



School Notes Together We Make A Difference! Marinda Thomas Evans, Principal

The Buzz About Bullying



October is National Bullying Prevention Month. As part of the MCPS K-5 Health and Safety Counseling Standards, students discuss bullying and what they can do about it. Students identify examples of bully behavior, how it feels to be bullied, and what to do if they experience or witness bully behavior. The goal is to encourage students to understand how important bystanders can be in ending bully behavior. Not only have they been fully engaged in the lesson, but they all have pledged (as kids against bullying) to **SPEAK UP, REACH OUT, and BE A FRIEND.**

If you would like to ex-

plore more information about bullying with your children, please feel free to visit www.pacerkidsagainstabullying.org.



NHE ES is a peaceful and friendly learning environment where bullying, harassment, or intimidation will not be tolerated. When an issue arises, the administration investigates since there is a difference between age-

related behaviors and bullying. Parent reporting forms can be found on the NHE website and available from the office.

All students, parents, or staff members are encouraged to report any act of bullying, harassment or intimidation. This can be done by calling the teacher, secretary, Mrs. Evans, principal; Ms. Rex, assistant principal; or the guidance counselor. Please give the completed form to an administrator.

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/forms/230-35.shtml>

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☺ **September 28 Half Day Dismissal at 12:30 p.m.**



☺ **September 29 —NO SCHOOL**

☺ **October 10—morning visitations by families**



☺ **October 21—NO SCHOOL**

☺ **October 28—Student Pictures**



RETURN



FARMS FORMS

(Free and Reduced Meals Applications)

VERY IMPORTANT

Yellow Form

Parent Child Reunification Form (Document of Consent)



NHE Staff is Highly Qualified!

Our school is fortunate to receive supplemental funding through Title I, a federal grant program for schools that serve communities with students who have high economic needs. The federal legislation that establishes Title I regulations is known as the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* (NCLB). The NCLB requires Montgomery County Public Schools to inform you that you have the right to request information about the professional certification qualifications of your child's teacher, long-term substitute teacher, or paraeducator (formerly titled instructional assistant).

If you wish to request certification information about your child's teacher, paraeducator, or long-term substitute teacher, please submit a written request to Ms. Evans, principal. Your written inquiry may include information about the following qualifications: about Title I, NCLB, highly qualified staff highly qualified staff, will be addressed at the NHE/OV Parent Coffees on Tuesday mornings at 8:30 a.m. In addition, Sue Ginsberg, our Title I instructional specialist will present additional information on what it means to be a Title I school in Montgomery County for the PTA later in the school year. Please contact us if you have any questions.

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Come Out and Meet Our New Superintendent, Dr. Joshua Starr!

On Monday, September 19, Montgomery County's new Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Joshua Starr, will be holding a "Listen and Learn" event from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Albert Einstein High School, 11135 Newport Mill Road, Kensington. This event is an opportunity for parents and community members to meet Dr. Starr and to offer their views and perspective on what is working well in MCPS and what the school system can do to improve.

Dr. Starr has a keen interest in hearing directly from parents as he sets his priorities for the school system. This is also an opportunity for parents to learn more about his educational philosophy and leadership style.

I encourage all of you to attend the upcoming "Listen and Learn" event. Childcare and interpretation services will be provided. If you are not able to attend the event on September 19, Dr. Starr will be holding additional meetings throughout the fall. Times and locations are available on the MCPS website at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org.
