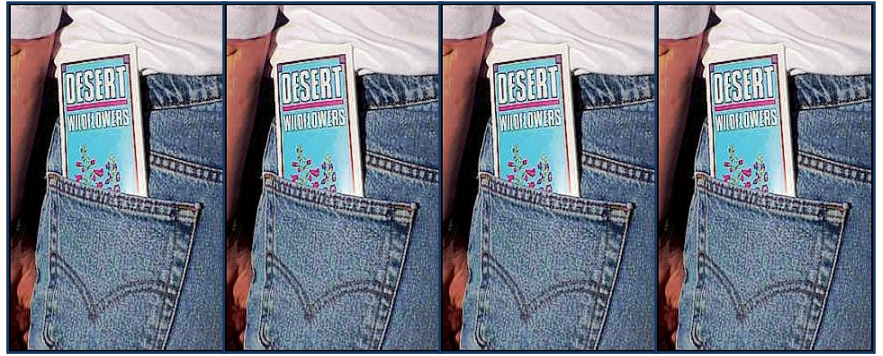


John Poole's **BACK POCKET**



May 31, 2013

A Thought for Today:

At commencement you wear your square-shaped mortarboards. My hope is that from time to time you will let your minds be bold, and wear sombreros.

- Paul Freund

Congratulations to the PHS Class of 2013

It's Graduation Day, and all over our community families are celebrating. Best wishes to every graduate, but especially to the JPMS alums who crossed the stage this morning. We are proud to have participated in their preparation for this happy occasion.

It's only four short years before our eighth graders take their places among the capped and gowned celebrants of the PHS Class of 2017. This week I asked all our students to think of themselves four years ago when they were elementary school children and recognize how much they have grown and grown up since those days. The same metamorphosis is possible in the next four years. I encouraged them to think about making themselves into the adults they want to be. Getting older will happen. That's a given. But growing up isn't about falling into the unknown; at this point, it's about taking control and making your dreams and goals into realities and satisfactions.

Part of the skill set our kids need to master to make themselves successful in high school is effective test-taking and preparation. At this time of year it's very tempting for kids to want to blow off their exams, cut loose and jump into summer, but that's not a winning strategy. Please remind your child to be mindful of the days when exams will be heaviest, de-stress, put in some review time and then get a good night's sleep. Finishing this year strong is the best insurance that next year will start strong, too. – Charlotte Boucher

EXAM SCHEDULE

June 6 Review Day - Exams
June 7 Exams - Periods 2 & 6
June 10 Exams - Periods 1 & 5
June 11 Exams - Periods 4 & 7
June 12 Exams - Period 3
June 13 Exam Makeup Day

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!



Alexis Abrigo

Cassidy Dice

Julia Fisher

Tommy Behrens

Jake Drissel

Juliana Vrolijk

Maddie Burdette

David Esser

Roger Yerger

*Invite your friends and neighbors with
children in fifth grade to join us!*

Rising Sixth Graders — Welcome to
John Poole Middle School

You are cordially invited to a
Parent Orientation
As Your Child Completes Fifth Grade



**Tuesday, June 4, 2013
6:30-7:30 pm
JPMS All Purpose Room**

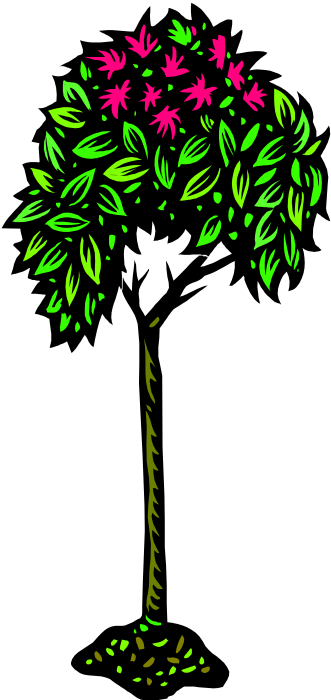
If you have questions please contact
Nichole Hardy (6th Grade Counselor)
301-972-7980

Please take this
opportunity to tour the
school, discuss the changes in
middle school, summer expect-
tations, learn about SSL
requirements and more!

JPMS Conservation Garden

by Ellen Beal

photographs by Michael Fetchko



On May 29th, Mrs. Yesnick's Environmental Science class decided to try a hand at planting a conservation garden. A conservation garden prevents erosion and includes native plants. In this case, the garden is being used to stop schoolyard erosion in the back fields. The garden was planned by students in last fall's environmental class following a Chesapeake Bay Foundation field experience.

