

Dr. Worthington's Message

Twitter: DrLouise Worthington@BAKERprincipal

Congratulations to the students who earned a place on the All A Honor Roll and the Honor Roll for Marking Period 2! See pages 3-4 for their names.

MP2	6th	7th	8th	School
Students	268	283	287	838
All A	68	45	70	183
All A %	25%	16%	24%	22%
Honor Roll	201	181	191	573
HR %	75%	64%	67%	68%

2024 Yearbook - Last Chance to Guarantee 2/25

Dear Families, Time is running out to purchase the 2024 yearbook. If you are interested, please [CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE](#). A payment plan is available at checkout. We cannot guarantee a yearbook unless you preorder by 2/25. If you are unsure if you ordered, please check here <https://www.jostens.com/customer-service/yearbook-order-tracking>

SSL News

Any student that is interested in getting the Superintendent's SSL award this year must have 75 SSL hours turned in BEFORE April 5! Please see Mrs. Paredes if you have any questions about this. If you turn SSL hours in after April 5, they will be accepted, but will not count towards the Superintendent's SSL award for this year!



Support the Baker Middle School PTA Apoye a la PTA de la escuela secundaria Baker

When: Monday, February 26, 2024 3:00-9:00 pm

Cuándo: Lunes 26 de febrero de 2024 3:00-9:00 pm

Where: New York J&P Pizza

Donde: 26067 Ridge Road, Damascus, MD
301-253-1600

Please mention the Baker Middle School PTA Fundraiser when ordering or checking out at the register! **Carry out or dine in only please.** Thank you for your support!

¡Por favor mencione la recaudación de fondos de la PTA de Baker Middle School al realizar el pedido o al pagar en la caja registradora! **Llevar a cabo o cenar solo por favor.**
¡Gracias por tu apoyo!

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



Looking Ahead

February 1–April 1, 2024 — COSA
Transfer Application Season (see page 10)

February —
African American Heritage Month (see p 7)

February 17–25 — Schaeffer Piano
Company Piano Sale (see pages 13–14)

Monday, February 19 — Holiday
Schools and offices closed

February 20–23 Maryland Survey Testing

Tuesday, February 20 — Activity Buses
Art Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
Chess Club, Room 115, Mr. Ciccarello
eSports Club, Room 134, Mr. Conner and Mr. Maddox
Homework Club, Room 227, Ms. Laraia
SGA Meeting, Room 233, Ms. Blankenship
Workout Club, Weight Room, Mr. Fisher

Wednesday, February 21 — Activity Buses
NAEP Testing for 8th Grade (mandatory for selected students)
Rubik's Cube Club, Room 225, Mr. Fisher

Thursday, February 22 — Activity Buses
Basketball vs. Kingsview, Boys Home/
Girls Away
Jazz Band, Room 107, Mrs. Fell
K-Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
Workout Club, Weight Room, Mr. Fisher

Tuesday, February 27 — Activity Buses
Art Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
Chess Club, Room 115, Mr. Ciccarello
Homework Club, Room 227, Ms. Laraia
Workout Club, Weight Room, Mr. Fisher

Wed., February 28 — Activity Buses
NJHS Meeting, Room 209, Mr. Conner
Rubik's Cube Club, Room 225, Mr. Fisher

Thursday, February 29 — Activity Buses
Jazz Band, Room 107, Mrs. Fell
K-Club, Room 210, Ms. Alvarado
Workout Club, Weight Room, Mr. Fisher

March — Women's History Month

Friday, March 1
Early Release Day for Students — Baker dismisses at 12:30 p.m.

Damascus High School Basketball Games

Good Afternoon Families,

Below are some important reminders if you plan on attending DHS basketball games:

- Elementary and middle school students will not be allowed into the game without an adult chaperone who will stay with them throughout the game
- Once students enter the gym area, there is no re-entry
- Only Damascus students are permitted in the student section
- Once the game ends, students need to leave the building. Please arrange for pickup by approximately 8:30 PM.
- Tickets are \$5 for Students 11 & older and Adults. Senior Citizens and students under 11 can enter free of charge.

We will accept cash purchases for tickets as well as digital tickets. Digital tickets can be purchased at gofan.co.

Thank you,

Kevin Yates

Principal, Damascus High School

DHS Drama Club News

The Damascus Drama Club proudly presents the Elvis inspired musical All Shook Up. Shows will be at 7pm on March 1, 2, 8, and 9, with a matinee at 2pm on March 9. Tickets are \$10 for students and senior citizens, and \$12 for adults. Children 5 and under are free of charge. Tickets are sold at the door. Come out and support the performing arts!

