

# Maryvale Cougar



## Maryvale Elementary School

October 2023

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### Upcoming Events

- 10/2 Vision & Hearing for Head Start Students (Han/Simcox)
- 10/9 Professional Day—No School for Students  
PTA Restaurant Night - Chipotle (location and time TBD)
- 10/10 PTA Board Meeting 6:00—7:00 pm  
General PTA Meeting 7:00—8:00 pm
- 10/11 Head Start 3s (Han) Field Trip to Butler's Orchard 10:00 am—1:00 pm  
Story Time (Virtual) "Fall into a Good Book" 7:00 pm
- 10/18 No School for Head Start and PreK Students 10:00 am—1:00 pm
- 10/19 Kindergarten Field Trip to Trolley Museum 9:45 am—12:00 pm
- 10/20 Fall Individual Student Picture Day
- 10/24 Patrol Meeting Grade 4 11:35 am—12:05 pm
- 10/25 No School for CAPP Students  
Patrol Meeting Grade 5 12:40—1:10 pm
- 10/27 5th Grade to Strathmore (Concert) 9:45 am—12:45 pm
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### SchoolCash Online

Beginning last school year, parents/guardians of Maryvale students began paying for school field trips via SchoolCash Online.

Families new to MCPS should have received information from MCPS regarding this program.

Please refer to the attached flyers (English and Spanish) for information about registering your children for this convenient way to pay for field trips.



### Change of PM Transportation

As we start the school year, we would like to remind parents of Maryvale's transportation change policy. While we are aware that there are unavoidable transportation changes during the school year, we are asking parents to change PM transportation **only in an emergency**. If you need to change your child's transportation for the afternoon, and you know this in the morning, please go over this with your child/ren before they go to school. Frequent afternoon changes in transportation interrupt instruction as the front office must call into the class to let the child know. We appreciate your cooperation. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the front office. Thank you.

# Register for SchoolCash Online today

## It's fast, easy & free

Activate an account today so you will be notified via email and pay for your child(ren)'s school activity fees online.

### Why register?

24/7 shopping convenience

Secure, contactless & easy-to-use

Receive email notifications as new items are available for purchase

Manage all of your child(ren)'s school activity fees from a single account

Check your account history at any time

View & print receipts as needed

Eliminates the need for your child(ren) to carry cash

### How to register

Go to <https://mcpsmd.schoolcashionline.com/> and click **Register**.

Enter your first name, last name, email address, and create a password

Select a security question

Select **Yes** to receive email notifications (note that you will not receive any promotional emails)

You will receive a confirmation via email. Check your Spam folder if you don't receive it.

Use your email address and password to log in to your account.

### How to add children to your account

Sign in to **SchoolCash Online**: <https://mcpsmd.schoolcashionline.com/>.

At the top of the page, navigate to **My Account**.

From the dropdown menu, select **My Students**.

Click to add a child:

Type your school board name.

Choose your school from the list.

Enter your child's details.

Click **Confirm**.

### How to make a payment

Select the item which you would like to purchase & click **Add to Cart**.

Once you have finished adding items to your cart, always review the cart.

Click **Continue** to make a payment.

# Regístrese hoy en SchoolCash Online

## Es rápido, fácil y gratuito

Cree una cuenta hoy mismo para que se le notifique por correo electrónico y pueda pagar en línea las cuotas de las actividades escolares de su(s) hijo(s).

### ¿Por qué registrarse?

Facilidad de compra 24 horas al día, 7 días a la semana

Seguro, sin contacto y fácil de usar

Reciba notificaciones por correo electrónico cuando haya nuevos artículos disponibles para su compra

Gestione todas las cuotas de las actividades escolares de sus hijos desde una sola cuenta

Vea e imprima los recibos que necesite

Elimina la necesidad de que su(s) hijo(s) lleve(n) dinero en efectivo

### Cómo inscribirse

Vaya a <https://mcpsmd.schoolcashionline.com/> y haga clic en **Register**.

