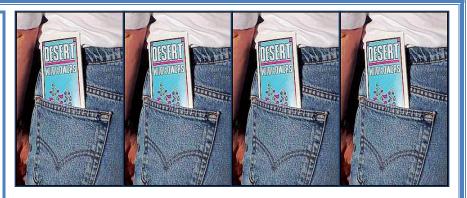
John Poole's BACK POCKET



April 19, 2013

A Thought for Today:

Our spring has come at last with the soft laughter of April suns and shadow of April showers.

- Byron Caldwell Smith

It's Tough Being a Parent

This week with the warmer spring weather showing up, I have taken phone calls from a number of moms inquiring about dress codes. First, I want to say a big THANKS. I really appreciate parents who are concerned about sending their kids to school in appropriate clothing. We call it "dressing for success" when we explain to kids that school is their place of business, not a party or the beach, so they need to come ready for work.

Next, I want to say how glad I am that my own kids are grown and I don't have to buy their school clothes anymore! Over spring break I checked out the stores, and it's very hard again this year to find outfits in middle school sizes that are neither babyish nor too mature. Parents have their work cut out for them!

The general guidelines are that student clothing cannot advertise or display alcoholic beverages, drugs, or violence; that both boys and girls must cover their underwear; and that clothing cannot distract others from instruction. For kids this age, it isn't the sequins and glitter that are so stylish these days that distract others – it's the suggestive outfits that are too skimpy, too revealing or too tight.

You've seen them – lacy tops with very little solid cloth involved; cut outs and open backs that may cover lingerie straps in front but not across the shoulders or in back; boys' shorts with waist bands several inches too big; micro shorts with legs just long enough to roll up once (which makes them disappear.) All these styles are adorable – in their place. At school, we want to see regular old short-sleeved tee shirts that are big enough to let some air circulate and shorts with actual legs. Many kids still like their jeans or capris this time of year, which helps.

One style I'm delighted to welcome is the popularity of glasses. Kids with perfect vision are wearing blank lenses, and that makes it acceptable for kids who need their glasses to see to keep them on their noses all day. Please encourage your child to wear those prescription glasses to every class!

— Charlotte Boucher

Honor Roll Corrections

Last week's Honor Roll listing did not include **Tucker Ross**, but he belongs on the Grade 8 Honor Roll. **Timothy McIntyre** was on the list, but he should have been designated as having earned **all As!**

My apologies to these great 8th graders. Congratulations, men! Your hard work has paid off in grades we are all proud of.



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!

Justin Green Michael Gross

Josephine Mallow Samme Mullikin

Shirley Quito Katrina Rowe



Ryan Haddaway

Wilhelmina Prasada-Rao

Molly Sherman

Read Across Maryland Program

The English department would like to recognize and congratulate the following 15 students for participating in the Read Across Maryland program! These students made a commitment to read for 30 minutes for 30 days in the month of March. Great job!

Dwight (DJ) Bevley

Quin Brenholtz

Gabby Brooks

Vincent Chim

Meghan Cox

Kenydi Cross

Matthew Gimbrere

Clara Jackson

Luke Lightcap

Casandra Maier

Stephanie Parker Maddy Peek Ali Ransom Katrina Rowe Begonia Zapata

Special thanks to our local Subway Sandwich Shop at 19710 Fisher Ave in the Poolesville Village Center for generously donating gift cards for our participants. Our community partners make a real difference by supporting student success!



Award-winning Author in 6th Grade

Congratulations to sixth grader **Gwen Boe** and her English teacher, Ms. Rice, on Gwen's story "A Mixture to Remember" taking first place in the 3rd annual "Celebrating Diversity through Creative Writing" contest. **Grace Bodmer, Elise Evans, Ali Ransom** and **Katrina Rowe** also participated. Entries were submitted from 19 middle schools across the county, so the competition was stiff. Winners will be honored at an award ceremony in late May.





This creative writing contest is a collaborative project sponsored by MCPS, Friends of the Library, and the Montgomery County Public Library system.





Honor Roll Celebrations

April 23, 2013

Grade 6 - 12:50

Grade 7 - 10:30

Grade 8 - 8:40

in the Auxiliary Gym

Parents and Families

Are Cordially Invited to Attend



Save the Date!

Literacy Night May 7

Pizza dinner at 6:00 PM Activities begin at 6:30 PM Games!

Crafts

DRAMA!

BOOK Fair!

Shakespeare!

Meet a Local Published Author, too!