JOHN T. BAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK 2024



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OTHER HELPFUL INFO:

This year, we are providing a limited number of promo codes for a discount online. Visit the website to view the active promo code. Don't delay these codes are first-come, first-serve.

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Dear Parents,

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.

Thank you for your support.

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Sustainability POSTER CONTEST

All MCPS students and staff are invited to participate in the Division of Sustainability and Compliance's 2024 poster contest.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: APRIL 5, 2024

The focus of this annual contest is to increase awareness and demonstrate your school's commitment to environmental sustainability and sustainable actions related to energy conservation, waste reduction, and responsible recycling.

Scan the QR codes to download the entry form and to get more details about the contest.

THREE OF THE FIVE WINNING POSTERS FROM 2023

ENTRY FORM
bit.ly/46EKG0B

GUIDELINES
bit.ly/4SQVHRu

240-740-7715
sustainability@mcpsmd.org

Division of Sustainability and Compliance
45 West Gude Drive, Suite 4000
Rockville, Maryland 20850

2023-2024 Marking Period 2 Honor Roll and All A Honor Roll

Honor Roll — awarded to students who had a 3.0 average or higher and no more than one C and nothing lower than a C and had no Incompletes for the marking period.

*** All A Honor Roll** — awarded to students who had a 4.0 average (i.e., earned an A in every single class) and had no Incompletes for the marking period.

GRADE 6

Aaliyah	Sully Dowdell	Elina Lawson	Ryan Sherman	Prim Bodner
Abdullah-Brown *	Rodrigo	Gavin Lefave *	Maya Silva	Harrison Brenner
Kingsley Adu *	Duran Miranda *	Cali Lendowski	Autumn Slone	Alyssa Brown *
Jordan Agosto *	Aubrey Edwards	Cara Loveland *	Valentina Solarte	Miles Brown
Lily Aguilar	Marlee Edwards	Mafo Makamte *	Sophia Soliz *	Robinson Cabrera
Ariana Aguilera Menjivar	Retaj Eisa *	Gabriel Maldonado *	Jaslyne Solorzano	Stephanie
Adriel Aikins	Madison Eising *	Matthew Martin	Camila	Calderon DeMesquita
Natalia Alvarado	Ahmad Elshawahin *	Juliana Martinez Lopez	Somarrriba-Araneda	Cruz Carbonell
Camila Alvarez Agreda	Reveille Farr	Khama Matekenya	Lyla Sommer	Frankie Carmen
Dany Amaya Guevara	Carys Ferrante	Michael Mbaki	Brayden Stultz	Iker Carranza
Marvin Aparicio *	Robert Fleitas-Dick *	Zoe McAuliff	Zoe Suan *	Nalina Chitsaard
Brandon Arriaza	Rayna Francis *	Mason McCann	Mikaela Summers	Andrew Civillico *
Oyuna Aspelund	Elijah Franco Wallace	Dellany Meiklejohn	Jada Thompson *	Dennys Climaco Romero
Maddi Babcock	Chynna Frost *	Maxwell Minars	Daniel Tiner	Hannah Cooper *
