



October 4, 2013

John Poole's **BACK POCKET**

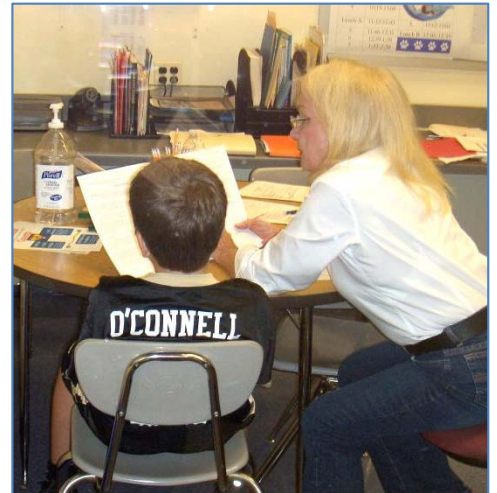
A Thought for Today:

“If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself.”

- Henry Ford

Working Together for Our Kids

This has been a stressful week, hasn't it? The government shutdown and a deadly car chase in Washington have packed the news with sad reports and predictions of economic doom – just when we were hoping we'd turned a corner and things were beginning to trend up again. But here at John Poole, nothing has interrupted the work we share on behalf of our students.



Blue Ribbon Week rolled out successfully with effective collaboration among the schools and community. I hope you didn't miss the Town Hall sign! Mrs. Bradshaw came out on two separate days to give our parents and students the opportunity to learn more about the high school's special programs. Our Science Department chair, Mrs. Callaghan, and a number of students worked to prepare a presentation to the town commissioners Monday night clarifying the school's and PTSA's joint request for a grant to help pay for the WeatherBug station that our PTSA has been raising money for. The PTSA has also opened registration this week for the after school prep class they provide for 8th graders applying to the PHS magnets (see the registration information later in this issue.) This morning, the music room was full of parents, students and staff celebrating this month's Student Leaders of the Pack. Tomorrow is the first Saturday School of the year – an opportunity for students to come to school on the weekend to get themselves caught up on their work or to get a little extra help. This is a school community where collaboration flourishes!

Most of my friends who have been on furlough this week are whittling down their “Honey Do” lists and taking advantage of the good weather to get some yard work out of the way. If you find yourself with some unexpected down-time, you might think about ways to be a collaborator, too. The most direct route is to work with your own child to make sure the binder is organized; assignments are being recorded, done and turned in; your Edline account is up and running; and you're aware of any social or academic concerns your son or daughter is facing. Just taking time to talk over how he or she feels about the school year so far is a great way to put time to good use.

Of course, we're always glad to have volunteers, so if you suddenly have a little time, give us a call or drop in at JPMS and we'll take advantage of your help! Thanks ! - Charlotte Boucher

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!



Morgan Bliss

Tim Dominici

Isaac Kasuske

Madeline Brode,

Joe Esser

Brandon Sier

Madeline Burdette

Ryan Kasten

Clark Trone

Student Leaders of the Pack

At JPMS, we focus every day on helping our students to be as successful as possible, both academically and personally. Part of that focus is instilling the core values of **Timberwolf PRIDE: Purpose, Respect, Integrity, Dedication** and **Effort**, because we believe these qualities will support all students being the successful learners they want to be today and becoming the positive, contributing members of our community they can be all their lives.

Each month, the staff recognizes five students in each grade who are leaders and role models because they routinely demonstrate the components of Timberwolf PRIDE. We celebrate them at a ceremony on the first Friday of each month where they receive a certificate and are served a breakfast treat. Their pictures are proudly posted on a bulletin board in the front hall during the month in which they are being honored.

Congratulations to September's **Leaders of the Pack!**

6th Grade

- Purpose* - Sam Allgood
- Respect* - Rachel Tievy
- Integrity* - Madeline Brode
- Dedication* - Adja Connell
- Effort* - Ben Kovich

7th Grade

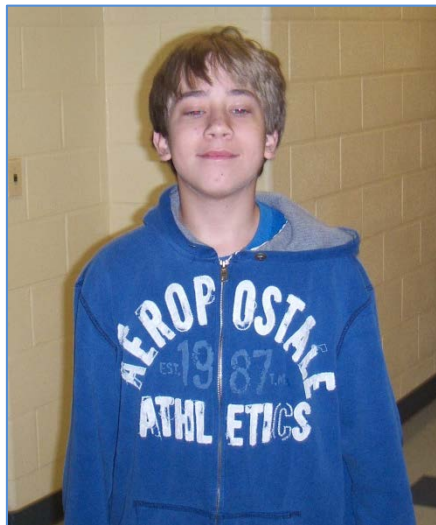
- Purpose* - Katrina Rowe
- Respect* - Lauren Chilla
- Integrity* - Sarah Mullikin
- Dedication* - Cade Seely
- Effort* - Meghan Cox

