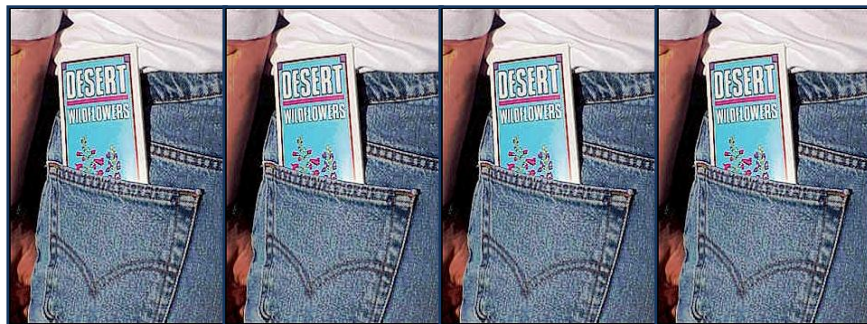


John Poole's BACK POCKET



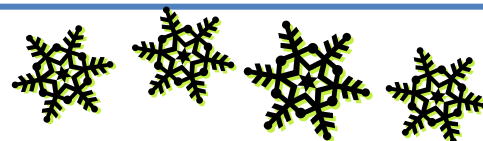
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A Thought for Today:

If you step up you stand a chance of losing, but if you don't step up, you've already lost.

- John Steinbeck

Thoughts on January



January is often a muddle. The end of the first semester ushers in a little "down time" when elective classes may be changing, unit tests and exams conclude the work that began earlier in the term, and homework is generally lighter than usual since teachers are grading and preparing report cards before launching into new topics of study. Saturday School closes down until the new semester's work has gotten well-started; it's one of the least demanding times of the school year for our students. The Martin Luther King Day holiday gives us additional time off, and the weather can bring snow days – or at least it used to. I love a snow day as much (or more than!) the kids do, but we can really lose our focus when our routine is relaxed.

All this adds up to our needing to help our kids start the second semester strong. They'll have a chance to relax and re-energize themselves even if this is another snowless winter, but then they need to buckle down. Eighth graders are starting their last semester in middle school, and all the research indicates that most students who finish Grade 8 doing well start Grade 9 doing well. Kids who let themselves slack off, on the other hand, tend to have trouble pulling it together when they start high school in the fall.

Important testing is coming up for all our students: MAP-R falls at the end of this month, and MSA marks the end of the third quarter. It's only the calendar that slows down for January. Good ways to keep kids on track include sticking to regular meal and bedtimes, keeping reading a priority, and engaging kids in thoughtful activities such as following a news story or working on a service project. The inauguration provides great conversation starters this year for those of us fortunate enough to live so close to our nation's capital.

Thanks for working with us - and cross your fingers for a snow day!

-Charlotte Boucher

Here are the times for next week's exams. You can make a big difference if you make sure your child is on time and any conflicting appointments are rescheduled. Thanks!

Semester 1 Exams	Mon. 1/14	Tues. 1/15	Wed. 1/16
7:35 – 9:56	Per. 2 exam	Per. 1 exam	Per. 4 exam
10:00 – 10:40	Per. 1	Per. 4	Per. 6
10:44 – 11:58	Per. 5 & Lunch	Per. 6 & Lunch	Per. 5 & Lunch
12:02 – 2:20	Per. 7 exam	Per. 5 exam	Per. 6 exam

	Thurs. 1/17	Fri. 1/18
7:35 – 9:56	Per. 3 exam	Make-up Exams Regular Schedule All classes and lunches meet in order as usual.
10:00 – 10:32	Per. 1	
10:36 – 11:08	Per. 2	
11:12 – 12:26	Per. 5 & Lunch	
12:30 – 1:04	Per. 4	
1:08 – 1:42	Per. 6	
1:46 – 2:20	Per. 7	

Hallway Heroes

Hallway Heroes are students we honor for demonstrating exemplary **PRIDE** behaviors as they move from class to class, helping to keep our hallways safe and comfortable for everyone.