Angie Banegas Romero *	Phia German	Anna Morris	Lilly Trammel	Alejandro Cordova
Jerome Barrett	Skylar Gerson	Amber	Manuel Treminio	Grethel Cruz
Tyler Barth *	Nicholas Gimmi	Navarrete De Souza	Myat Tun	Daphne De La Cruz
Jordan Bauman *	Lucy Giove	Latasha Nelson *	Lincoln Turner	Jacklyn Dibartolo
Kahmira Bell	Jasper Grimes	Iris Ngokobi	Mary Van Ravenswaay	Liam Dickinson *
Kamila Berdieva *	Ian Grossman	Nathaniel Nguyen *	Alaya Vargas	Avianna Dollar
Ryan Berry	Thaerisyn Grossman *	Jack Nichols *	Israel Ventura	Ellie Dove
Rhea Bhattacharya	Faith Grove	Amarachukwu	Josette Ventura *	Caitlyn Dunkelberger *
Alecia Boettcher *	Psalm Gyamfi	Nwokoye *	Avlyn Ward	Evan DuPont *
Addison Bonin	Riley Haidle	Dominic Oben *	Karina Wasunna	Joshua Duran
Lilly Booth *	Trevor Harmon *	Kenley Ober *	Thomas Wells	Arianna Eck
Raiden Bourdeaux	Sophie Hartnett	Shea Obstgarten *	Mairin West	Hailey Ellison
Leo Bruno	Elisabeth Heitzler *	Jojo Ordos *	Wally Wheeler	Jessica Ellison
Mason Burgess	Hazel Henry	Eli Orellana	Riley Wilbanks	Mateo Faria Garcete
Keira Byrne	Paolo	Jeremy Orellana Heredia	Mackinley Woodward	Raul
Bella Cavanagh	Hernandez-Saquimux	Axel Osorio-Argueta	Naomi Yang *	Fensterseifer Maciel
Luke Chandrasiri	Garrett Hillman *	Aanya Patel	Sushan Yeniebera	Jayden Fernando
Zackariya Chapman	Samantha Hoffman	Patrick Plunkett	Leyla Zadory *	Nikolas Filipovic
Oscar Cheng	Samuel Hoffman *	Wyett Potcner *		Megan Fish *
Angelo	Cannon Hoople	Khalonte Powell	GRADE 7	Hazel Flint *
Chigua-Landaverde	Sage Hoover	Lexi Pratt	Samrawit Adane *	Oscar Flores Canales
Raegan Chronowski	Samantha Huaman	Ahmad Yasir Rahimi	Aidan Aguilar	Momodou Lamin Fofana
Prince Coleman	Adaya Hudson	Kimberly Ramos	Katerina Agosto-Cox	Abraham Garcia
Blake Crossen	Lily Hyde	Bryson Rendelman *	Aubrey Alexander	Josie Gatti *
Isabel Cummings	Emily Jeon *	Abram Reynolds	Lily Alger	Joey Giove *
Isabella Curtin	Letty Jiang	Adrienne Ricasa *	Adam Alhasani	Leilah Goodrich
Livia Dasilva *	Emily Jimenez	Lena Ricketts	Dylan Allen *	Nicolas Gramatges
Olivia Davidson *	Reagan Johnson	Riley Rivera	Denisse Alvarenga	Autumn Graves
Celeste Davila	Alyssa Jones *	Siena Romero *	Kyla Amoako	Nathalia Guerra
Avi Davis *	Tariq Kelley	Andrew	Edgar Arvelo Guzman	Cristel Guerra Figueroa
Noah De Mello	Allie Kemp	Romero-Orellana	Isabella Badaczewski	Gabriel Guillen
Isaiah Delgado	Kellyann Kidwell	Max Rucker *	Leon Baisey	Jonathan Hanson *
William Derby *	Julia King	Nate Schmidt	Kialee Barber	Owen Hawkins *
Damaris Deudor	Alex Knisely *	Owen Schmidt *	Diana Barbero	Elias Hernandez
Dayanna Deudor *	Molly Koch *	Liam Schulz	Jayce Bauman	Ethan Hershkowitz
Naomy Diaz Argenal *	Jake Kovatch *	Jonathan Semu	Alisson Bello Luna	Elani Hiev-Madison
Andrea Diaz Valle	Allison Lakin	Christian Sevilla	Rebecca Biniam	Lily Hinkle
	Karla Landaverde-Osorio	Tyler Sheahin *	Bailey Boccabello *	Charlotte Holland