8th Grade

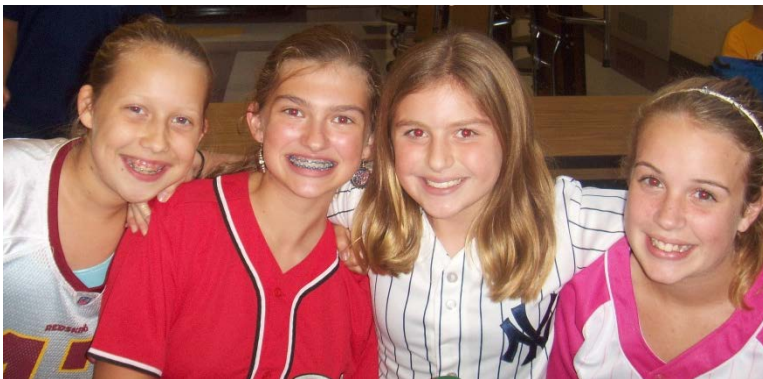
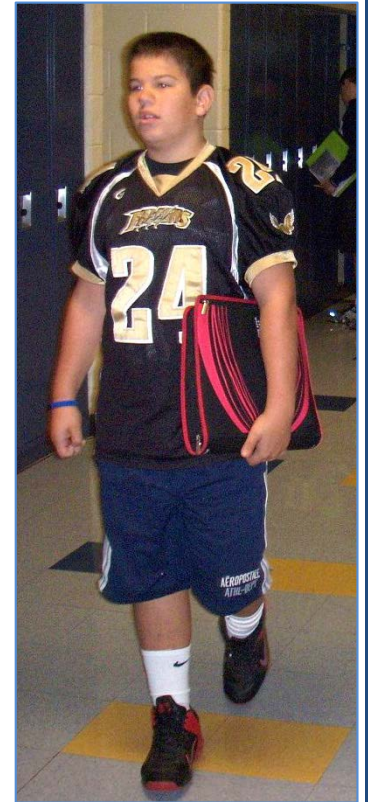
- Purpose* - Haley Harkins
- Respect* - Clara Jackson
- Integrity* - Lucas Stroud
- Dedication* - Brooke Hamm
- Effort* - Robert Siegrist



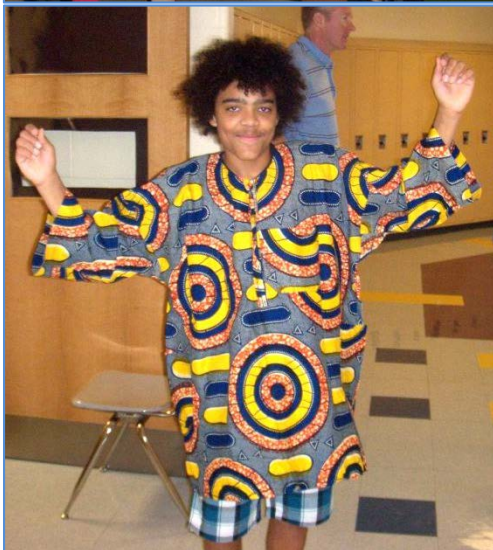
Some Blue Ribbon Week Highlights – Blue Monday



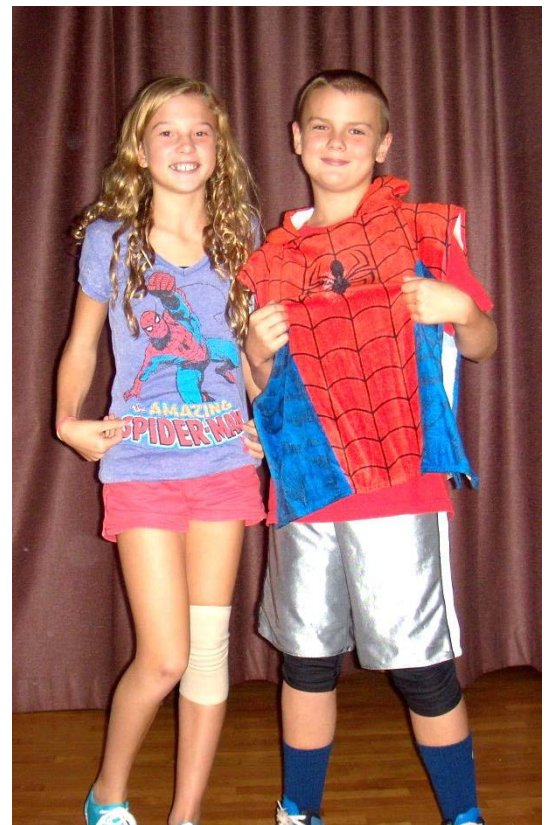
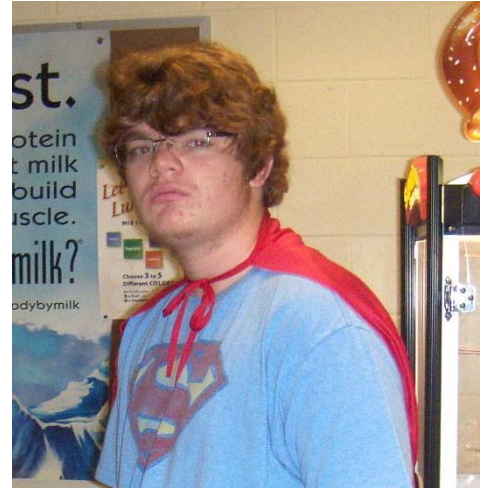
Team Tuesday



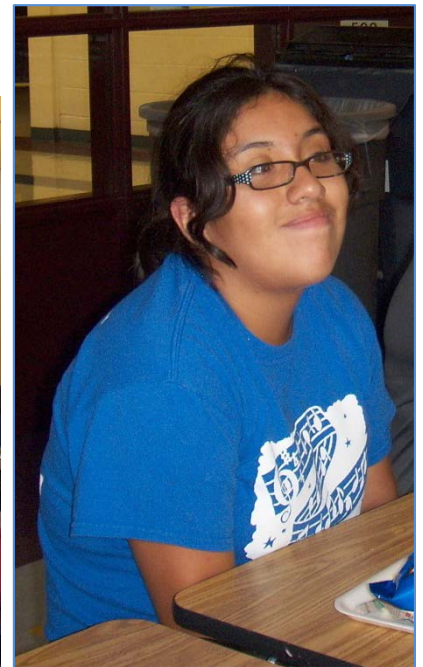
Wacky Wednesday



Hero Thursday



Spirit Friday



Kindness Counts!