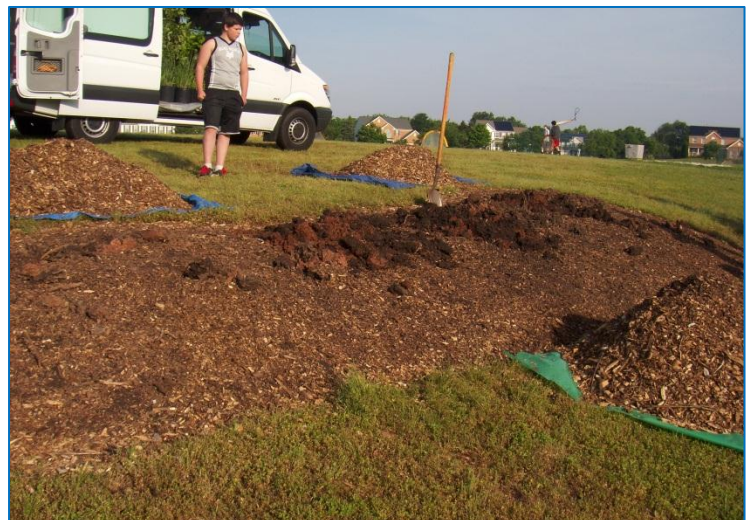
After heading out the back doors, reviewing their plants, and seeing a quick demonstration, the class was ready to dig. The band of 7th graders dug holes, de-potted plants and trees, and earthed the plants in dirt under the warm morning sun. They also had the guidance of Mr. John Snitzer, a professional landscaper. He supervised the gardeners at work.

The plants that were placed in the conservation garden included a black gum tree, a shining sumac, some switch grass, and two fringe trees. After an hour of fun, the 7th graders returned to their classroom. However, the garden was not completed. Mrs. Yesnick gave kids from all grades the opportunity to stay after school on the 30th to finish the job.

The JPMS conservation garden is a group effort that is a positive impact on our watershed – preventing increased sediment in our waterways. An enormous thank you goes to Mr. Snitzer for his time, materials and labor and the Chesapeake Bay Trust for a grant that partially funded three field experiences and these plantings.



Mr. Snitzer is the owner of Snitzer Landscaping, based in Dickerson. He recently worked with Mrs. Yesnick's class on a lab on soil types and the use of compost to improve soil quality. He has donated his time, expertise, and many plants so that JPMS will have a conservation garden that students, teachers and community members can use as a resource for building one in their own yards. Students are also creating a brochure that explains the procedures and benefits involved in making a conservation garden.





Superintendent's SSL Award

Each year, the Superintendent's Student Service Learning Award is given to students who have documented in their service-learning record 75 hours of service by the first Friday in April of a middle school year. The following JPMS students won the Superintendent's SSL Award for 2013. Congratulations!

Daniel Ballew
Courtney Bourque
Taylor Byrd
Gabriella Capobianchi
Josephine Caruso-Dipaolo
Delaney Cecco
Kathryn Creedon
Danielle Creedon
Robert Deitz
Stefan Fessenden
Danielle Field
Kaley Fisher

Julia Fisher
Isabella Garner
Erin Green
Morgan Harney
Kristen Hepburn
Michael Huff, Jr.
Chloe Insalaco
Brandon Kocur
Jackson Krasche
Kelliann Lee
Jacob Mason
Alessandra Molina

Michael Morgan
Theresa Nardone
Madison Peyton
Catherine Savage
Molly Sherman
Bryce Taylor
Luke Terrell
Donald Vogel
Rebecca Wallace
Camden Wolin

The following JPMS students received the Superintendent's SSL Award previously and have continued to earn more hours.

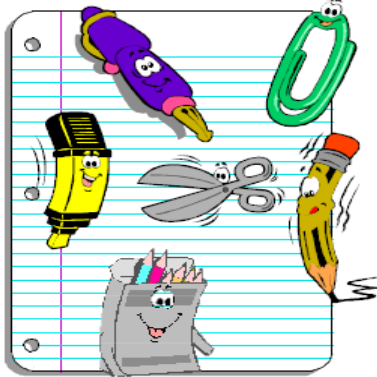
Mackenzie Gross
Megan Grubb
Keegan Hemingway
Alison Huber

Isabella Lawbaugh
Cole McKenney
Sophia Mense
Julia Montone

Sara Oden
Elizabeth Roberts
Tucker Ross

Drive for Supplies

Helping students in need both locally and around the world.



