montgomery ("MCPS") para compartir la información sobre mi hijo que está a continuación, para planificación del programa y para evaluar la efectividad de la Escuela del Sábado. La Academia de Aprendizaje compartirá la siguiente información sobre su hijo con MCPS: Dombre del estudiante; Número de identificación del estudiante; Fecha de nacimiento; Escuela del sábado; Asistencia a la escuela el sábado. Para la planificación del programa, MCPS compartirá la siguiente información del expediente del estudiante de su hijo con la Academia de Aprendizaje: Delección para la lista de honor, o una designación más alta, y evaluaciones académicas (como puntajes MAP-R y MAP-M). Para la evaluación, MCPS emparejara la información de los estudiantes de la Academia de Aprendizaje con calificaciones y puntajes de evaluación de los registros de los estudiantes. MCPS luego eliminará todas las referencias al nombre del estudiante y al número de identificación del estudiante para evaluar el impacto de la Escuela del Sábado en la mejora de los resultados académicos de los estudiantes. Los resultados de la evaluación de MCPS serán reportados a la Academia de Aprendizaje de manera resumida, sin identificar a los estudiantes individuales. La Academia de Aprendizaje y MCPS no compartirán la información personal de su hijo con otras personas y

tomarán medidas para proteger la información en todo momento. Yo doy permiso / no doy permiso (marque uno) para que mi hijo / sea incluido en cualquier fotografía tomada o videos hechos de la Escuela del Sábado para ser utilizados en los materiales de marketing de la Academia de Aprendizaje.

Firma del padre / tutor \_\_\_\_

Fecha \_\_\_\_\_

La renuncia al consentimiento no afecta la participación de su hijo en la Escuela del Sábado

¿Su familia es elegible para comidas a precio reducido o gratis? SI NO ¿Usted necesita plan de pago para ayudar con el costo de matricula? SI NO ¿Puedes ayudar a pagar la cuota de inscripción para un niño que no puede pagarla? SI NO Cantidad \$\_\_\_\_\_ FEE PAID BY: CASH \_\_\_\_\_\_ CHECK \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ MONEY ORDER \_\_\_\_\_/

Attachment C

www.saturdayschool.org

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# Saturday School provides academic tutoring and instruction with certified teachers in a nurturing and supportive environment

Join the fun at

- Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.
   Breakfast is provided at 8:00 a.m. at all centers
  - For Montgomery County students in Grades 1 through 12
- Kindergarten at Paint Branch, Watkins Mill and Wheaton Centers
- Curriculum is aligned with that of Montgomery County Public Schools
  - Grades Kindergarten through 8 focus on reading, language arts and math
  - Grades 9 through 12 focus on core subjects (English and Math); support for High School Assessments; SAT/ACT support
- College and career readiness is emphasized

# **Registration is Easy!**

Register online at **www.saturdayschool.org** or at any of the 12 Saturday School centers. Registration is held on September 15, however, students may register any day that Saturday School is in session.

# SEPTEMBER 15 OPENING CEREMONIES / REGISTRATION & ORIENTATION FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS

At all Saturday School Centers from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.

A registration fee is required: \$40 for students receiving Free and Reduced -price Meal Services (FARMS) and \$85 for non-FARMS. If needed, parents may request a payment plan at registration.

For registering at the centers, cash, checks or money orders are accepted. For online registration, PayPal, Visa and MasterCard are accepted.

For more information call 301-287-8980. See Saturday School calendar online at www.saturdayschool.org

# **12 LOCATIONS**

- BLAIR HS
- CLARKSBURG HS
- EINSTEIN HS
- GAITHERSBURG HS
- KENNEDY HS
- MAGRUDER HS
- Northwest HS
- PAINT BRANCH HS
- ROCKVILLE HS
- SPRINGBROOK HS
- WATKINS MILL HS
- WHEATON HS

Transportation is provided at Blair, Clarksburg, Gaithersburg, Kennedy, Magruder, Springbrook and Wheaton Centers



# La Escuela de los Sábados proporciona tutoría e instrucción académica con maestros certificados en un ambiente estimulante y propicio

- Los sábados por la mañana, de 8:30 a 11:00 a.m.
  - Se sirve desayuno a las 8:00 a.m. en todos los centros
- Para estudiantes del Condado de Montgomery en los Grados del 1 al 12
  Kindergarten en los Centros de Paint Branch, Watkins Mill y Wheaton
- El currículum está alineado con el de Montgomery County Public Schools
  - Los grados de Kindergarten al 8 se enfocan en la lectura, artes del lenguaje y matemáticas. Los grados 9 a 12 se enfocan en materias básicas (inglés y matemáticas); apoyo para Evaluaciones de Escuela Secundaria; apoyo para las pruebas SAT/ACT
- Se enfatiza la preparación para la universidad y las carreras

### ¡La inscripción es fácil!

Inscríbase en línea en **www.saturdayschool.org** o en cualquiera de los 12 centros de la Escuela de los Sábados. La inscripción se realiza el 15 de septiembre; sin embargo, los estudiantes pueden inscribirse cualquier día que la Escuela de los Sábados esté en sesión.