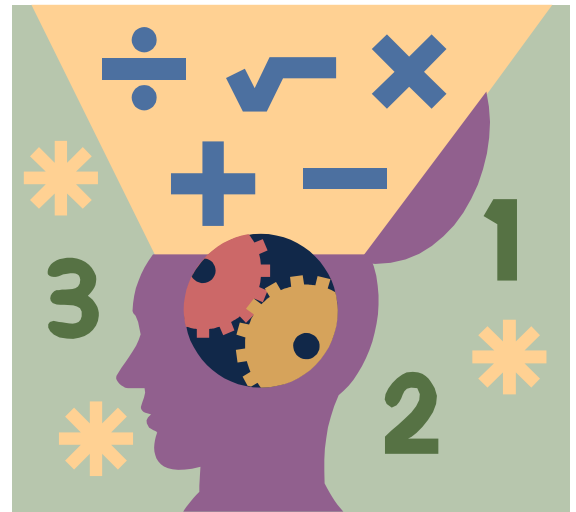


The Running Timberwolves Make a Strong Showing

The Cross Country Team hosted Roberto Clemente Middle School for the second of four meets last week. Despite 1st place finishes in both the boys and girls races by fleet footed **Ryan Lockett** and **Haley Harkins**, respectively, the Running Timberwolves were tracked down by a strong Roberto Clemente Middle School Team who won both contests. Notwithstanding the loss, new personal course records were established by **Darian Berger**, **Tiara Ventura** and **Grace Bodmer**. Next up, our JPMS runners head to Kingview Middle School for their first away meet.

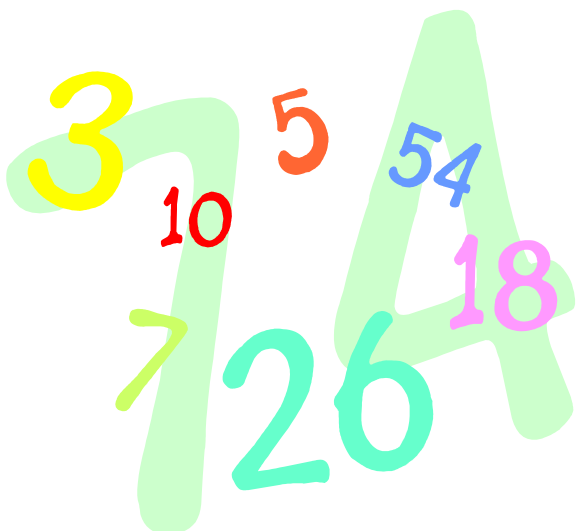
Could You Coach Our Mathletes?

Each year, the Middle School Montgomery County Math League invites teams from all over the county to compete in four math contests. The first meet of this school year is in November, so it's time to get our team up and practicing!



Unfortunately, our previous coach is not able to take on the team this year, so we are looking for a coach.

What do you need to do? Work with students to prepare – generally after school one day a week – and accompany the team to the four meets. That's it!



You don't have to be a math teacher to be a coach. If you have a strong background in math or a job that involves using math regularly, you would be fine. Practice materials are provided from the Math League and JPMS teachers will help you if you need a little brushing up.

MCPS pays a stipend of \$1,330 for coaching.

Interested? Got some questions? Please contact Mr. McKay at Michael_a_mckay@mcpsmd.org or 301-972-7979. Thanks!

John Poole Middle School



- Jennifer Kasten - President
- Neile Whitney - Vice President
- Hisaho Blair - Secretary
- Michelle Hobbs – Treasurer
- Wendy Gotlewski – Membership & Volunteers



Spotlight on...

Math

Our first PTSA meeting
will take place on October 8.

The subject will be the evolving MCPS Math
Curriculum and how JPMS is implementing it.

Questions? Ideas? Opinions?
Getting in touch with your PTSA is as easy
as sending an email message!

JPMSPTSA@gmail.com

Membership and volunteer forms are available at the JPMS website:

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

Take your first step in becoming involved at John Poole Middle School. Join the PTSA.

Both parents and students are welcome to join. Adult memberships are \$10; students are \$2. Upon registering, your family will receive a school directory.

There will be several informative meetings which you can attend throughout the year featuring topics pertinent to you, the parents of JPMS.

Registration forms are available through the JPMS website. You can now also pay online through [Online School Payments](#). If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Gotlewski at gotlewski@msn.com.

Don't miss the first PTSA
meeting of the year!

Tuesday, October 8

6:30 PM

JPMS Media Center

The topic is
MATH!

Algebra

IM

2.0

Boost

Common
Core

What
does it
all
mean?

JPMS Magnet Prep Class for Current 8th Graders



Goals:

- Clarify and answer questions about the application process
- Review math skills for the magnet assessment
- Review writing skills for the essay and magnet assessment

Dates: 4 sessions – Wednesdays, October 23 & 30, November 20 and December 4

Time: 2:30-4:00 p.m.

