

Dr. Worthington's Message

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If you didn't get a chance to fill out the **feedback form** from **Back-to-School Night** or were not able to attend Back-to-School night, please take a minute to provide us feedback and/or information. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdKSgZ6jg6vDzx2D5eYmfZrLhmCv1IV3PBYTQD3ukYxlCmlSg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Join us for **Baker's Open House Day** on **Tuesday, October 10**, from **8:15 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.** Follow your child through their daily schedule. Coffee & Conversation will be held 9:45-10:45 a.m. A Spanish translator will be on hand 8:15-10:45 a.m. Please see pages 3-5 for more information.

Baker Career Day

The Baker Middle School Annual Career Day which was held on Friday, September 22, was a huge success! It was the perfect introduction as our 8th graders prepare for high school and in turn will aid them in post high school career and/or college planning. Baker students, staff and administration would like to take this opportunity to **THANK** everyone involved in creating such a wonderful event. We would especially like to thank all our presenters for taking the time out of their busy schedules to share their knowledge and experiences with our students.

Many thanks to our Baker PTA and Weis Market for providing lunch for our esteemed presenters and 8th Grade Staff. We really appreciate it!

Thanks also to several of our Damascus High School Students who volunteered to come to Baker to talk to our 8th graders about high school. They did a fabulous job!

We look forward to doing it all again next year!

SGA Canned Food Drive

The Baker SGA is challenging all advisory classes to donate towards the food drive from **September 25 to November 27** to help our fellow Damascus community members during the holiday season. The advisory class with the most donations will receive a pizza party sponsored by SGA!

Drop off food at room 233

Canned food only — NO perishables

Donations should not expire for one year or more

7th Grade Fundraiser

Attention 7th graders. We have started our fundraiser for our end-of-year activity. This year we are planning on going to Medieval Times for our EOY activity. To help offset the cost of the trip, we are selling 7th grade tee shirts. **Shirts will be on sale until October 13.** Here is the link to order our team shirts.

<https://www.imagemarket.com/7thGradeTeam>

SEE Something → SAY Something
Maryland Safe School Hotline Number
1-833-MD-B-SAFE / 1-833-632-7233



Looking Ahead

September 15-October 15

Hispanic-Latino Heritage Month

October — Nationals Principals' Month

Tuesday, October 3 — Activity Buses

Art Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
 Chess Club, Room 115, Mr. Ciccarello
 Intramural Boys' Basketball, Gym, Mr. Smith
 Cross Country vs. Neelsville — Home
 Softball vs. Neelsville Girls — Home
 Damascus Cluster PTSA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
 Woodfield Elementary School

Wednesday, October 4 — Activity Buses

Rubik's Cube Club, Room 225, Mr. Fisher
 Softball vs. Neelsville Boys — Home
 Everything Baker Parent Info Night for
 Latino/Hispanic Families, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 5 — Activity Buses

Interims on StudentVUE/ParentVUE and
 mailed to non-activated households
 Intramural Boys' Basketball, Gym, Mr. Smith
 Jazz Band, Room 107, Ms. Fell
 K-Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
 Talent Show Rehearsal, Rm 225, Mr. Fisher

Friday, October 6

Baker Band Night at DHS

Monday, October 9 — No school for students

Tuesday, October 10 — Activity Buses

Baker Open House 8:15a.m.–3:15 p.m.
 Coffee and Conversation, 9:45–10:45 a.m.
 Art Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
 Chess Club, Room 115, Mr. Ciccarello
 e-Sports Club, Room 134, Mr. Conner and
 Mr. Maddox
 Intramural Boys' Basketball, Gym, Mr. Smith
 Cross Country vs. Lakelands Park, Home
 Softball vs. Lakelands Park — Boys Away/
 Girls Home
 PTA 8th Grade Committee Mtg, 6:00 p.m.
 PTA General Membership Mtg, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 11 — Activity Buses