Ethan Honacki	Lucas	Ryan Bhattacharya	Lilly Kepley	David Ramos
Amelia Horner	Rodriguez Martinez	Lily Bickford *	Payton Kidd	Rikriti Raut *
Ben Howerton	Chad Romack	Angelina Biggs	Irene Kim *	Alex Raybuck
Evangeline Huband	Landon Romeo	Mackenzie Bliffin	Sophia Kissinger	Holisoa Reilly
Grace Hunt *	Inmar Romero	Ama Bolton *	Carolina Klein *	Gabriel Rivera Estevez
Yasmeen Basheer	Gavin Rose	Nelum Braine	Lydia Klein	Mya Rivera Hernandez
Othman Jaara	Cadence Roth *	Mary Brown	Alexandra Klimczak *	Victor Rizkallah *
Keylor Jara	Zoey Salazar *	Josiah Budd	Aubrey Kovatch *	Drew Robinson *
Nethuki Karasnagoda	Anna Salgado	Zack Chidakel	Marya Krepets *	Sara Rodriguez *
Nathan Kellner	Gabriela Santos	Brendan Choulas	Olivia Kushida *	Elvin
Sarah Kerr *	Caden Shiflett *	Sadie Clark *	Lila Lacquement	Rodriguez Mendoza
Olivia Keys	Kelsey Shiflett *	Kinnick Collogan *	Sophia Laforce	Kyle Rodriguez Rivera
Liana Khouri *	Alejandro Sierra Salgado	Nolan Cooley *	Alexandra Larche	Alex Rucker
Nico King	London Simpson *	Madeleine Corder *	Zinmar Latt *	Denzel Sagbeh *
Meikho Koba	Lincoln Smiddy	Daniela Cordero Agreda	Bryce Ledford	Aislinn Sell *
Hiriyaan Kumarra	Kylee Sommer	Anna Luiza Da Silva	Katherine Lee	Jordi Serrano Palma *
Iliana Kumer	Chase Spoales	Benelle Danso *	Betty Lewald	Sophia Serry
Isaak Kunin	Lulu Stammers	Maora Djibom *	Caleb Logan *	Calianna Sessions *
Marleth Larion	Luke Suloway	Katelynn Doyle	Kailey Lohmeier	Joseph Shadid
Michael Lazzaro *	Henry Suschak	Reese Dubois	Adrian Lopez *	Sy Shafie *
A'Nya Lyles	Jaya Tan	Francisco Escobar	Cesar Lopez Gonzalez	Jenna Sherman *
Abigail Mahr	Harry Tashjian	Seren Ferrante	Ma'shayla Lyles	Rachel Sherman
Abigail Malouf	Joel Teshome	Abigail Fine *	Alexandra Magrum *	Dominic Shook
Larissa Markowitz *	Leila Thoma *	Liam Flores *	Jackson Mahr *	Nehemiah Sigei
Diana Martinez Lazo	Kelly Tran *	Joannes	Clive Mallari *	Hyunah Sim *
Patrick McCarty	Jack Trujillo	Flores Gonzalez *	Ashtyn Manoogian *	Adela Smith
Nathalie	Emma Vaughan	Augustine Freeman	Sophia Marquez *	Finn Smith
Miranda Guzman	Riana Vaughn	Jennifer Funes *	Nia Marshall	Alpha Sowe
Xavier Mohammed	Eric Weng	Chelsea Garcia	Sean Martin	Nathaniel Stafford *
Julian Montano Aguayo	Lexie Werner *	Chase Gasque	Daniel Martinez	Jada Tan *
Jose Montufar	Jason Whaley	Rameesha Gilani *	Easton Massa	Ryan Tarwater-Lanham
Isabella Moore	Quanari White	Nathan Gimmi	Genevieve McCallum *	Adrian Taylor
Remy Mounaud	Ethan Wiater *	Halle Gist *	Lily McCann	Sophia Teixeira Simoni
Alejandro Mundo Amaya	Andrew Wilson	Marcos Gonzalez Castro	Bairon Miranda Lopez	Finn Thompson
Ugonna Muoghalu	Eli Wilson	Kylie Gray *	Isabel Mitchell	Joshua Thompson *
Kelsey Myers	Jacobi Wilson *	David Greenberg	Emmanuel Montana	Taryn Thompson *
Shona Nanda	Cole Winhoven	Ildiko Gyorffy	Aung Myat	Bianca Tran
Layla Neal *	Nylah Wuor	Kara Harpster	Arnav Nair	Alyson Trout *
Sofie Noubissi		Stella Harsanyi	Liliana Nauman *	Theodore
Ariana Nusraty	GRADE 8	Bryan Hazlewood	Colin Nguyen *	Van Ravenswaay
Kobby Okrah	Adara Aggelis	Kaleb Hendricks	Mariam Niass	Alani Vargas
Jordan O'Neal	Taylor Agosto	Allison Hernandez	Makayla Nunez *	Niyol Veid
Catherine Pan	Brianna Aguilar	Xavier Hernandez	Keaton Ober	Zacharias Von Palubitzki
Emma Panchura	Ana Aguirre Segura	CJ Holland *	Joel Orellana *	Vivian Wagner *
Victoria Paynter	Serena Alexander *	Jackson Holland	Julianne Ostrowski *	Payton Wallace
Jose Paz Lazo	Chelsea Angulo Tocas	Ryder Holliday	Kevin Ouedraogo	Naomi Watkins
Luca Petronio	Samantha Apo	Kj Hoople *	Eleana Oviedo-Meyers *	Paige Wheeler
El Piemontese *	John Arieta Mercado	Alden Howell	Johanna Palacios	Matty Whipp
Ali Qureshi	Angelica Ayala	Anna Hudson	Elsa Palsson *	Bryce Wilbanks
Reece Rabon	Gabriella Ayala	Lucas Hudy	Eleni Panameno	Rylee Wilberding *
Kenneth	Victoria Ayala	Decklin Hughes *	Marvin Parada	August Zopf
Ramos Granados	Nathaly Ayala Gomez	Elizabeth Hunkeler *	Miguel Parada	
Delaney Ray	Angela Ayeh-Datey *	Sofia Hyatt	Michael Patton	
Yuki Reed	Ayden Barnes *	Claire Jensen	Norelle Perera	
Haley Regan *	Amberly Bell	Ryan Jeon	Gabrielle Petrousky	
Liam Relyea	Rodrigo Bello Luna	Julius Jeong *	Kennedy Pickering	
Bryan Reyes-Larios	Jada Bennett	Nyla Johnson	Tylee Plummer-Scott	
Delainey Richards	Adam Bernal *	Jayden Jonas	Cassidy Prather	
Sophia Robinson	Gavin Berry	Torian Kelley *	Princess Quayle	