The activity bus can take them home.

Location: John Poole Middle School

Cost: \$15.00 cash or check (made out to JPMS PTA)

Space is limited to 50 students. ***Selection is on a first come, first serve basis (the order your check is received).***

Registrations for the magnet prep class will be accepted in the counseling office from Monday, October 7-Friday, October 11. October 11 is the final the deadline.

Magnet Application due to PHS: Friday, November 8, 2013 (The sessions on 10/23 & 10/30 will focus on the application.)

Magnet test: Saturday, December 7, 2013

Please take all registrations and checks to the Counseling Office.

Tear off and return bottom portion with check

Student's name _____

Amount _____ Date received _____

Phone number _____

- Please make checks payable to: JPMS PTA
- This is a PTA-sponsored event

I understand that it is my responsibility to demonstrate all Timberwolf Pride expectations during these classes or I may be asked to leave without a refund.

Student signature _____



Student Service Learning (SSL) Notes

Give a Little Time...Make a Big Difference

SSL is a graduation requirement...but it is also an opportunity! Explore careers, learn new skills, expand understanding, and strengthen character. If you can make a difference... do it!

- Learn about the SSL graduation requirement and how to meet it in MCPS by referring to the website www.mcpsssl.org.
- All SSL must be documented on MCPS Form 560-51, *Student Service Learning Activity Verification* and turned in the school-based SSL coordinator according to timelines. Mrs. Arnold is our SSL Coordinator.
- All summer SSL documentation is due to the school-based SSL coordinator no later than the last Friday in September (**September 27, 2013**).
- The MCPS SSL plan allows students to earn SSL hours in specific middle and high school courses, in school-sponsored clubs and organizations that have a service focus, and with approved, official nonprofit, tax exempt organizations in the community. Know the SSL guidelines and follow them!



Community Service Day

Be a part of Montgomery County's Community Service Day, Saturday, October 26th! Make a difference in your community by joining a project looking for volunteers or planning a project of your own that meets a need in your community the **week of October 20th-27th**. To tell us about your project or to find out more about volunteering during that week, visit the Volunteer Center's website, www.montgomeryserves.org/community-service-day-2013.

Up County Region Projects

[Beautify School Entrance](#) – Butler Montessori School

[Event Set Up Help](#) – Community Support Services

[Damascus Recreation Children's Garden](#) - Damascus Rec. Center

[Halloween Fun Run](#) - Family Services

[Pack Sandwiches for Homeless](#) - International Culture Center

[Spend a Day with Group Home Residents](#) – Jewish Federation of Greater Washington

[Event Preparation](#) – Menare Foundation

[Yard Maintenance and Landscaping](#) - Own Our Own of Montgomery County

[Poolesville Community Garden Work Day](#) – Poolesville Presbyterian Church

VOLUNTEER IN MONTGOMERY PARKS FALL 2013

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, OR TO APPLY
GO TO WWW.PARKSVOLUNTEERS.ORG

Great Pumpkin Fun, Meadowside Nature Center, Rockville

Friday, Oct. 18. Wear a family friendly and comfortable costume, and help us share some pumpkin fun! We need help with our trail hunt, teaching fun crafts, leading games and more! Training will be provided; shift is 9:15am to 1:30pm. Minimum Age is 14. **SSL approved.**



Nocturnal Neighbors Festival, Locust Grove Nature Center, Bethesda

Saturday, Oct 19. Help us celebrate our underappreciated nocturnal friends that keep our neighborhood parks and forests in balance. Assist our guests on night hikes, support our experts, and help with games, crafts and a campfire. Shift is 4:30 to 8:30pm, minimum Age is 14. **SSL approved.**

Fall Apple Festival, Brookside Nature Center, Wheaton

Sunday, October 20! Volunteer duties include leading craft activities, pressing cider, teaching about apple varieties, playing apple games, Set up/takedown and much more. Volunteers can sign up for 4 hour or 8 hour shifts, from approximately 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Minimum Age is 14. **SSL approved.**



Owl-O-Ween Campfire, Meadowside Nature Center, Rockville

Friday, Oct. 25. Help us show off how cool owls are this magical evening around the campfire! We will be sharing facts, folklore and fun...and S'mores! We need your help with setup, fun activities and cleanup. 5:15 to 8pm. Minimum Age is 14. **SSL approved.**

The C.P. Hauntington, Haunted Train, Wheaton Regional Park & Eye Spy Train, Cabin John

Various dates between October 12-30. Be a part of this fun and scary event in Wheaton and/or not so scary event in Cabin John! We need lots of volunteers to dress up as their favorite ghouls, princesses, etc. 16 and older (or 13 -15 with parent) in Wheaton or 14 and older at Cabin John. We need Face Painters for the weekends, too. Get your friends together for a fun night! **SSL approved.**



Fruit Flies Festival, Locust Grove Nature Center, Bethesda

Friday, November 1. Celebrating those tiny, annoying flies!?! Nah....we're just launching apples into the air. It's all part of our seasonal seed dispersal bash. Help us fling apples into the meadow, make flying seeds and seed 'bombs', and teach our visitors how seeds stick to us and our animal friends. Shift is **9am-1:30pm. SSL approved.**