Intramural Boys' Basketball, Gym, Mr. Smith
 NJHS Meeting, 209, Mr. Conner
 Rubik's Cube Club, Room 225, Mr. Fisher

Thursday, October 12 — Activity Buses

Intramural Boys' Basketball, Gym, Mr. Smith
 Jazz Band, Room 107, Ms. Fell
 K-Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
 Talent Show Rehearsal, Rm 225, Mr. Fisher
 PTA Fundraiser at Quincy's in Damascus
 3:00–8:00 p.m. (see page 6)

Baker M.S. Chromebook Obligation Policy

MCPS does not charge a Technology Fee for students' use of an MCPS issued Chromebook. When students are assigned a chromebook, charger, and case (available for free upon request), the use of a school issued device, during the school day or at home, is a privilege that comes with responsibilities. If a repair for a damaged device incurs a charge, a financial obligation will be issued.

- Damaged or lost chromebooks should be reported to the students' advisory teacher. There will be chromebook repair days during advisory every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the media center.
- Baker/MCPS reserves the right to charge full replacement cost if the device is intentionally damaged.
- Any damage that occurs to a device **while not in the case** will be considered intentional. The first chromebook case is free upon request. Students can get a case by asking any of their team leaders or coming to the media center during chromebook repair days during advisory.
- Any damage that is caused by another student should be reported to security.
- Charges will not be issued for devices damaged by fire, flood, or natural disaster.
- If a malfunction is determined to be the result of routine equipment usage, there will be no repair charge.

Replacement Costs
Chromebook: \$307
Charger: \$28
Case: \$15

School Cash Online

is the preferred method of payment
for Technology Replacements.

Communications Between Students and Parents/Guardians during Instructional Time

Families: Should you need to contact your child, please call, text, or email your child before school, after school, or during lunchtime. Students will not be allowed to take out their phones and return your call, text, or email during instructional times. Schedules are shown on the next page. **In case of emergency**, students may use the school phone in the Main Office to contact you during instructional times. Also, Parents may call the school to speak to their child by the Main Office phone in emergency situations.

FY23

Cell Phones - Silent and Out of Sight

When *can* students use their cell phones and earbuds?

- Before school in the hallways and cafeteria
- During lunchtime in the cafeteria
- After school in the hallways and in clubs that are non-instructional

When *can't* students use their cell phones and earbuds?

- In between classes
- In classes or after-school clubs that are instructional
- During detentions - lunch, after school, or whole day
- In the locker rooms and restrooms



Join us for

**Baker's Open House Day
with Coffee and Conversation!**

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

This event is open to current Baker MS families

**Open House 8:15-3:00 — Parents may visit classrooms,
the cafeteria, and the Media Center**

**Coffee and Conversation 9:45-10:45 — Administrators will
give a presentation about the school**

**Coffee and Conversation will be held in the Conference Room
A Spanish translator will be available 8:15-10:45 a.m.**

A virtual option will be available for Coffee and Conversation

Zoom: [https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/93677883016?
pwd=d01Kc201WkVGSmdYYUJ1UVRWUDJCQT09](https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/93677883016?pwd=d01Kc201WkVGSmdYYUJ1UVRWUDJCQT09)

ID 936 7788 3016 Code Bulldog Phone 1-301-715-8592



Únase a nosotros para
**Día de puertas abiertas de Baker
con Café y Conversación!**
martes, 10 de octubre de 2023

**Este evento está abierto a las familias actuales
de Baker MS.**

**Casa Abierta 8:15-3:00 — Padres pueden visitar a las aulas,
la cafetería, y el Media Center**

**Café y conversación 9:45-10:45 — Los administradores darán
una presentación sobre la escuela**

**Café y Conversación se reunirá en la sala de conferencias
Un traductor español estará disponible de 8:15 a 10:45 a.m.**

Habrà disponible una opción virtual para Café y Conversación

Zoom: [https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/93677883016?
pwd=d01Kc201WkVGSmYyYUJ1UVRWUDJCQT09](https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/93677883016?pwd=d01Kc201WkVGSmYyYUJ1UVRWUDJCQT09)