John T Baker Middle School PTA

8th Grade Promotion and End of Year Activities

Hello 8th grade families. This is your child's last year at Baker Middle School and there will be a lot to celebrate in June of 2024! We are planning now and need your help to make 8th grade events a success for our children.

End of year events and activities include a DHS Class of 2028 t-shirt for each student, the 8th grade celebration/dance, a class gift to the school, and the 8th grade promotion ceremony on the last day of school.

We ask that families contribute \$25 or more for each child. The money will be applied toward the items mentioned above and to make sure that *all students* are included, so if you would like to contribute more than \$25 it will be well utilized. We also ask that families consider signing up to help with various events and activities. We appreciate both your financial contributions and your time and efforts to help create wonderful memories for our children.

Please complete the form and send it in, along with your \$25 contribution, to the main office. Please make checks payable to **"Baker PTA,"** and note in the memo **AND on the envelope: "8th Grade Promotion."** Return to **Baker Middle School PTA, 25400 Oak Drive, Damascus, MD 20872.**

If you prefer digital payment options, you can pay through PayPal by using [@BakerMSPTA](#) or by scanning the following QR code:



8th grade committee meetings are from 6-7 PM before PTA meetings. Please stay connected so you know what the plan is and to see how you can help. Email questions to the PTA at BakerPTA@yahoo.com. We greatly appreciate your support!

Your 8th grader's full name: _____

Let us know how you can help! Circle one or more.

Dance/Celebration

Promotion ceremony

T-shirt distribution

Fundraising

Class gift

Committee Chair

Name: _____

Email: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Enclose your \$25 check payable to Baker PTA, and mark in the memo "8th Grade Promotion."



PTA de la escuela secundaria John T. Baker

Promoción de 8vo grado y actividades de fin de año

Hola familias de octavo grado. ¡Este es el último año de su hijo/a en Baker Middle School y habrá mucho que celebrar en junio 2024! Estamos planeado ahora y necesitamos su ayuda para que los eventos de octavo grado sean un éxito para nuestros niños.

Los eventos y actividades de fin de año incluyen una camiseta de DHS Clase 2028 para cada estudiante, la celebración/baile del 8.º grado, un obsequio de la clase para la escuela y la ceremonia de promoción de 8.º

Pedimos que las familias contribuyan con \$25 o mas por cada niño. El dinero se aplicará a los artículos mencionados anteriormente y para garantizar que todos los estudiantes están incluidos, por lo que si desea contribuir con más de \$25, será bien utilizado. También pedimos que las familias consideren inscribirse para ayudar con diversos eventos y actividades. Apreciamos tanto sus contribuciones financieras como su tiempo y esfuerzos para ayudar a crear recuerdos maravillosos para nuestros niños.

Complete el formulario y envíelo, junto con su contribución de \$25, a la oficina principal. Por favor haga los cheques a nombre de “**Baker PTA**” y **nota en el memorando Y en el sobre: “Promoción de 8.º grado”**. Volver a **PTA de la escuela secundaria Baker**, 25400 Oak Drive, Damascus, MD 20872.

Si prefiere las opciones de pago digital, puede pagar a través de PayPal usando @BakerMSPTA o escaneando el siguiente código QR:



Las reuniones del comité de octavo grado son de 6 a 7 p. m. antes de las reuniones de la PTA. Manténgase conectado para saber cuál es el plan y ver cómo puede ayudar. Envíe sus preguntas por correo electrónico a la PTA a BakerPTA@yahoo.com. ¡Estamos muy agradecidos por su apoyo!

El nombre completo de su hijo/a de octavo grado _____

¡Háganos saber cómo puede ayudar! Encierra en un círculo uno o más.

Promoción de baile/celebración

Ceremonia

Distribución de camisetas

Recaudación de fondos

Obsequio de clase

Presidente del comité

Nombre: _____

Correo electrónico: _____ Número de teléfono: _____

Adjunte su cheque de \$25 a nombre de Baker PTA y marque en el memorando “Promoción de 8º grado”.

SO YOU THINK YOU CAN FLOW?