Good Books, Pizza and Cookies -

a Winning Combination

Each year, the Maryland Association of School Librarians nominates a slate of children's books in age groups ranging from Picture Books to High School in competition for the Black-eyed Susan Awards. These awards are special not just because they are given by our state, but because children select the winners through an online voting process.

Ms. McIntyre and Ms. Seligman sponsored our program this year. Students who had read at least 3 nominees were eligible to vote. The polling took place at pizza parties in the media center during Thursday's lunch, but the menu wasn't just pizza – students decorated cookies for dessert, too.

Check out the Black-eyed Susan nominees for 2013 as you think about summer reading for all the kids in the family!











The Black-Eyed Susan Committee of the Maryland Association of School Librarians is pleased to announce the 2012-2013 nominees.

Picture Book

Banks, Kate – *Max's Castle*

Bardhan-Quallen, Sudipta – Hampire!

Czekaj, Jef – Cat Secrets

Emmett, Jonathan – The Princess and the Pig

Hall, Michael – *Perfect Square*

Kajikawa, Kimiko – Tsunami!

Knudsen, Michelle – *Argus*

Langdo, Bryan - Tornado Slim and the Magic Cowboy Hat

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs – The Chiru of High Tibet: a True Story

McDonnell, Patrick – Me... Jane

Metzger, Steve – *Detective Blue*

Napoli, Donna Jo – Mama Miti: Wangari Maathai and the Trees of Kenya

Rocco, John - Blackout

Sweet, Melissa – Balloons Over Broadway: the True Story of the Puppeteer of the Macy's Parade

Vamos, Samantha R. – The Cazuela that the Farm Maiden Stirred

Grades 4-6 Nominees

Couloumbis, Audrey – *Jake*

Ferrari, Michael – *Born to Fly*

Holm, Jennifer L. – The Trouble with May Amelia

Lai, Thanhha - Inside Out & Back Again

Lewis, Gill – Wild Wings

Nolen, Jerdine – Eliza's Freedom Road: an Underground Railroad Diary

Ray, Delia – Here Lies Linc

Rhodes, Jewel Parker – *Ninth Ward*

Schwabach, Karen - The Storm Before Atlanta

Wells, Rosemary – On the Blue Comet

Grades 6-9 Nominees

Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker - Jefferson's Sons: a Founding Father's Secret Children

Choldenko, Gennifer - No Passengers Beyond This Point

Deuker, Carl – Payback Time

Frost, Helen – *Hidden*

Schreiber, Joe - Au Revoir, Crazy European Chick

Sepetys, Ruta – *Between Shades of Gray*

Shusterman, Neal – Bruiser

Skloot, Rebecca – The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

Stiefvater, Maggie – The Scorpio Races

Stork, Francisco X. – *The Last Summer of the Death Warriors*

Supplee, Suzanne – Somebody Everybody Listens To







Student Service Learning News

Earth Day 2013

Earth Day is April 22nd, but in Montgomery County it's celebrated during the entire month of April. There are many environmental volunteer projects throughout the month. Get involved in cleaning up the Potomac River Watershed, pulling invasive weeds, and many other local events and projects.

Get your hands dirty and help keep our community clean! This is a great opportunity for students to earn Student Service Learning (SSL) hours while participating in worthwhile activities with family and friends.

MCPS students must complete 75 Student Service Learning hours as a requirement for graduation. They can begin earning SSL hours the summer after 5th grade.

Click here to find out more about Earth Day activities or go to the Montgomery County Volunteer Center's website www.montgomeryserves.org.

Earn SSL Hours Help African Families Enjoy a Springtime Nature Walk



Students and their families are invited to take part in A Walk for Water, designed to engage local students in helping bring water and humanitarian aid to children and families living in Niger, West Africa.

Participation in this activity, sponsored by nonprofit Amman Imman: Water is Life, is eligible for SSL credit for MCPS students.

- When: Saturday, May 11, 2013, 9:00 AM 1:00 PM
- Where: Locust Grove Nature Center at Cabin John Regional Park 7777 Democracy Blvd, Bethesda, MD
- Who: Students of all ages and their families
- What: Walk 3 miles on wooded nature trails to raise funds and awareness
- Schedule: 9:00 AM check-in and pre-walk activities

10:00 AM rally

10:30 AM walk (around 2 hours)

Cost: \$15/adult, \$10/student. Discounts available upon request.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged. Please visit the Locust Grove Information page for links to online and paper registration options, and fundraising tools, or go directly to the event registration page on FirstGiving.