The students recognized below consistently demonstrate **Purpose, Respect, Integrity, Dedication** and **Effort** everywhere they go at JPMS. They are **Hallway Heroes** and we are proud to celebrate their high expectations and their Timberwolf PRIDE!



Jocelyn Alvarez

Delaney Cecco

Lukas Lightcap

Daniel Bricker, Jr.

Mathew Gimbrere

Rachel Macairan

Patrick Budd

Yaniv Kovich

Charlotte Mallow

JPMS Geography Bee Winners

The Social Studies Department would like to congratulate the 15 students who won their class round of the **National Geographic Society's Geography Bee** before Winter Break.

6th Grade Winners

Lukas Lightcap

Daniel Geehrens

Ethan Richardson

Vincent Chim

Bubby Jones

7th Grade Winners

Gavin Prebilic

Bridgette Hammett

Clara Jackson

Darrell Marshall

Melanie Staszewski

8th Grade Winners

David Esser

James Donovan

Daria Sharifi

Cole Carmack

Keegan Hemingway

This week, 10 of the winners represented their classes in the school championship round. **Gavin Prebilic** came in 3rd place winning a \$10 Barnes & Noble gift card. **Darrell Marshall** took 2nd place and won a \$15 iTunes gift card. Our school champion was **Bubby Jones**, who won a \$25 Amazon gift card and a medal from the National Geographic Society. Later this week, Bubby will take the qualifying test for the State Geography Bee on April 5th. We wish him luck and hope to see Bubby competing again in the spring!!

Special thanks go to the PTSA for providing the finalists with gift cards, and to Ms. McIntyre for providing all of the contestants with giant Hershey Bars.



Congratulations to Our Newest Junior Thespians

Aidan Auel
Taylor Bryd
Rebecca Carin
Bryce Davis
Nicole Duran
Elise Evans
Noel Fitzpatrick
Isabel Gibbs
Sara Himmelfarb
Claire Jensen
Eve Knudson
Sam Lee
Stephanie Leitner
Katie Morrow
Guy Norton
Jermye Quart
Alivia Tetlow

The National Junior Thespians Society is an honor society for students in elementary and middle school who have contributed to the dramatic arts by participating in theatrical productions as performers, technical crew members, and creative directors.

Last spring, the John Poole Middle School chapter of the National Junior Thespians Society was chartered, and this week the second group of initiates were honored at an initiation ceremony.

Congratulations to all our Junior Thespians and to Mrs. Turner for supporting their achievements in drama – and thanks to Mrs. Crutchfield for taking these pictures at the initiation ceremony!



More About the Changes in the MCPS Math Program

We've been talking about the Common Core State Standards and how they will affect teaching, learning and assessment in the next few years, and elementary schools have been implementing Curriculum 2.0 in the lower grades already. Now, the rollout is reaching middle schools. The article below and the Frequently Asked Questions sheet that follows come from the curriculum office and provide information about changes to the math program.

Upgrades to the mathematics program in Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) are being made based on the findings and recommendations in the K–12 Mathematics Work Group Report (2010) including the alignment of the curriculum with the internationally driven Common Core State Standards (CCSS). Additional factors influencing changes to the mathematics program include—

- evolving definition of college/career readiness driven by the demands of the 21st century work force;
- University System of Maryland's new expectation that students complete Algebra 2 and a “non-trivial” mathematics course in their senior year; and
- anticipated Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) Algebra 2 test mandated by the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) scheduled to begin in the 2014–2015 school year.

We believe the deeper mathematical understanding and higher expectations of the grade-level CCSS in elementary and middle school will prepare **most** students for Algebra 1 in Grade 8 and college level courses in high school. There will be **many** students who will need enhanced instruction; for these students, MCPS has developed additional enrichment and acceleration options to ensure that students who demonstrate understanding of a topic will be able to deepen and extend their learning within the grade-level curriculum. For the **few** students who consistently demonstrate deep

understanding of all of the mathematical concepts at their grade level, they may need to be advanced. Beginning in Grade 4, access to a compacted curriculum will be available to students who consistently demonstrate this deep understanding of grade-level content across all mathematics strands.