Black History Month
Poetry, Rap, Song Contest

Due Date
February 23, 2024

Submitted Entries
**Place in Mrs. Jones
mailbox-counseling**

Contest Rules

- Write a 2-3 minute poem, rap, or song answering the following question, "Like the black historians who stood up to injustice, how will you make your mark in the world?"
- Winners will win a prize and be featured on BMS broadcast.
- Entries containing inappropriate or disrespectful words, will not be accepted!



Montgomery County Public Schools Girls' Summit

Please join us for the districtwide Girls' Summit on Saturday, March 9th from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at Northwood High School. Students in 6th through 12th grades and caregivers (not a drop off!) are invited to multiple supportive sessions on topics including healthy relationships, healthy eating and body image, self-esteem, and more! This summit will empower girls and their caregivers through exposure to vital skills and information, networking, and fun activities. In addition to the supportive sessions, the day will end with a fashion show sponsored by White House Black Market celebrating diverse body types and focusing on strong female fashion!

Sessions will be provided in both English and Spanish and will be organized by grade level. Topics include:

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| ♦ Healthy relationships/dating violence | ♦ Healthy eating |
| ♦ Social media use and mental health
(including cyberbullying) | ♦ Body image |
| ♦ Self-esteem | ♦ Gardening therapy |
| ♦ Identifying symptoms of depression & anxiety | ♦ Music therapy |
| ♦ Non-suicidal self-injury and suicide
(how to get help) | ♦ Zumba |
| | ♦ Kaiser spin bikes |
| | ♦ Kaiser health screening & flu shots |
| | ♦ And much more! |

RSVP Here: <http://tinyurl.com/222kpurn>

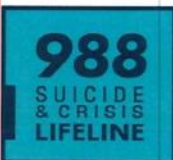


Saturday, March 9, 2024

9:00 a.m.— 1:00 p.m.

**Northwood High School
919 University Blvd., West
Silver Spring, MD 20901**

SSL Hours available for students
Narcan training & distribution on site



Montgomery County Public Schools Cumbre Femenina

Únase a nosotros para un evento de estudiantes femeninas de todo el condado el Sábado 9, de marzo, de 9:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m., en la escuela secundaria de Northwood. Estudiantes de grados 6 al 12 y sus padres/guardianes, (no personas que andan dejando los estudiantes) están invitados a múltiples sesiones de apoyo sobre temas que incluyen relaciones saludables, alimentación saludable e imagen corporal, auto estima y más! Este evento empoderará las jóvenes y a sus padres/guardianes a través de talleres que van a compartir habilidades vitales e información como hacer nuevas amistades, y actividades divertidas. A demás de las sesiones de apoyo, el día terminara con un desfile de moda patrocinado por White House Black Market- una tienda de ropa que celebra diferentes tipos de cuerpos y se especializa en una fuerte moda femenina. Las sesiones se brindarán en inglés y español y se organizará por nivel de grados. Los temas incluyen:

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| ♦ Relaciones saludables/violencia en noviazgos | ♦ Alimentación saludable |
| ♦ Usos de las redes sociales y salud mental (incluyendo acoso cibernético) | ♦ Imagen corporal |
| ♦ Autoestima | ♦ Terapia de jardinería |
| ♦ Identificar las síntomas de depresión y ansiedad | ♦ Terapia musical |
| ♦ Autolesiones no suicidas y suicidios (como obtener ayuda) | ♦ Zumba |
| | ♦ Bicicletas de spinning Kaiser |
| | ♦ Exámenes de salud de Kaiser y vacunas para el flu |
| | ♦ Y MUCHO MAS! |

Reservar su espacio aqui: <http://tinyurl.com/222kpurn>

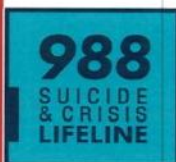


Sábado, Marzo 9, 2024

9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

**Northwood High School
919 University Blvd., West
Silver Spring, MD 20901**

Horas SSL disponible para estuantes
Entrenamiento y distribucion de Narcan



Student Transfer Application Season Begins February 1

The Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) 2024-2025 Change of School Assignment (COSA) transfer season opens on Thursday, Feb. 1, 2024. The COSA process allows families to submit a request for their children to transfer out of their assigned home school. All COSA request applications must be submitted no later than Tuesday, April 2, 2024.

New for the 2024-2025 COSA transfer process:

- COSA request applications now can be submitted online instead of the traditional paper form. When an application is submitted online, a “receipt” email notification will be sent to the parent/guardian submitting the request shortly after the administrative team of the student’s assigned home school receives the application. If the request is successfully completed online, a paper form submission is not necessary. The link to the online COSA request form can be found on the [Student Transfers website](#).