DON'T WAIT TO GET SUMMER APPROVAL



Following the close of school June 14, 2013 and throughout the summer months, students submitting completed MCPS Form 560-50, *Individual SSL Request* to the SSL Office must allow

2 weeks for consideration and approval.

Remember: All SSL must be preapproved. (Either identified as MCPS SSL approved, with a graduation cap icon on the website www.mpcsssl.org, <u>OR</u> approval of MCPS Form 560-50 in advance of the service.)

Granting approval of last minute submissions of MCPS Form 560-50 during the summer months cannot be guaranteed.

SSL Office: 301-279-3454 SSL Fax: 301-517-8166



1800 Glenallan Ave. Wheaton MD 20902

Brookside Gardens Volunteer Opportunities Spring & Summer 2013



Volunteer just for fun or earn your Student Service Learning hours at Brookside Gardens. Student Service Learning opportunities are indicated by "SSL opportunity!" Family volunteer opportunities are for volunteers 11-13 accompanied by a parent or guardian, and indicated by "Family Volunteering!" All other volunteer opportunities are for youth and adults age 16 and up, or as indicated below. "Great for Groups!" indicates group volunteer opportunities.

Earth Day Garden Project Volunteers 14 and older (or 11-13 with a parent) will help remove invasive weeds from the garden beds. Sunday, April 21 9:00 a.m. to noon. SSL opportunity! Family Volunteering! Great for Groups!

Earth Day Festival (age 14 and up) Volunteers will help set up and conduct children's crafts and activities at our annual Earth Day festival. Sunday, April 21, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. **SSL opportunity! Great for Groups!**

Children's Weeklong Program Assistants (age 14 and up) Volunteers help with daily set-up, conduct children's crafts, and provide educational information during ongoing week long day programs for school-age children March 25-29 and June 17-21, and for select summer camps, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each day. **SSL opportunity!**

Wings of Fancy Live Butterfly & Caterpillar Exhibit: Flight Attendants and Ticket Takers Volunteers 14 and older (or 11-13 with a parent) are needed May 4 through September 22 at this annual display of North American, Asian, and Costa Rican butterflies. Flight Attendants work inside the exhibit helping visitors experience the live butterflies, while Ticket Takers work outside the exhibit greeting visitors and facilitating their entrance. Training is provided on-line and in person. SSL opportunity! Family Volunteering!

Wings of Fancy Tour Guides (age 14 and up) Tour guides meet small school groups (10-15 participants) weekdays in May and September and take them on a guided, informative walk through the Butterfly House. Training is provided.

Butterfly Exhibit Gardener Assistants (age 16 and up) Volunteers are needed one day a week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) 8:00 am -9:45 am. Volunteers will help with planting, deadheading, grooming soil, scouting for pests and removing deceased butterflies.

Conservatory Gardener Assistants (age 16 and up) Volunteers are needed one day a week (Wednesday or Friday) 9:00 a.m. – noon or 1:30 pm - 4:00 p.m. Volunteers will help with grooming plants and removing and changing seasonal displays. This position requires lots of kneeling and working in uneven surfaces. Volunteers should have great attention to detail and be able to work independently.

Gift Shop Assistants (age 16 and up) assist in the operations of the Visitors Center and Conservatory Shops. Basic computer skills are required to operate the cash register. Work shifts are 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m. or 1:00p.m.-4:00p.m. Monday - Saturday and 12 noon – 4:00p.m. on Sundays. **SSL opportunity!**

Information Desk Attendants (age 18 and up) Volunteers are stationed at the Visitors Center information desk, greeting visitors and providing information. Volunteers work at least one day a week, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm or 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Gardener Assistants (age 16 and up) This work, while sometimes physically demanding, provides volunteers the opportunity to work with professional horticulture staff and enhance their own knowledge of plants and gardening techniques. Volunteers assist weekdays with planting and care of a wide variety of ornamental plants, including weeding, pruning, watering, grooming, staking, and deadheading, preparing garden beds, mulching, and general clean-up. **SSL opportunity!**

Conservatory Show Change Assistants (age 16 and up) Volunteers will assist gardener in pruning, digging and repotting large tropical plants, placing ceramic containers and filling them with soil. Must be able to lift 50 pounds and be tolerant of hot, humid greenhouse conditions. April 15-19, April 22-26, September 30-October 4, shifts 1:30 - 4:00 p.m. each day. (??)