Some students may require more time to complete the trajectory to Algebra 1. Supports will be included throughout the curriculum to provide options for accessing rigorous mathematics content. These supports may include alternate activities that address different learning needs, additional instructional time when needed, or courses designed to provide remediation and a slower pace to master the curriculum. The goal will be for all students to reach deep understanding across all mathematical topics.

MCPS began making upgrades to the 2001 mathematics program for elementary schools in 2007. The upgraded program is called Curriculum 2.0 and is currently in place in kindergarten–Grade 3 in all elementary schools throughout the district. Rollout of Grades 4 and 5 and Algebra 1 is planned for next year.

School-based staff members will require professional development opportunities to implement the CCSS, and the Fiscal Year 2014 Superintendent's Recommended Operating Budget includes resources and support for implementation of Curriculum 2.0.

To find more information about changes to the MCPS mathematics programs, please visit the MCPS website at—

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/2.0/ or www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/math/.

PARENT FAQ

1. When will students who are currently in the 2001 Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) curriculum first experience the new C2.0 in mathematics, which is based on the CCSS?

In the 2013–2014 school year, Math 4, Math 5, and Algebra 1 will be the new courses available in C2.0 mathematics. This will be the first exposure to some of the elements of the new curriculum and the CCSS for students going in to C2.0 Math 5 and Algebra 1. Instructional materials and teacher preparation will include resources to assist students in demonstrating proficiency of the new standards. The design of the Algebra 1 curriculum will support students transitioning to C2.0 mathematics.

2. For students currently in C2.0 in Grade 3, what courses will be available for next year?

Next year, the courses for current Grade 3 students will be C2.0 Math 4 and for a few students, the compacted C2.0 Math 4/5. Only students who have consistently demonstrated proficiency, as defined by UCARE, of all grade-level indicators and enrichment and acceleration opportunities, will be considered for the compacted Math 4/5. A system-wide process will be in place to help guide schools in reviewing data and making placement decisions.

3. For students currently in the MCPS mathematics curriculum in Grade 4, what courses will be available for next year?

Next year, the course for current Grade 4 students in MCPS Math 4 is C2.0 Math 5.

Next year, the courses for current Grade 4 students in MCPS Math 5 are C2.0 Math 5 or the existing MCPS Math 6.

Next year, the course for current Grade 4 students in MCPS Math 6 is the existing MCPS Math 7.

4. For students currently in the MCPS mathematics curriculum in Grade 5, what courses will be available for next year?

Depending on local middle school articulation guidelines:

Next year, the course for current Grade 5 students in MCPS Math 5 is MCPS Math 6.

Next year, the course for current Grade 5 students in MCPS Math 6 is MCPS Math 7.

Next year, the course for current Grade 5 students in MCPS Math 7 is MCPS IM.

5. How will we prepare Grade 4 students for CCSS Curriculum 2.0 Grade 5 Math?

Starting in February professional development opportunities and resources will be provided to teachers to prepare current Grade 4 students in MCPS Math 4 with the transition to C2.0 Grade 5 Math. A unit plan for the final marking period of this school year has been designed to help students in Grade 4 making this transition.

6. What is the design of the compacted courses?

The content of 12 marking periods (Math 4, 5, 6) is kept in sequence and compacted into the eight marking periods across Grades 4 and 5.

7. How is the CCSS being rolled out in middle school and high school?

Next year, Curriculum 2.0 Algebra 1, aligned with CCSS, will be the first secondary mathematics course to roll out in both middle school and high school.

In 2014–2015, C2.0 Math 6 and Geometry will be rolled out.

In 2015–2016, C2.0 Math 7, Investigations in Mathematics (IM), and Algebra 2 will be rolled out.

In 2016–2017, C2.0 Math 8 will be rolled out.

8. Will students taking grade-level mathematics courses in elementary school be prepared for Algebra 1 in Grade 8?

Curriculum 2.0 in Grades K-7 is designed to provide the strong foundation needed to be successful in Algebra 1 by Grade 8.