MCPS students are expected to attend the school within the established attendance area in which they reside (home school) or according to their Individualized Education Program (IEP). Students may apply for a COSA from the home school or the school of assignment through the IEP process based on the following criteria:

- **Unique Hardship:** When an extenuating circumstance(s) related to a student’s specific physical, mental or emotional well-being or their family’s individual or personal situation could be mitigated by a change of school assignment.
- **Family Move:** When a family moves within Montgomery County and wishes to continue attending their current school, they may request a COSA without demonstrating a unique hardship. Such requests may be considered for the remainder of the current school year only, with the exception that students in Grade 11 or 12 may be granted a COSA to stay through high school graduation.
- **Siblings:** When a student seeks to attend the school where a sibling will be enrolled in the regular/general school program, or a special education program, during the year the student wants to enroll.
- When a sibling attends a magnet, language immersion or other application program at the elementary level, a COSA may be approved to the regular school program for other siblings on a case-by-case basis. Such approval requires consideration of available classroom space, grade-level enrollment, staffing allocations or other factors that impact the schools involved.

The sibling exemption does not apply if the sibling is in Pre-K or if a boundary change has occurred.

The transfer process begins in the assigned home school. Applications can be found online or in the [Change of School Assignment \(COSA\) Information Booklet](#), which also provides useful information on the COSA process. Exempt countywide programs that do not fall under the transfer guidelines are listed in the booklet. Booklets can be obtained from the student’s home school.

For information about assignments for students residing in the Northeast, Downcounty or Middle School Magnet Consortium areas, please contact the Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services (DCCAPS) at 240-740-2540 or visit the [Student Transfers website](#).

For more information about the transfer process, parents/guardians are encouraged to contact the principal at their home school. Non-English speaking students and parents/guardians who require assistance can call ASK MCPS at 240-740-3000.

2023-2024 MCPS Inclement Weather and Operating Status

This is the full list of systemwide weather-related and operating status options for Montgomery County Public Schools and provides guidelines related to school status and activities during certain emergency conditions, and identifies the various levels of personnel.

Green

Normal Operations

All Schools and Admin Offices are open on time

All staff report on time
Before/After school childcare programs and Community Use occur as scheduled

Yellow

Delayed Opening

Schools will open 2 hours later and Admin Offices will open on time

10-month staff report 2 hours later
11 and 12-month staff report on time
Before/After school childcare programs and Community Use occur as scheduled

Blue

Early Dismissal

Schools will close 2.5 hours earlier and Admin Offices will remain open

10-month staff depart after all students
11 and 12-month staff remain to complete scheduled work day
Before/After school childcare programs and Community Use canceled

Orange

Schools Closed Offices Open

Schools closed and Admin Offices are open

10-month staff do not report
11 and 12-month staff report 2 hours late
Before/After school childcare programs may decide to operate
Community Use is canceled

Red

School System Closed

Schools and Admin Offices are closed

Only emergency personnel will report
All other staff does not report
Before/After school childcare programs and Community Use are canceled

Purple

Virtual Learning Day

Virtual Instruction Occurs

Emergency personnel and others performing essential functions report in person
All other staff can report virtually
Before/After school childcare programs and Community Use are canceled

- ICB Childcare Programs follow the responses for MCPS administrative offices
- CUPF - Community Use Activities are canceled when schools are closed, for the morning if there is a 2 hour delay, and for the afternoon when schools are dismissed early
- Emergency personnel must report to work and perform work for all status options, as in the negotiated contracts

[Emergency Information](#) — How to Receive MCPS Emergency Information, Weather Decisions, School Closings and Other Emergency Procedures, Emergency Preparedness, Resources

Opciones para el tiempo inclemente y el estado de funcionamiento de MCPS 2023-2024

Esta es la lista completa de opciones relacionadas con el clima y el estado operativo en todo el sistema para las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Montgomery y proporciona pautas relacionadas con el estado escolar y las actividades durante ciertas condiciones de emergencia, e identifica los diversos niveles de personal.

Verde

Operaciones normales

Todas las escuelas y oficinas administrativas abren en su horario habitual

Todo el personal se reporta a trabajar en su horario habitual. Los programas de cuidado infantil de antes y después de la escuela y el uso comunitario ocurren según lo programado

Amarillo

Apertura retrasada

Las escuelas abrirán 2 horas más tarde y las oficinas administrativas abrirán en su horario habitual

El personal de 10 meses se reporta a trabajar 2 horas más tarde. El personal de 11 y 12 meses se reportan a trabajar en su horario habitual. Los programas de cuidado infantil de antes y después de la escuela y el uso comunitario ocurren según lo programado.