Invasive Weed Eradication Volunteer (age 18 and up) Volunteers are needed to clear garden areas of invasive ivy and other non-native invasive species in advance of landscape renovation. Volunteers work independently and under the direction of garden staff. **Great for Groups!**

Special Projects Volunteers (age 16 and up) assist in various projects within Brookside Gardens for mailings, special events or for occasional drop-in workdays. Volunteers will be notified by email when a special project need arises.

Additional volunteer opportunities may be available.

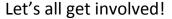
Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at (301) 962-1429 or MCP-GardenVolunteer@MontgomeryParks.org to request information on submitting a volunteer application and for more information.

Support Our Elementary School!

Poolesville Elementary School is planning a make-over weekend next month!

Everyone is invited to join in this effort to beautify the school on Saturday and Sunday, May 4 and 5.

We all can make a contribution! Donations of equipment, talent, materials and cash are needed. Helping hands can come for a just little while or the whole weekend!



- Who: Everyone! Middle and high school students can earn Student Service Learning hours and families can show their community spirit.
 Please remember that young children require supervision and stay to work with them.
- When: Saturday, May 4th & Sunday, May 5th, 2013, 9:00 AM 5:00 PM.
- Where: Poolesville Elementary School, 19565 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville, MD 20837
- Why: To make our world a better place.
- **How**: Volunteer, donate, tell your friends, or come cheer us on! All donations and help welcome.
- **Contact**: Elizabeth Ohmen 510-673-5312, or Ross Ohmen 510-673-5310, or rohmen@earthlink.net

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...

Stepping Up to Serve
We need officers and

committee chairs for next year

Volunteer Your Time and Join the PTSA!

Please contact Lori Kocur at <u>kocurs@verizon.net</u> 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

Contact our President, Jennifer Kasten, or any officer to let them know you're ready to step up and take a leadership role. We need your skills!



Which school will be the winner of \$1000?

Poolesville Town Cleaners 5th Anniversary Appreciation Event

Double the Happiness

One, Voting for Schools

1st place \$1,000 2nd Place \$500

P.T. Cleaners will Donate to Schools on Monday, 10 Jun

- Customers will put a sticker on a board for their favorite schools
- Every order has a right to vote
- A sticker will be given when you pick up your order

TWO, Items on Sale

1st Week 4/1~4/13

\$25 Any Comforters,

\$29 Any Down Comforters

2nd Week 4/15~4/27

5 for 4 on Men's Laundry Dress Shirts

3rd Week 4/29~5/11

3 For 2 on Sweaters

4th Week 5/13~5/25

3 For 2 on any Pants

5th Week 5/27~6/8

2 For 1 on Pants Hemming



19616B Fisher Ave Poolesville

Mon~Fri 7:30~7:00, Sat 8:00~5:00, Sun Closed

When: 4/1/2013~6/8/2013



COLLEGE SUCCESS

College
Preparation
and
Scholarship Fair

Saturday, April 27, 2013 1-4 p.m.

The Universities at Shady Grove 9630 Gudelsky Drive Rockville, MD 20850

Save the date for a special collaborative event for middle and high school students and their parents!

- Learn what you can do to open your path to successful college experiences
- Meet representatives from various careers, colleges, universities, and scholarship organizations
- Learn about financial aid and scholarship opportunities

This event is sponsored by the following educational institutions.



Registration is

available through the

Parent Academy.

www.mcpsparentacademy.org

Check-in from 12-1 p.m.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS







P.E. Unforms Discounted

The P.E. Dept. has a limited supply of uniforms left over from the sales this year. The uniforms are 50% off of their selling price. The shirts can be purchased for \$5.00 and the shorts can be purchased for \$7.50. We currently have a stock of Youth Large, Adult Small, Adult Large, Adult X-Large and Adult XX-Large shorts. For the shirts, we have stock of Adult Small, Adult Medium, Adult, Large and Adult XX-Large. If you are interested in purchasing a full uniform or part of a uniform, please contact Kim Gerrie at 301-972-7979 ext. 144 or e-mail at Kimberly S Gerrie@mcpsmd.org. Stock is limited, so please don't wait to get this great deal!

Lakeforest Art Show

Support your fellow students by visiting the Lakeforest Art Show! The work of several John Poole Middle School students will be on display, along with artwork from other middle and elementary schools in Montgomery County.

Arts Fair Dates: Wednesday, April 17 - Sunday, April 21, 2013

Times: Wednesday, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m; Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Sunday, 11:00 -

4:00 p.m. (please note the show comes down right at 4:00 p.m.)