Introduzca su nombre, apellido, dirección de correo electrónico y cree una contraseña

Seleccione una pregunta de seguridad

Seleccione **Yes** para recibir notificaciones por correo electrónico (tenga en cuenta que no recibirá ningún correo electrónico promocional)

Recibirás una confirmación por correo electrónico. Comprueba tu carpeta de Spam si no lo recibes.

Utilice su dirección de correo electrónico y su contraseña para acceder a su cuenta.

### Cómo añadir niños a su cuenta

Acceda a **SchoolCash Online**: <https://mcpsmd.schoolcashionline.com/>

En la parte superior de la página, navegue hasta **My Account**.

En el menú desplegable, seleccione **My Students**.

Haga clic para añadir un niño:

Escriba el nombre de su consejo escolar.

Elija su escuela de la lista.

Introduzca los datos de su hijo.

Haga clic en **Confirm**.

### Cómo hacer un pago

Seleccione el artículo que desea comprar y haga clic en **Add to Cart**.

Una vez que haya terminado de añadir artículos a su cesta, haga clic en **Continue** para realizar el pago.

## Parent Resources for Eureka Math

We are excited to begin the school year and continue using our math curriculum, *Eureka Math*. The Eureka Math curriculum was created by Great Minds, a nonprofit that brought together teachers and experts to craft a program based on the world's most successful math programs. Eureka Math was built around the core principle that students need to know more than just what works when solving a problem – they need to understand why it works.

Eureka Math is designed to support students in gaining a solid understanding of concepts, a high degree of procedural skill and fluency, and the ability to apply the math to solve problems in and outside the classroom. There is also an intentional coherence linking topics and thinking across grades. Each lesson that students engage in is an extension of previous learning and foundational to future learning. Eureka Math will also provide a high level of rigor for all students as they pursue deep, authentic command of mathematical concepts.

As teachers and students work towards building a more conceptual understanding of mathematics you might notice that Eureka Math teaches math differently than how you were taught in school. The Eureka Math curriculum goes beyond facts and formulas by teaching students to think about math conceptually. This helps students become not merely literate, but fluent in mathematics. Below you will find grade-specific parent roadmaps that explain what students will be studying in the coming year and share strategies that you can employ to facilitate learning outside of the classroom. These roadmaps are a great way to begin bridging the gap between the way math was once taught and today's techniques.

### English

[Kindergarten](#) [First Grade](#) [Second Grade](#)  
[Third Grade](#) [Fourth Grade](#) [Fifth Grade](#)

### French

[Kindergarten](#) [First Grade](#) [Second Grade](#)  
[Third Grade](#) [Fourth Grade](#) [Fifth Grade](#)

### Spanish

[Kindergarten](#) [First Grade](#) [Second Grade](#)  
[Third Grade](#) [Fourth Grade](#) [Fifth Grade](#)

You can also create a FREE account on the Great Minds website where they have additional support for families by clicking [here](#).

## School Meals

**Meal Prices:** There are no changes in meal prices this school year. • Breakfast: regular price: \$1.30 (all levels); reduced price (all levels): no cost; Lunch: regular price: \$2.55 (elementary), \$2.80 (middle and high); reduced price (all levels): no cost Applications:

**Free and Reduced-price Meals Sytem (FARMS)** applications have been updated for the new school year, and are now available online at [www.MySchoolApps.com](http://www.MySchoolApps.com); this is the preferred application method.

All interested families must reapply each school year.

Please refer to attachment A for additional application process details. • Please share application information in your school's Connect Ed, newsletters and website; a sample is provided in Attachment B.



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## MCDOT - Bike Donation Drive - Community Service Month

Do you have an extra bicycle you no longer need?

On Friday, October 20, 2023, Montgomery County's Department of Transportation (MCDOT) will once again sponsor a bike collection drive during this year's Community Service Month.