9. What is the policy on Algebra 2 as a high school graduation requirement?

The MCPS high school graduation requirement continues to be four credits of mathematics, with one full year of algebra and one full year of geometry. The state of Maryland is considering making Algebra 2 a high school graduation requirement, but no decision has been made at this time. In addition, the University System of Maryland requires students to complete Algebra 2 in high school.

10. Why should students complete at least Algebra 2 in high school?

Research has shown that students who complete Algebra 2 by the end of Grade 11 with a “C” or higher will perform better on the SAT and ACT college entrance exams and are less likely to require remedial mathematics courses in college. Students who complete Algebra 2 also are more than twice as likely to graduate from college than are students with less mathematical preparation. In addition, the University System of Maryland requires students to complete Algebra 2 in high school.

11. Will there be options/electives for mathematics courses in high school?

There will continue to be elective mathematics courses available in high school, such as Bridge to Algebra 2, Quantitative Literacy, Advanced Placement (AP) Statistics, AP Calculus, and many others. As the C2.0 secondary mathematics courses are developed and implemented, the need for these course offerings will continue to be evaluated.

12. Are teachers receiving professional development in mathematics?

MCPS provides professional development in many forms, as indicated in the left-hand column in the chart below. Recognizing the need to support the significant changes and expectations in mathematics instruction, MCPS is also expanding professional development opportunities as outlined in the right-hand column.

Continuing Math Professional Development Venues (K–12)	Expansion To Support Effective Implementation (K–12)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Videos, documents, presentations in the Instruction Center• Elementary and secondary Core Team Training includes implementing grade level/course teachers.• Principal Curriculum Updates• Substitute Days for Collaborative Planning/PLCs• Math Content Coaches• Staff Development Teachers• Secondary Resource Teachers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Expand the number of sub days for collaborative curriculum study and planning.• Face-to-face training for all Grade 4 and 5 and Algebra 1 teachers.• Develop a team of specialists with math instructional expertise to support targeted school implementation.

If you came to Math Night in November, much of this information is familiar to you already. Our PTSA is planning opportunities in coming weeks to keep informed about the Math Curriculum 2.0 rollout, and we'll be talking about all these details and how they will affect your family as we go through the registration process for next year.

Mark your calendars now for the parent planning meetings:

February 11 – Parents of Current 6th and 7th Graders - 7:00 PM in the media center

February 13 – Parents of Current 5th Graders – 7:00 PM in the APR

Of course, you can always call the counselor or math teacher as well.

JPMS has been preparing to have our students ready for continued success. We'll make sure they transition smoothly to the new curriculum!



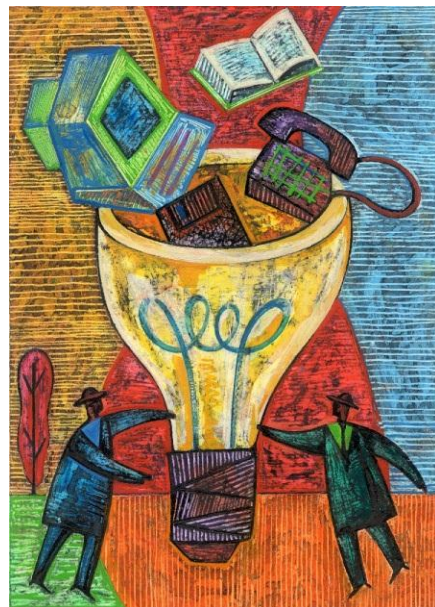
PBIS Recycling Fundraiser

PBIS is conducting our recycling fundraiser again this year. Thank you for making last year's drive a great success!

This fundraiser helps us raise money for our Positive Behavior Program and protects the environment through the donations of your used consumer electronics. Your used items are recycled in accordance with EPA regulations. One hundred percent of the proceeds help fund PBIS.

We are collecting the following items:

Cell Phones	Laptop Computers	GPS Devices
Inkjet Cartridges	E-Book Readers	MP3 Players
Radar Detectors	Handheld Game Systems	
Digital Cameras	Digital Video Cameras	



Please drop off any of the above items you would like to recycle.

There is a bin for cell phones, inkjet cartridges, and other small electronics in the school's foyer. Larger items can be dropped off in the office. We greatly appreciate your support!