Natural Surface Trail Workdays

Build new trail, repair erosion, stabilize muddy tread with bridge construction. Connect with new people trail building and maintenance techniques while The minimum age to volunteer is 16, but sometimes old can volunteer if accompanied by an adult. **SSL**



surfaces, and help and learn about getting exercise. youth 12-15 years **approved.**



Park and Stream Cleanups

We are gearing up for a busy fall with many cleanup days, starting with a Day to Serve & National Public Lands Day in September and Community Service Week in October. Minimum age is 14 on your own, but younger volunteers are welcome with a parent. Go to www.montgomeryparks.org/team/npld.shtm to see different locations/dates, or to sign up to host your own cleanup! **SSL approved.**

Other “Long Term” Volunteer Opportunities available:

Nature Center Host/Hostess; Oakley Cabin Docent; Volunteer Naturalist; Historic Interpretation Docents; Gardeners and Groundskeepers; Trail Rangers, and many more opportunities with all the details are on our website at www.ParksVolunteers.org.

Questions about these opportunities or how to apply?

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES, OR TO APPLY
GO TO WWW.PARKSVOLUNTEERS.ORG

Brookside
GARDENS
1800 Glenallan Ave.
Wheaton MD 20902



Brookside Gardens SSL Volunteer Opportunities Fall & Winter 2013

Volunteer at Brookside Gardens to make a difference, to broaden your skills, or just for fun. Apply for any of these Brookside Gardens volunteer opportunities at <http://www.parksvolunteers.org>.

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.

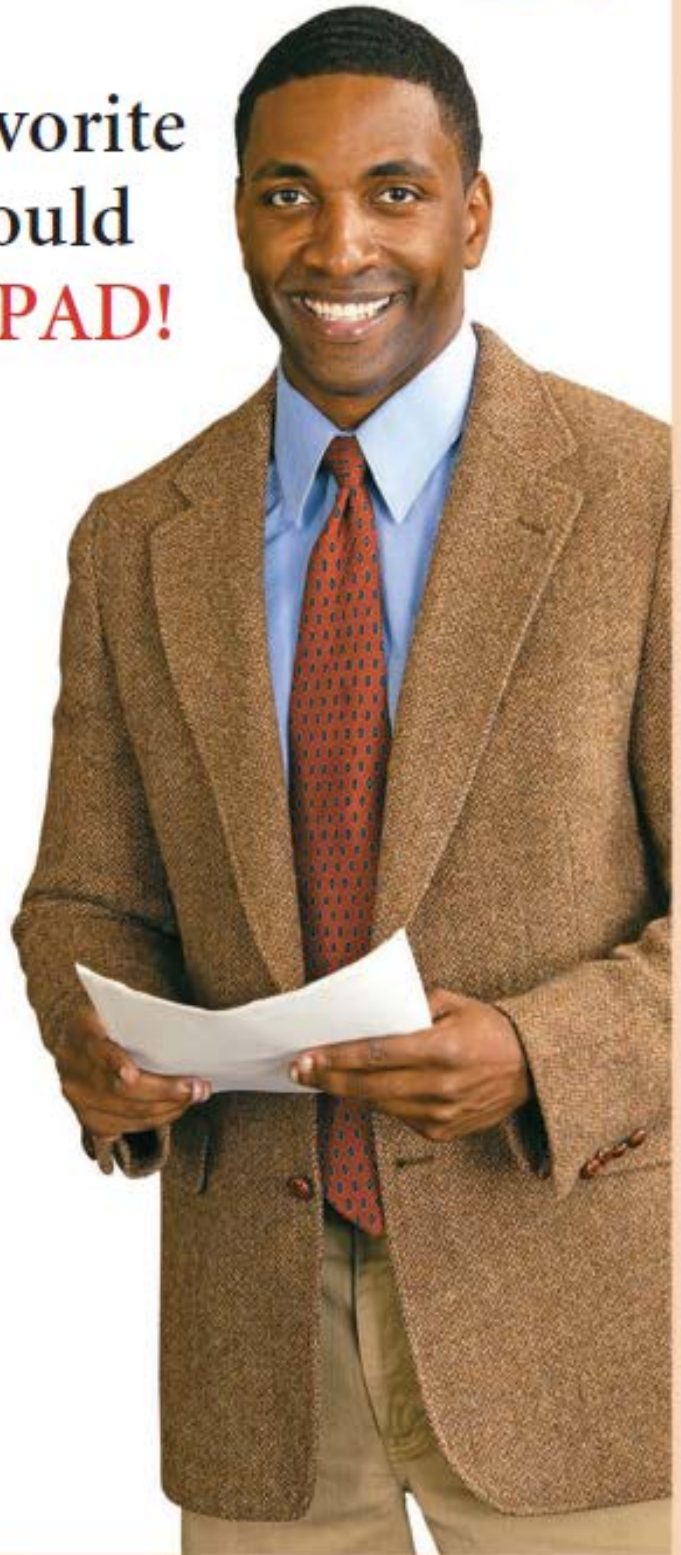
The Gazette
my favorite teacher
2013

Nominate your favorite
teacher and you could
WIN AN APPLE iPad!

The Gazette is looking to honor
the best teachers in the county
and we want to hear from you!

Visit www.favoriteteacher.net
and submit a short essay telling
us why this teacher deserves to
be recognized. Deadline for
submissions is Monday,
October 7th!