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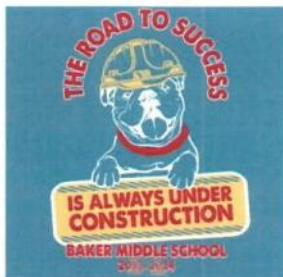
Baker Middle School Parent Coffee Meetings Agenda

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 • 9:45 am–10:45 am • Media Center

Virtual Option

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Outcomes

By the end of the meeting, participants will be able to:

- Hear about the refreshed Vision, Mission and Core Values of Baker Middle School
- Understand the School Improvement Plan and focus on Community Outreach and Well-being
- Discussed topics in the community that we can address

Note Taker: *Benae*

Timekeeper: *Louise*

AGENDA				ACTION NOTES
TIME	CONTENT	WHO	PROCESS	WHAT
9:45-9:55 10'	Framing the Meeting <input type="checkbox"/> Vision, Mission, and Core Values	Louise	Share	
9:55 - 10:05 10'	SIP <input type="checkbox"/> Baker MS Understanding the Power of Words	Louise Benae	Inform	
10:05 - 10:15 10'	<input type="checkbox"/> Focus on Community Outreach Baker MS International Festival Everything Baker Middle School <input type="checkbox"/> Focus on Well-being	David Melanie	Inform	
10:15-10:40 25'	Open Forum <input type="checkbox"/> What is happening in the Community that the school needs to know about?	All	Decide on the Next Steps	
10:40-10:45 5'	<i>Wrap Up</i>			

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, April 3, 2024, from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. at Baker Middle School (Media Center)

BAKER SPIRIT NIGHT!

**QUINCY'S UPTOWN BAR
AND GRILL!**

**Thursday, October 12
3:00pm - 8:00pm**

**Be sure to mention Baker
Middle School PTA fundraiser
when you order!**



John T. Baker Middle School Music Department Spirit Night

Tuesday, Oct. 24th
from 5pm-7pm



Place a mobile order on Tuesday, Oct. 24th from 5pm to 7pm
and 20% of sales will go to John T Baker Middle School Music
Department.

Make sure to turn on the "support community event" switch
on the app to make sure that your order counts towards the
total!



Support Community
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DEADLINE: 10/31/2023

John T Baker Middle School

Dear Parent or Student,
Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions listed below. Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please also consider our school's ad content guidelines below during the creation of your ad online. All orders must be placed by 10/31/2023 to take advantage of early bird pricing! The final deadline to purchase an 8th grade congratulatory ad is 1/26/2024.

ORDER BY 10/31/2023

COLOR AD

1/4 Page	\$95.00
1/8 Page	\$55.00

*Tax, service and delivery fee(s) will be added if applicable.

PAYMENT PLAN AVAILABLE ON ORDERS OF \$30 OR MORE.

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Step 1

Choose your ad size and layout



Step 2

Add your photos



Step 3

Enter your text

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the guidelines for ad content?

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Ensure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication. Jostens retains the right to remove any explicit text, graphic photos or copyright-protected imagery or photos.

Can I create my student's ad on my mobile device?

Yes, yearbook ads can be created online from both desktop and mobile devices.

How are the ad prices determined and what is the money used for?

Recognition ad prices are determined by our school. Revenue from recognition ads helps the school create a better, more affordable yearbook.

How is the ad deadline determined?

The ad deadline is set by our school based on the production schedule for the yearbook.



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2024-2025
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Calendar for 2024-2025



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Encuesta a las partes interesadas

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Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, our school is partnering with Weis Markets in their annual Weis 4 School program. Register your Weis Rewards card online at weis4school.com. By participating in this program, we can earn money for our school by simply shopping. Once you register, you're in the program and you do not need to register again this school year. Please share this information with your friends and family. The more interest and enthusiasm we generate, the greater the benefits to our school.

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