Martin Luther King Day Is a Day of Service

Here are two ways to earn SSL hours on January 21 when schools are closed for the MLK holiday.

1. Come to the Bethesda North Marriott Conference Center, 5701 Marinelli Road, North Bethesda from 9:00 – 11:00 AM to help with a variety of service projects: create cards for troops, prepare bag lunches with Whole Foods for area shelters, make no-sew fleece blankets for Montgomery Hospice, assemble Snow Day boxes for Meals on Wheels, and many more. Also visit the Volunteer Fair where representatives from nonprofit organizations will share information about year round volunteer opportunities. [Click here to sign up.](#) Adult volunteers are needed from 7:30 to 11:30 AM to help at registration, project tables, answering participants' questions, and with set up and tear down. Volunteer orientation is provided the week before the event. Minimum age: 16. [Click here to sign up.](#)
2. Youth Activities of Seventh-Day Adventist will host a variety of service activities at the Silver Spring Civic Building, One Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring, from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. There will be projects for individuals, families, and groups. [Click here to sign up.](#)

Donations of non-perishable food for Manna Food Center may be brought to both locations.

With the Presidential Inauguration celebration on MLK Day this year, there is a focus on projects on Saturday and Sunday as well. **Check out other ways to get involved in this Weekend of Service!**

- [Manna Food Drive](#) - Help collect food for the "Help the Hungry Food Drive" on **January 19 & 20** at area Giant Food stores. (see additional information on the next page)
- [Potomac Conservancy Clean Up](#) - Beautify points along the C&O Canal - **Saturday, January 19th.**
- [Heyman Interages Center](#) - Attend a Volunteer Open House - **Monday, January 21st.**

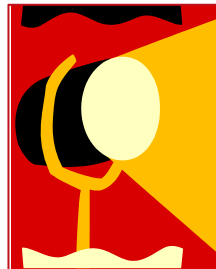
- [Unite America in Service Event](#) - Pack care kits for service members & first responders at the DC Armory - **Saturday, January 19th.**
 - [Click here](#) to see other projects happening around the DC metro area on the Points of Light website.
- For more information visit this website: www.montgomeryserves.org/mlk-day-service-2013

Help the Hungry Food Drives January 19 & 20

Help Manna Food Center, Montgomery County's largest food bank, stock its shelves! You can earn SSL hours while helping your neighbors in need. Get your school club, sports team, or gather family and friends to help collect food at area Giant food stores. For more information on the food drive locations, and how to register to participate, please email volunteer@mannafood.org. **Please note that volunteers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult and advanced registration is required to participate.**

Your PTSA – “Every child, one voice”

- Jennifer Kasten - President
- Dawn Albert - Vice President
- Dreama Hemingway - Secretary
- Wendy Roldan – Treasurer
- Lori Kocur – Membership & Volunteers
- Anne Donovan & Jackie Gaddis – Staff Appreciation



Spotlight on... Math Curriculum Changes

MCCPTA is hosting a math forum
January 30 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM
850 Hungerford Drive in Rockville

Volunteer Your Time and Join the PTSA!

Please contact Lori Kocur at kocurs@verizon.net for membership information or to register as a JPMS Parent Volunteer. Once you are a registered volunteer, you will receive emails when opportunities to help out at school arise. It's as easy as that!

Membership and volunteer forms are available at the JPMS website:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/uploadedFiles/schools/poolems/parents/4.%20PTSA%20Membership%20Form.pdf>

Congratulations to the Math Team!



Four team members participated in the area competition on January 9 at Clemente Middle School.

Cassandra Cambell, Maureen Hueting, Jackson Krasche and Paul Szafranski did a great job and represented JPMS with PRIDE!

Our next competition is February 6. Mrs. Dutcher and the team look forward to another chance to show our excellence in math!

Go Timberwolves!



Welcome back JPMS students and parents!

It is our goal to provide activities to meet the desires of all students. If you have any suggestions for programs or interests, please contact Mrs. Crutchfield at [Winessa R Crutchfield@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Winessa_R_Crutchfield@mcpsmd.org).