The winning teachers will be
based on your votes so don't
forget to check back as we'll
feature the finalists for **MY
FAVORITE TEACHER 2013!**





After School Activities

RecXtra is returning to John Poole this year with a full schedule of after school activities. Listen to the morning announcements or follow them [online](#) at our website so you will be ready to participate in the programs that interest you.



If you have any suggestions for programs you would like to lead or to see offered at JPMS, please contact Mrs. Crutchfield at [Winessa R Crutchfield@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Winessa_R_Crutchfield@mcpsmd.org).

Montgomery County Council Town Hall Meeting for Students

This year the always-popular Town Hall Meeting for Students will be held on Wednesday, October 9, at the Council Office Building in Rockville.

The meeting will be held in the Council's Third Floor Hearing Room beginning at 7 p.m. A pre-meeting reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the building's second-floor cafeteria. RSVP by calling 240-777-7931. The October meeting is open to high school, middle school and local college students. The meeting will allow the participants to let Councilmembers know how they feel about specific issues and also will provide the opportunity to ask questions of us in an organized, but informal, setting.

The event will be broadcast live on [County Cable Montgomery](#) (CCM—cable Channel 6 on Comcast and RCN, Channel 30 on Verizon) and rebroadcast at various times in the weeks following the meeting. Susan Kenedy, a producer for the County station, will moderate the meeting.

Time To Talk: Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Prevention Forum

MCPS, in collaboration with several government and community partners, is hosting a forum on youth substance abuse in Montgomery County for concerned residents and parents who want to learn about drugs, addiction, and promoting wellness in our community. The event will be held at Richard Montgomery High School on Monday, October 7, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m., and will feature a resource fair, presentations, and a Q & A session. For more information and to register, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/community-engagement, search "alcohol and drug abuse forum."

Es Hora de Hablar: Foro de Prevención del Uso y Abuso del Alcohol y Otras Drogas

MCPS, junto a colaboradores del condado y de la comunidad, presentarán un foro comunitario sobre el abuso y prevención del abuso de sustancias en los jóvenes en el Condado de Montgomery para los residentes y padres afectados que quieren aprender acerca de las drogas, la adicción y la promoción de salud en nuestra comunidad. El evento se llevará a cabo en Richard Montgomery

High School el Lunes, 7 de octubre de 6:30 a 9:00 p.m., y contará con una feria de recursos, presentaciones y un periodo de preguntas y respuestas. Para obtener más información y para registrarse, visite www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/community-engagement y busque “alcohol and drug abuse forum.”

Dr. Starr's Community Day in the Upper County

On Monday, October 14, 2013, Superintendent Joshua P. Starr will be visiting our community. Dr. Starr will spend the day meeting with staff and students as he visits schools throughout the Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Northwest, **Poolesville**, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill clusters. He will end this Community Day with a Town Hall meeting for parents, where you can ask questions and share your thoughts and ideas.

The Town Hall meeting will be held from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Clarksburg High School, 22500 Wims Road, Clarksburg. Free child care (ages 4 and up) and interpretation services will be provided.

For more information, visit the MCPS website at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org and search “Community Days”, or call 301-279-3100. I hope you will be able to join Dr. Starr at the Town Hall meeting on October 14.

El lunes, 14 de octubre de 2013, el Superintendente Joshua P. Starr visitará nuestra comunidad. Dr. Starr pasará el día con el personal y los estudiantes mientras visita escuelas que pertenecen a los núcleos de Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, y Watkins Mill. El Dr. Starr finalizará este “Día de la Comunidad” con una Reunión Pública para las familias, en la cual podrán hacer preguntas y compartir sus ideas. La Reunión Pública se llevara a cabo de 7:30 a 9:00 p.m. en Clarksburg High School, 22500 Wims Road, Clarksburg. Habrá servicio gratuito de cuidado infantil (edades 4 años y superior) e interpretación de idiomas. Para más información, visite el sitio de internet de MCPS en www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org y busque “Community Days”, o llame al 301-279-3100. Espero que pueda acompañar al Dr. Starr en la Reunión Pública el 14 de octubre

“Piggy Banks to Portfolios”

This one-day workshop sponsored by the Financial Literacy Organization for Women and Girls is scheduled for Saturday, October 26. The focus is on helping girls aged 11 to 17 learn about money management. It's not free – the cost is \$35. If you're interested, you can get full details at www.sitting-pretty.org



Homework Hotline Live

Homework Hotline Live has returned to the web and TV! Go to AskHHL.org or MCPS cable TV to get help from real MCPS teachers. The TV show can be seen from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, and online help is available from 4:00, all the way up to 9:00. Call 301-279-3234 or go to AskHHL.org.

Builders of the Future

A special one day program at Montgomery College is being held for students in grades 4-6 on Saturday, October 19th. “Builders of the Future” consists of learning activities where students take on career roles and discover the challenges of invention. If interested, pamphlets are available in the counseling office or visit www.montgomerycollege.edu/youth.

Magnet Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
PHS Magnet Information Night for all interested families	October 7	5:00 pm Last Name A-M 7:00 pm Last Name N-Z	PHS Auditorium
Application available	Distributed at JPMS already Application posted online 9/21 at http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/admissions/applications.aspx		
Application Deadline	November 8		
Testing for Magnet Program	December 7 (Snow Date December 14)	8:00 - 11:00 AM	See application for details
Special Needs Testing for Magnet Program	December 8 (Snow Date December 15)	8:00 - 11:00 AM	Richard Montgomery High School
Notification of Magnet Selection Results	By mid February, 2014		



JPMS Music Department Fall Fundraiser

All music students are selling wrapping paper, gift items, cookie dough, candy, magazine subscriptions, and more.