Donated child / adult bikes and bike parts will be accepted from 7:00am to 2:00pm on Friday, October 20, 2023. (No bike helmets, please)

Donations will go to the Rockville Bike Hub, a non-profit organization whose volunteers refurbish the bikes and give them to low-income residents throughout the County, through Rockville's Terrific Kids and MCDOT's Bike Match MoCo programs.

Residents may also donate by check to the Rockville Bike Hub during the bicycle collection event. All donated funds will be used to purchase bike helmets and parts to repair the bikes.

Location:

Montgomery County Council Office Building Parking Garage at the corner of East Jefferson Street and Monroe Street in Rockville, Maryland 20850

## Hello Maryvale Cougar Scholars!

Hello Maryvale Parents & Guardians!

This is Mrs. Jones, the new Vocal and General Music Teacher ☐ First: your children are doing a great job in music class so far. We are singing, playing instruments and learning more about music from Latin America and the Caribbean as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Music is for everyone (and yes, your children get music grades), so please encourage your children to participate in music class!

Secondly, if 5<sup>th</sup> grade students wanted to be a member of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Chorus, they should have returned a signed permission slip to their classroom teacher on Friday, September 29, 2023 because the first chorus rehearsal was on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:55-3:45 pm in my music classroom. Chorus will be every Friday at 2:55-3:45. ***I will be extending the entry deadline for Chorus for 2 weeks after this date.*** Lastly, there is an annual MCPS **5<sup>th</sup> grade music field trip on Friday, October 27, 2023 at The Music Center at Strathmore in Bethesda!**

5<sup>th</sup> grade students should have already brought home a permission slip and information letter about this concert. The concert is free for all MCPS 5<sup>th</sup> grade students! The buses have already been ordered, so all that is left to do is sign the permission letter that was sent home! I will be preparing all 5<sup>th</sup> graders for this concert for the next few weeks with lessons about the style and repertoire of the concert! Let's see if they were paying attention in music class: Ask your children what the music genre/style of the concert will be! *Thank you, parents and family for your continued support of all things musical at Maryvale!*

*Mrs. Jones*



# PTA Wants You!

How do you want to help the PTA?

Many hands make light work, and the PTA is looking for many hands to help this year. Beyond the 4 elected positions, the PTA has many other Board and volunteer positions that do everything from organize events (e.g. Science Fair), to fundraising, to advocacy, to staff appreciation. Please consider helping the PTA by browsing the positions and descriptions in the sign-up genius and volunteering for a slot.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4daaad23aaf85-maryvale5/33917312#/>



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## Parent Volunteers

Calling all parents!

Maryvale loves parent volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering in your child's classroom, you will need to take the MCPS Volunteer Training. To complete this training, please go to the MCPS website and search for Volunteer Training. This should take you directly to the webpage with the training link. Once you have completed the training, your name will show on Maryvale's Volunteer Report (this usually takes a few days). You can also email Mrs. Nolte your training completion confirmation email. Once one of the two tasks have been completed, you may schedule a volunteer date with your child's teacher.

Additionally, you may also access the training link through Maryvale's webpage (under Back-to-School).

Please join us! We are looking forward to a great year.





**Celebrate Community Service Month with  
MCDOT on **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023****

## **DONATE A BIKE**

**7 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

100 Maryland Avenue in Rockville, MD 20850  
Outside the Council Office Building Garage



**Please: NO BIKE HELMETS**

Repaired bikes will be provided to low-income Montgomery County residents.



For more information, contact:  
[commuter.services@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:commuter.services@montgomerycountymd.gov)



## **RHS BOOSTER CLUB**

**The Creek Lodge Fundraiser Night**

**(Bauer Drive Shopping Center)**



**Tuesday October 3rd, 2023**

**Time: 4:00 to Close**

We have to order from the regular menu

No Happy Hour Menu items or Taco Tuesday specials will count toward the fundraiser