Some of the programs offered this year are Books and Boxing, Babysitting Club, Jewelry Making, Zumba Class, Scrapbooking, Game Room, Book Club and much more. Keep checking the *Back Pocket* for upcoming classes.

Math Club – Wednesdays after school in room 300

Homework Club – Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school in the Media Center

Zumba Club – Tuesdays afterschool in Room 108



Yearbooks

Yearbooks can be pre-ordered through Jostens only. If you do not pre-order a yearbook, you are not guaranteed a yearbook. You can go to www.jostens.com today to pre-order your yearbook. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Aulls at [Kelly M Aulls@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kelly_M_Aulls@mcpsmd.org).

Edline Help Guide

An online Edline help manual is now available at the JPMS website. Click on the "Parents" tab to find the Edline Student/Parent Quick-Start Guide, or locate it in the Quick Links column on our home page.

What's the BIG Idea?

"What's the BIG Idea?" is a new, 30-minute monthly podcast hosted by Superintendent Joshua Starr and Chris Lloyd, an MCPS teacher and vice president of the Montgomery County Education Association. The podcast features in-depth conversations about the complexity, challenges, and opportunities facing public education today. On the second episode of "What's the BIG Idea?" the hosts are joined by Dr. Andrés Alonso, CEO of Baltimore City Public Schools. Visit "What's the BIG Idea?" Podcast at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/superintendent/podcast/ to listen to the episode or subscribe to the podcast via iTunes. You also can follow @wtbipodcast on Twitter to get updates about upcoming episodes.

Public Hearings on Proposed Fiscal Year 2014 Budget

Superintendent Starr submitted his recommended operating budget for FY 2014 to the Board of Education on Dec. 11. [Visit the MCPS Budget Website](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/budget/) at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/budget/> to watch a short video in which Dr. Starr gives an overview of his budget proposal. And don't miss the chance to share your ideas and views on the proposed budget at the upcoming public hearing on Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be held in the auditorium of the Carver Educational Services Center, 850 Hungerford Drive in Rockville. [Sign up](#) in advance at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/boe/community/participation.aspx> to speak at the January 17 hearing.



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Futuremakers programs consist of experiential learning activities where you take on the roles, personalities, expectations, and experiences of engineers, designers, and fabricators. Discover the challenges of invention! Turn problems and mistakes into creative challenges, and learn the skills to work through them with practice, collaboration, *and serious play*.

Instructors are from the Montgomery College faculty and staff, Montgomery County Public Schools, and the Montgomery County community. Builders of the Future accepts students on a first-come, first-served basis.

The cost for this one-day program is \$80. Although students are escorted between classes, staff members are available to assist students in locating their assigned classrooms. Parents are cordially invited to accompany their children to Futuremakers at no additional charge. While students are sharing this exciting educational experience, a special optional workshop for parents will be held from 9:15–11:15 a.m. (see page 3). Separate registration is required for parent workshop.

Montgomery College and the Montgomery County Public Schools are cooperatively presenting this enrichment opportunity for interested and able students to explore topics outside the school curriculum.

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Saturday, February 9, 2013

8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Montgomery College
Germantown Campus
20200 Observation Drive
Germantown, MD 20876

*Report to: Globe Hall in the High Technology
and Science Center to check in.*

8:30–8:45 a.m.	Check In
8:45–8:55 a.m.	Welcome/Opening Remarks
9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Morning Session
9:15–11:15 a.m.	Parent Session (Optional)
12–12:30 p.m.	Lunch (Brown Bag)
12:30–3:30 p.m.	Afternoon Session

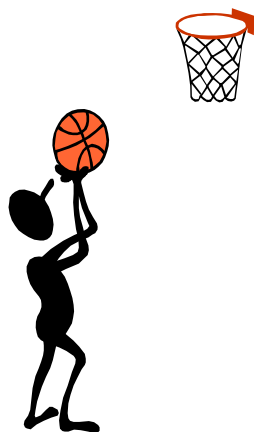
Save the Date!

Important events you won't want to miss!