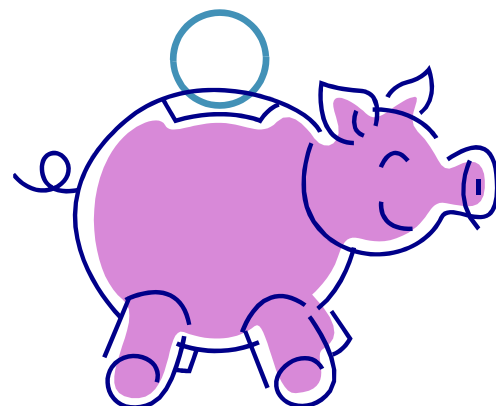
Check out a catalogue and see if there's anything you'd like to order!

Items will be delivered mid- November; just in time for the holidays!

Proceeds will go towards new music, music stands, instruments, instrument repair, and field trip transportation.

All order forms and money collected must be turned in no later than Friday, October 11, 2013.

Email Ms. Sprague with any questions at heather_n_sprague@mcpsmd.org





Montgomery College
Workforce Development & Continuing Education

YOUTH PROGRAMS

FALL 2013

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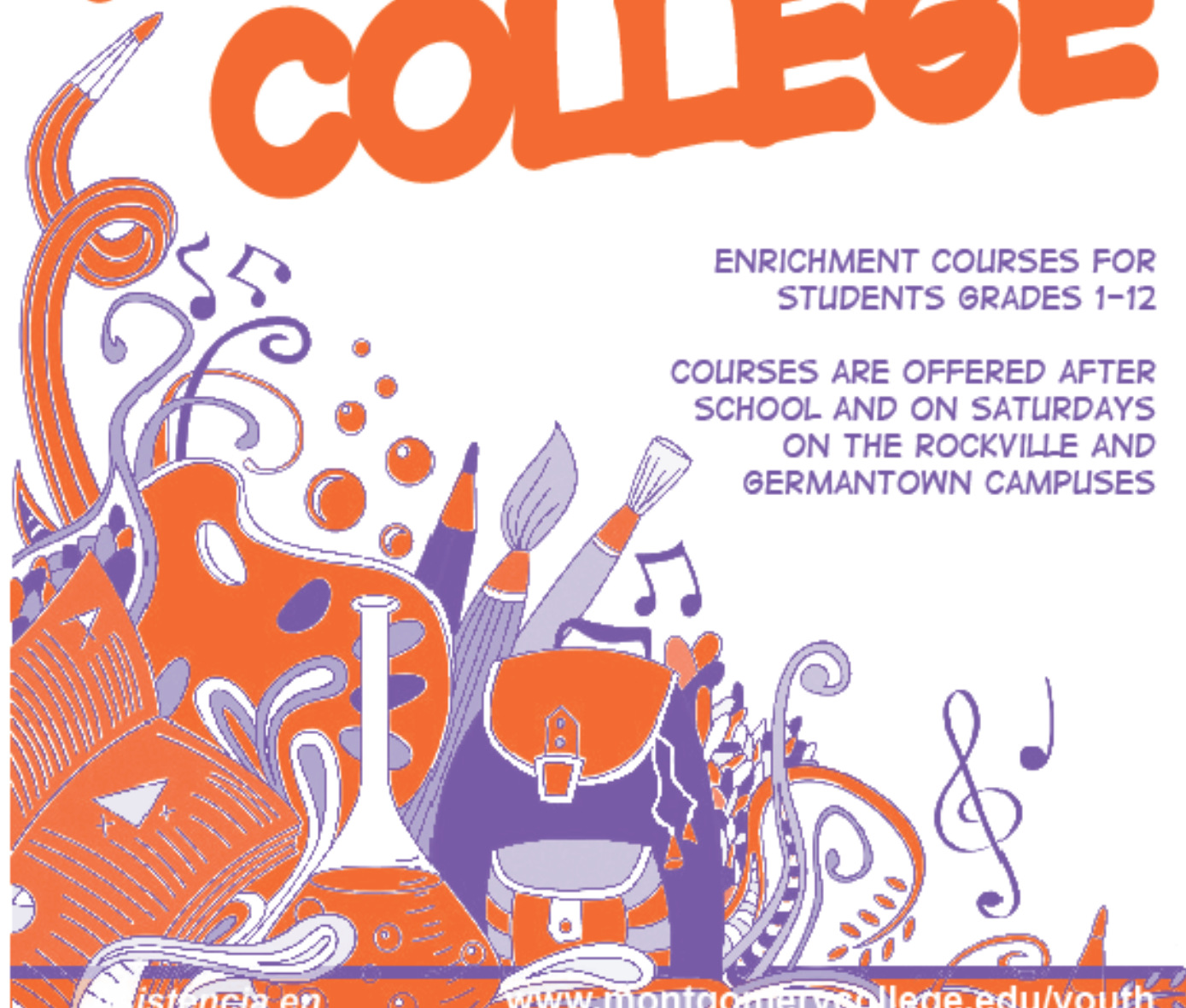
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Time²Talk

Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse
Prevention Forum



A conversation on youth substance abuse in Montgomery County for concerned residents and parents who want to learn about drugs, addiction, and promoting wellness in our community.