Place: Lakeforest Mall (701 Russell Ave., Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877)

Walking Club

A walking club through intramurals will be held every Wednesday beginning April 24 until May 29. This club will allow you to work out with your friends. We will walk and talk about making healthy choices. We will walk on campus and also be taking advantage of the beautiful neighborhood of Hunters Run on our walks. ECA fees are required and students must be academically eligible. Paperwork can be picked up from the clubs sponsor, Mrs. Earle or in the locker rooms.

MCPS Launches New Mobile-Friendly Website

MCPS has launched a new mobile-friendly website that allows visitors an optimal viewing experience whether they are using a computer, tablet, or smartphone. The site is built using responsive web design that adjusts the site for whatever device is being used. Currently, the MCPS home page (www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org) and all of the top-level pages on the MCPS website are in the new mobile-friendly format. While the new website is not an "app," an icon may be placed on the home screen of most devices. This may be done simply be calling up the site and clicking "Add to Home Screen."

- To view how to add an icon on an iPhone or iPad, visit <u>www.apple.com/ios/add-to-home-screen/</u>
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MCPS lanza nuevo sitio móvil

MCPS ha lanzado un nuevo sitio de internet móvil que permite a los visitantes una experiencia de visualización óptima si están usando una computadora, tableta o teléfono inteligente. El sitio está construido utilizando un diseño de páginas de internet sensible el cual ajusta el sitio a cualquier dispositivo. En la actualidad, la página principal de MCPS (www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org) y todas las páginas de nivel superior en la página de internet de MCPS se encuentran en el nuevo formato móvil. Mientras que el nuevo sitio de internet no es una "aplicación", se puede colocar un icono en la pantalla principal de la mayoría de dispositivos. Esto se puede hacer simplemente accesando el sitio y hacer clic en "Añadir a pantalla de inicio".

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To All JPMS 7th Grade Parents

The end of the school year is still a few months away, but we have started planning the end of the year event for our 7th graders. We would like to take them all to Smokey Glen Farm on **Thursday**, **June 13**, **2013** for games, food and fun. In order to minimize the cost per student, we are asking for approximately 25-30 parent drivers to take students to and from the school and Smokey Glen Farm. We will also need 8-12 of these parents to stay as chaperones for the full day.



If you volunteer to be a driver:

Drivers will need to have seat belted seats for the number of students they agree to transport. They will need to be at the school at 7:30 AM on **June 13th** and will be assigned specific students to transport. We will leave the school by 8:00 AM. Drivers, if they do not stay as chaperones, will need to return to Smokey Glen to pick up the same children by 1:30 PM so we can return to the school by 2:00 PM.

If you also volunteer to be a chaperone:

Chaperones will be drivers as stated above and will need to pay the adult event cost of \$16 which includes lunch. Chaperones will also be available to assist JPMS staff with supervision of student activities during the day. We need to know as soon as possible if we will have enough drivers/chaperones to support this event.

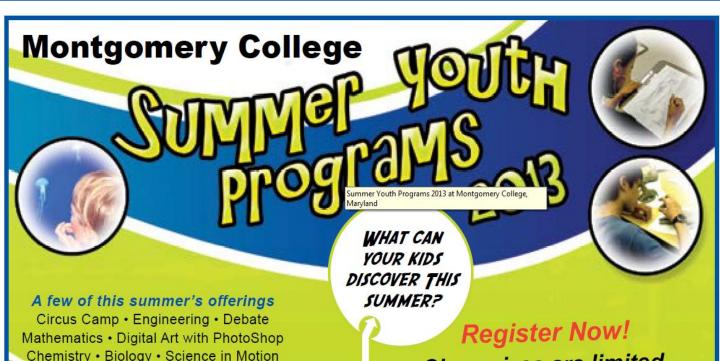
If you can volunteer to be a chaperone and/or driver, please respond to Twyla Insalaco <u>tliemail@verizon.net</u> immediately with the following information:

- Name, email address and cell phone number (in case we need to reach you on that day)
- Whether you are volunteering as just a driver or also a chaperone
- Number of students you can transport (REMEMBER you must have seat belted seats for all students)

Student permission slips for the end of the year event will be distributed at JPMS on May 1st. Student payments will be payable to John Poole Middle School and returned to their Social Studies teacher.

Parent chaperone payments of \$16 should be made by **separate check** payable to **JPMS PTSA** and should be included with student forms and fees by the deadline given.

Thanks for your support!