January 14-18	Semester Exams
January 14	Periods 2 & 7
January 15	Periods 4 & 5
January 16	Periods 1 & 6
January 17	Period 3 & PM Make-up exams
January 18	AM Make-up exams
January 18	2 nd Marking Period Ends
January 21	Holiday, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (No School)
January 22	Professional Day for Teachers (No School for Students)
January 25	8 th Grade Newseum Field Trip
January 28	Blue Ribbon Day (Wear Blue)
January 31	Report Card Distribution
January 31	Science Expo (5:30 p.m.)

Activity buses are provided Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, except on early dismissal days or the day before a holiday. Buses leave JPMS at 4:00 p.m.



Basketball Schedule

(practice is on Tuesdays and Thursdays)

January 24	Boys play King at JPMS (2:40 p.m.)
January 24	Girls play King at King (3:00 p.m.)
January 31	Girls play Kingsview at JPMS (2:40 p.m.)
January 31	Boys play Kingsview at Kingsview (3:00 p.m.)
*February 5	Girls play Baker at JPMS (2:40 p.m.)—rescheduled 1/10
*February 5	Boys play Baker at Baker (3:00 p.m.)
February 7	Boys play Clemente at JPMS (2:40 p.m.)
February 7	Girls play Clemente at Clemente (3:00 p.m.)

Don't miss
the Science
Expo!

January 31!

See the great work our science students have done! Watch for more details in the next issue -

PHS NEWS

Go Falcons!



Boys Varsity Basketball

January 11	7:00 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. Albert Einstein HS at PHS
January 22	7:00 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. Watkins Mill HS at PHS
January 25	7:00 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. Seneca Valley HS at PHS
January 26	6:00 p.m.	(A)	PHS at Gettysburg HS

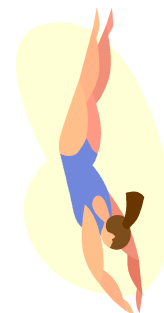


Girls Varsity Basketball

January 11	7:00 p.m.	(A)	PHS vs. Albert Einstein HS at Albert Einstein HS
January 22	5:15 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. Watkins Mill HS at PHS
January 25	5:15 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. Seneca Valley HS at PHS

CoEd Varsity Swim and Dive

January 12	5:15 p.m.	(A)	PHS vs. Northwest HS at Rockville SC
January 19	5:15 p.m.	(A)	PHS vs. Sherwood HS at Rockville SC
January 26	9:15 a.m.	(A)	PHS vs. Churchill HS at Germantown SC



Boys Varsity Wrestling

January 12	1:00 p.m.	(A)	PHS vs. Northwood HS at Northwood HS
January 12	1:00 p.m.	(A)	PHS vs. Kennedy HS at Northwood HS
January 23	6:00 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. Springbrook HS at PHS
January 26	2:30 p.m.	(H)	PHS vs. B-CC HS at PHS



The class of 2013 has been selling reusable grocery bags. Some are still available at \$3.00 per bag. Get yourself a nice bag for stowing all your store bought goodies in and let everyone know you have Falcon Pride! See [Order Form](#) for details!

Would you like to place an ad in the 2013 Poolesville High School Yearbook? There's still time. See this [FLYER](#) for details, or visit JostensAdService.com All orders are due by Tuesday, January 22, 2013. You may order online or contact Jostens for an order form at (800) 358-0800.

Call John Poole!

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Counseling 301-972-7980
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Technology & Arts IRT & Grade Level Coordinator	- Mr. Grotenhuis
English IRT	- Mrs. Lindsay
Social Studies IRT	- Ms. Nachlas
Math IRT	- Mr. McKay
Science IRT	- Mrs. Callaghan
Counseling - (Ms. Kitts, Secretary)	Mrs. Arnold - Mrs. Hardy

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Our Vision:

The Timberwolf community experiences joy in learning, celebrates excellence, and values positive relationships.

Our Mission:

At John Poole Middle School,
our mission is to:

- promote joy in learning through motivation and engagement
- celebrate excellence by acknowledging achievement
- foster a shared responsibility for academic and social success
- value positive relationships, thereby promoting a respectful and supportive learning environment