Azul

Salida temprana

Las escuelas cerrarán 2.5 horas más temprano y las oficinas administrativas permanecerán abiertas

El personal de 10 meses sale después de todos los estudiantes. El personal de 11 y 12 meses permanecen para completar el día de trabajo programado. Los programas de cuidado infantil de antes y después de la escuela y el uso comunitario quedan cancelados.

Naranja

Escuelas Cerradas Oficinas Abiertas

Las escuelas están cerradas y las oficinas administrativas están abiertas

El personal de 10 meses no se reporta a trabajar. El personal de 11 y 12 meses se reportan a trabajar 2 horas más tarde. Los programas de cuidado infantil de antes y después de la escuela pueden decidir operar. Se cancela el uso comunitario

Rojo

Sistema escolar cerrado

Las escuelas y las oficinas administrativas están cerradas

Solo el personal de emergencia se reporta a trabajar. Todo el resto del personal no debe reportarse a trabajar. Los programas de cuidado infantil antes y después de la escuela y el uso comunitario se cancelan

Morado

Día de aprendizaje virtual

La instrucción es virtual

El personal de emergencia y otras personas que desempeñan funciones esenciales se reportan a trabajar en persona. El resto del personal puede reportarse a trabajar de manera virtual. Los programas de cuidado infantil antes y después de la escuela y el uso comunitario se cancelan.

- Los Programas de Cuidado Infantil de ICB siguen las pautas para las oficinas administrativas de MCPS.
- CUPF (siglas en inglés) - Las actividades de uso comunitario se cancelan cuando las escuelas están cerradas, por la mañana si hay un retraso de 2 horas, y por la tarde cuando las escuelas salen temprano.
- El personal de emergencia debe presentarse al trabajo y realizar el trabajo durante todas las opciones de estado, según los contratos negociados.

Información de emergencia: cómo recibir información de emergencia de MCPS, decisiones meteorológicas, Cierre de escuelas y otros procedimientos de emergencia, preparación para emergencias, recursos

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Expanding Opportunity and Unleashing Potential

OFFICE OF DISTRICT OPERATIONS

February 8, 2024

Dear Staff, Parents, and Guardians:

We are pleased to inform you of an opportunity to purchase a piano for your family. Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has an agreement with Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., to provide MCPS with new grand, upright, and digital pianos to be used in schools. Schaeffer's Piano Co. Inc., located in Rockville, Maryland, is the area's oldest piano store. This agreement also provides MCPS families and staff an opportunity to purchase these and other pianos for considerably reduced prices at an annual piano sales event.

This year's liquidation sales event will take place February 17-25, 2024, at 105 North Stonestreet Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Sales will be by appointment only to provide an opportunity for you to purchase these pianos before they are offered for sale to the public. All pianos will carry a 15-year transferable warranty. Each piano will come with a bench and one free in-house tuning.

For additional information, you may visit the Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., website at <https://www.schaefferspiano.com>. To make an appointment for the sale, between February 15-25, 2024, please call the Schaeffer's Piano Company appointment desk at 301-424-1147.

We are grateful to be working with Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., to support our school music programs and help MCPS keep new and well-maintained instruments in our schools each year. If you have any questions, please contact Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., at 301-424-1144.

Sincerely,

Rachel C. DuBois
Acting Chief of District Operations

8 de febrero de 2024

Estimados miembros del personal, padres y tutores:

Nos complace informarles sobre una oportunidad para comprar un piano para su familia. Las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Montgomery (MCPS) tienen un acuerdo con Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc. para proporcionar a MCPS pianos de cola, verticales y digitales para ser usados en las escuelas. Este acuerdo también brinda la oportunidad a las familias y el personal de MCPS de comprar estos y otros pianos a precios considerablemente reducidos en un evento anual de ventas de pianos.

El evento de ventas de liquidación de este año se llevará a cabo de 17 al 25 de febrero de 2024, en 105 North Stonestreet Avnue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Las ventas serán únicamente con cita para brindar la oportunidad de que compre estos pianos antes de que se los ofrecen al público. Todos los pianos tendrán una garantía transferible de 15 años. Cada piano incluirá un banco y una afinación a domicilio gratuita.

Para más información, puede visitar el sitio web de Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., en www.schaefferspiano.com. Para programar una cita para la venta de 17 al 25 de febrero de 2024, llame a la línea de citas de Schaeffer's Piano Company al 301-424-1147.

Agradecemos trabajar con Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc. a fin de apoyar nuestros programas musicales de las escuelas y ayudar a MCPS mantener instrumentos nuevos y bien mantenidos en nuestras escuelas cada año. Si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor comuníquese con Schaeffer's Piano Company, Inc., al 301-424-1144.

Atentamente,

Rachel C. DuBois
Acting Chief of District Operations