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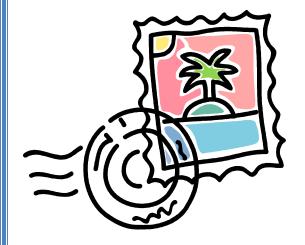
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Asistencia en Español Disponible



8th Grade **'Island Adventure'' Dance**

Attention JPMS Parents!

We are looking for donations of Gift Cards for prizes during the 8th Grade Dance.

How can you help? It's easy – just pick up \$10.00 Gift Cards and send them to JPMS to the attention of Judy McKenney or Helen Trainor no later than May 17th.

Thank you so much for your donations...let's make this a dance the 8th Graders will remember for a lifetime!



When you open your yearbook for the first time...and again in 10 years... What will you remember?





















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2012-2013

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Save the Date!

Important events you won't want to miss!



April 22 6th Grade Field Trip to Lincoln Memorial, M.L. King Jr. Memorial and Frederick

Douglass House

April 23 Honor Roll Celebrations

Grade 8 - 8:40 a.m Grade 7 - 10:30 a.m. Grade 6 - 12:50 p.m.

April 25 7th Grade College Field Trip to UMBC

April 25 Take Your Child to Work Day

April 25 8th Grade Career Day

April 29 Blue Ribbon Monday

April 29-May 2 MAP-R Testing

May 1 Book Fair Begins

May 3 8th Grade Field Trip to Ford's Theater

Soccer Schedule

April 24 April 24	Girls play Neelsville at JPMS (2:50 p.m.) Boys play Neelsville at Neelsville (3:15 p.m.)	
April 30 April 30	Girls play Kingsview at JPMS (2:50 p.m.) Boys play Kingsview at Kingsview (3:15 p.m.)	
May 2 May 2	Boys play Rocky Hill at JPMS (2:50 p.m.) Girls play Rocky Hill at Rocky Hill (3:15 p.m.)	
May 9 May 9	Boys play Baker at JPMS (2:50 p.m.) Girls play Baker at Baker (3:15 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.

PHS NEWS

Go Falcons!





The Midnight Players will present GUYS AND DOLLS with the music and lyrics by Frank Loesser, based on the book by Jo Swerling and Abe Burrowson. Performances will be Thursday, April 25, 7:00 pm, Friday, April 26, 7:30 pm, and Saturday, April 27, 2:00 and 7:30 pm.

Time for this year's Spring Musical!

Tickets may be purchased online at the PHS Online Store

Varsity Baseball

April 20

Boys Varsity	Lacrosse			
April 19	5:15 p.m.	PHS vs. Rockville HS at Rockville HS		
April 23	7:00 p.m.	PHS vs. Northwood HS at PHS		
April 29	5:15 p.m.	PHS vs. Seneca Valley HS at Seneca Valley HS		
Girls Varsity Lacrosse				
April 19	7:00 p.m.	PHS vs. Rockville HS at PHS		
April 23	5:00 p.m.	PHS vs. Northwood HS at Northwood HS		
April 29	7:00 p.m.	PHS vs. Seneca Valley HS at PHS		

1:30 p.m.



CoEd Varsity Track/Field

April 23 3:30 p.m. PHS vs. Northwest HS at Quince Orchard HS
April 23 3:30 p.m. PHS vs. Quince Orchard HS at Quince Orchard HS
May 1 3:30 p.m. PHS vs. Watkins Mill HS at Watkins Mill HS



PHS vs. Magruder HS at PHS April 22 3:30 p.m. April 24 3:30 p.m. PHS vs. Paint Branch HS at PHS April 27 1:30 p.m. PHS vs. Northwest HS at PHS April 30 3:00 p.m. PHS vs. Damascus HS at Damascus HS Varsity Softball PHS vs. Quince Orchard HS at Quince Orchard HS April 20 1:30 p.m. PHS vs. Paint Branch HS at PHS April 23 3:30 p.m. PHS vs. Watkins Mill HS at PHS April 25 3:30 p.m. April 27 1:30 p.m. PHS vs. Northwest HS at PHS April 29 3:30 p.m. PHS vs. Damascus HS at Damascus HS

PHS vs. Quince Orchard HS at Quince Orchard HS

CoEd Varsity Volleyball	
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Call John Poole!

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Counseling 301-972-7980
Cafeteria 301-407-1037
Health Room 301-407-1029



And Ask for...

Principal - Mrs. Boucher Assistant Principal - Ms. Lemon
Technology & Arts IRT & Grade Level Coordinator
English IRT - Mrs. Lindsay
Social Studies IRT - Ms. Nachlas
Math IRT - Mrs. Callaghan
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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