October 7, 2013

Resource Fair: 6:30–7:00 p.m.

Presentations/Q&A: 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Richard Montgomery High School Auditorium

250 Richard Montgomery Drive
Rockville, MD 20850

For more information and to register, please visit us at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org, and click on “Preventing Alcohol and Drug Abuse” or contact us at (301) 279-3100.



Speakers

Dr. Joshua P. Starr

Superintendent of Schools
Montgomery County
Public Schools

Dr. James M. Bjork

Program Officer
Division of Clinical
Neuroscience & Behavioral
Research, National Institute
on Drug Abuse

Dr. Raymond L. Crowel
Chief

Behavioral Health and Crisis
Services, Montgomery
County Health and Human
Services

Dr. Ursula Hermann

Director
Department of Student
Services
MCPS

Sgt. Keith Matthis

Montgomery County
Police Department

Mr. Timothy B. Warner

Chief Engagement and
Partnership Officer
MCPS

Partners



Save the Date!

Important events you won't want to miss!



October 4	Interims Mailed
October 7	Magnet Information Night at PHS (5:00 A-M; 7:00 N-Z)
October 8	PTA Meeting (6:30 PM)
October 9	Walk Your Child to School Day
October 11	7 th Gr. Field Trip – National Museum of the American Indians (if the government is back in business)
October 14	Columbus Day – OPEN HOUSE
October 18	MSTA Conference – No School for Students/Teachers

Softball Schedule

Boys' Coach: Bill Cartwright

Girls' Coach: Jami Earle

October 9 **Boys play Neelsville at JPMS (2:50 PM)**
Girls play Neelsville away (3:15 PM)

October 15 **Girls play Rocky Hill at JPMS (2:50 PM)**
Boys play Rocky Hill away (3:15 PM)

Coed Cross Country Schedule

Coach: Steven Schmidt

October 15 **JPMS at Rocky Hill (3:15 PM)**

MCPS State of the Schools Event Set for November 11

Superintendent Joshua P. Starr will deliver his second State of the Schools address on Monday, November 11, at the Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane in Bethesda. MCPS parents and community members are invited to join Dr. Starr as he shares his vision for preparing all students for success and we celebrate the outstanding students of Montgomery County Public Schools. This free event will take place from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. and will feature artwork and performances by MCPS students. Visit the State of the Schools website at www.mcpsstateoftheschools.org for more information and to RSVP.

El Evento “Estado de las Escuelas de MCPS” Está Programado Para el 11 de Noviembre

El Superintendente Joshua P. Starr pronunciará su segundo discurso sobre el Estado de las Escuelas el lunes, 11 de noviembre en el Centro de Música en Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane en Bethesda. Los padres de MCPS y los miembros de la comunidad están invitados a acompañar al Dr. Starr cuando él presente su visión para preparar a todos los estudiantes para el éxito y a celebrar a los estudiantes destacados de las Escuelas Públicas del Condado de Montgomery. Este evento gratuito se llevará a cabo de 7:30 a 9:30 a.m. y contará con la presentación de obras de arte y actuaciones de los estudiantes de MCPS. Visite la página de internet del Estado de las Escuelas en www.mcpsstateoftheschools.org para obtener más información y para registrarse al evento.

Come to Our Open House!

Monday, October 11

No need to RSVP – just drop into the main office to sign in and get a copy of your child's schedule.

PHS NEWS

Go Falcons!



Homecoming Dance
October 12, 2013
7:30 PM

Homecoming Spirit Week: October 7 – 11
Theme: Superheroes

The freshmen are the Incredibles, the sophomores are Captain America, the juniors are Spiderman, and the seniors are Batman.

Monday is Get Up and Go Day. Tuesday is Maryland Day
Thursday is Dress as Your Superhero Day

Wednesday is Formal Day
Friday is Black and Gold Day

Athletic Schedule (partial)

Boys Varsity Football:	10/4/2013	7:00 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Catoclin
	10/11/2013	6:30 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Richard Montgomery- Homecoming
	10/18/2013	7:00 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Brunswick
Golf:	10/7/2013	9:00 AM	(A)	Coed—Multiteam Event at Wheaton (Poolesville GC)
	10/9/2013	12:00 PM	(A)	Coed—Multiteam Event at Wheaton (Laytonsville GC)
Girls Varsity Soccer:	10/4/2013	7:00 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Damascus
	10/9/2013	7:00 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Watkins Mill
	10/12/2013	12:00 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Wheaton
Boys Varsity Soccer:	10/4/2013	5:00 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Damascus
	10/9/2013	5:00 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Watkins Mill
Girls Varsity Tennis:	10/4/2013	3:30 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Wootton
	10/8/2013	3:30 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Seneca Valley
Girls Varsity Volleyball:	10/9/2013	6:30 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Watkins Mill
Field Hockey Varsity:	10/4/2013	7:00 PM	(A)	PHS vs. Walter Johnson
	10/7/2013	7:00 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Damascus
	10/9/2013	7:00 PM	(H)	PHS vs. Wheaton

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And Ask for...

Principal - Mrs. Boucher	Assistant Principal - Ms. Lemon
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
Special Education IRT	- Ms. Turnbull
Counseling - (Ms. Kitts, Secretary)	Mrs. Arnold- Mrs. Eisenberg

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Timberwolves
live with
Purpose
Respect
Integrity
Dedication
Effort

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**