### <u>15 de septiembre</u>

Ceremonias de Apertura / Inscripción y Orientación para Padres y Estudiantes

En todos los Centros de la Escuela de los Sábados, de 8:30 a 11:00 a.m.

Se exige una cuota de inscripción: \$40 para los estudiantes que reciben Servicios de Comidas Gratis o a Precio Reducido (Free and Reduced-price Meals–FARMS) y \$ 85 para estudiantes que no reciben servicios FARMS. De ser necesario, los padres pueden solicitar un plan de pago al momento de la inscripción.

Para las inscripciones en los centros, se acepta pago en efectivo, con cheque o con giro postal. Para las inscripciones en línea, se aceptan pagos con PayPal, Visa y MasterCard.

### **12 UBICACIONES**

- Blair HS
- Clarksburg HS
- Einstein HS
- Gaithersburg HS
- Kennedy HS
- Magruder HS
- Northwest HS
- Paint Branch HS
- Rockville HS
- Springbrook HS
- Watkins Mill HS
- Wheaton HS

Se ofrece transporte en los Centros de Blair, Clarksburg, Gaithersburg, Kennedy, Magruder, Springbrook y Wheaton

Para más información, llame al 301-287-8980. Vea el calendario de la Escuela de los Sábados en línea en www.saturdayschool.org



The George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy relies on principals and other school staff to help implement the Saturday School program in their cluster. The most successful Saturday School centers are in clusters where principals are actively involved with the program—from before the centers open in the fall until closing ceremonies in the spring. The activities listed below are the key tasks that the Saturday School asks principals to accomplish during the first semester. We hope that by organizing these tasks by month, it will make what is expected a little easier. Please share this with your administrative team to get them involved with the program. Thank you for your ongoing leadership and support!

### <u>July-August</u>

- Ensure that Saturday School registration materials have arrived at the school and arrangements have been made for timely distribution and mailing to parents.
- Brief the school administrative team about Saturday School and make sure everyone knows how to access information about the program.
- Provide school counselors and teachers with program information and encourage them to inform students and their parents.
- □ Include Saturday School information in the New Parent Packet and Student Registration Packet.

#### September-October

- Include information about Saturday School in the school and principal newsletters, on your school's Website, in PTA bulletins, on school message boards, in Connect Ed messages, and in other correspondences.
- Contact Saturday School Center Director from your school site during the first semester.
- Create a link to the Saturday School Website (www.saturdayschool.org) from your school's Web site.
- Assist in recruiting tutors (certified teachers) and volunteers for the program through outreach and communication activities.
- Provide newly enrolled students/parents with information about the mission and benefits of Saturday School.
- Train the main office staff in how to answer parents' questions about Saturday School or to direct them to someone who can.
- Develop and implement a process for regular communication between the Saturday School center director and key school staff, such as the AP and/or school counselor.
- Be aware of which students from your school are enrolled in Saturday School and implement strategies to increase participation of students in the program. *(Saturday School enrollment data is sent to principals monthly.)*
- Attend Saturday School Opening Ceremony at your center site and encourage your staff to attend as well.
- Provide information about Saturday School to the PTA and Parent Council to ensure that they are aware of the academic support that is available for their children.
- □ Include Saturday School as a strategy in the School Improvement Plan.
- Ensure that the school counselor and other staff members are aware that middle and high school students can receive SSL hours when they volunteer as tutors in Saturday School, and that seniors who volunteer are eligible to apply for the George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy High Achievement Scholarship.
- Ensure that the school counselor and other staff members are aware that AC Peer Tutors is an option for math support through Saturday School.
- Refer to www.saturdayschool.org to view the Principals Q&A.

### November-January

- Ensure that teachers and counselors know which students from your school are enrolled in Saturday School.
- Communicate with parents and students to remind them that Saturday School operates all year (September–May) and students can enroll at any time throughout the year.
- Review Saturday School enrollment report for your school on a regular basis and continue to identify students who would benefit from the program and encourage them to participate.