Sign up to
help and earn
student
service
learning
credit



clean out
the old
backpack



clean
out the
lockers



Recycle items
that can't be
donated!

A Community Service
Project for MCPS



DRIVE FOR SUPPLIES RUNS MAY 28 - JUNE 12

SSL Hours Are Due for the Year!

It's time to clean out your locker, notebooks and closets. Take the time to find those SSL sheets and finish your reflections! Then return them to Mrs. Arnold no later than **Friday, June 7th**! Only hours that you served in 2013 are eligible. No hours from 2012 can be accepted. Start looking now!

Student Service Learning (SSL) Tips

Give a Little Time...Make a Big Difference

Students prepare, act, and reflect with approved service organizations.

- Documentation of service performed during the second semester is due to the school SSL coordinator by the "First Friday in June" (June 7, 2013). Senior hours are due earlier.
- Middle school students who successfully participate in Outdoor Education in Grade 6 and pass English in Grade 7 and US History in Grade 8 with full participation in the SSL aspects of those courses will be awarded 10 SSL hours for each year on the final report card.
- High school students who successfully pass the second semester of National, State, and Local Government and fully participate in the SSL aspects will be awarded 8 SSL hours on the final report card.
- Documentation of service performed during the second semester is due to the school SSL coordinator no later than the "first Friday in June" (June 7, 2013). Don't miss this deadline!
- SSL hours are awarded to MCPS students by adult supervisors (not relatives) who represent approved, official, nonprofit, tax exempt organizations. All SSL must occur in public places. No SSL in private residences.

**Do you want to
earn SSL hours
doing something
fun while
supporting this cutie?**



**Come help out with the Family Day and Fundraiser
to benefit the Cure JM Foundation** (see www.curejm.org)


- Saturday June 1st at Whalen Commons
- Set up 8:00 -10:00 AM; Clean up 1:00 – 4:00 PM
- Events and games from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM.
- You can run carnival games like bean bag toss, ring toss, can toss, bake sale, face painting, etc.
- You have an opportunity to earn 8 SSL hours!!
- Call Kim Emery 240-750-4497 or email @ kemery01@verizon.net.

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, OR 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

PE Uniforms Will Have a New Look Next Fall

Order Yours Now to Start the School Year with the Right Size

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Welcome to John Poole Middle School Physical Education program. The following information has been prepared to give you a head start on what is needed for Physical Education classes.

All students should have the following materials:

1. black or royal blue gym shorts and gray or royal blue T-shirt. These should be marked with the student's name with a permanent marker.
2. sneakers with laces. Shoes that slip on are not permitted.
3. sweatshirts and sweatpants (any color). These will be needed when cooler weather begins.

If you would like to purchase a JPMS uniform, we are taking orders until May 31, 2013. The PE Uniform that we have had for many years has finally been redesigned. The shorts are still mesh but now have a solid liner and are royal blue in color with the JPMS logo and paw print in charcoal gray and white on the leg. The new t-



shirt, a “dri-fit, moisture wicking” material, is charcoal gray in color with the JPMS logo and a paw print in royal blue and white. The cost is still \$25.00 for the full uniform. Pre-ordered uniforms will be delivered to your student the first week of school in August 2013.

Reasons for recommending a student change into the clothing for PE classes include:

1. Reduce competition between students when selecting sportswear for PE class.
2. Distinguish between students’ school clothes and their physical education attire; it is often difficult to make this distinction.
3. Provide attire that is very comfortable and allows students to move freely during class.
4. Promote good personal hygiene.

The completed order form must be turned in to JPMS by Friday, May 31, 2013. Make checks payable to John Poole Middle School and include your child’s name at the bottom of the check.

WE CANNOT GUARANTEE YOUR STUDENT A UNIFORM ON TIME IF THE ORDER IS LATE!!!

Order forms may be dropped off in the main office at JPMS or sent to John Poole Middle School, Attn: Kim Gerrie / 17014 Tom Fox Avenue / Poolesville, Maryland 20837. If you have any questions please contact me via phone (301-972-7979 ext. 144) or by e-mail [Kimberly S Gerrie@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kimberly_S_Gerrie@mcpsmd.org)

JPMS TIMBERWOLVES PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM SALE

Student’s first and last name: _____

Parent/Guardian(s) name: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Please indicate below how many items of each size you would like to purchase.

ITEM	PRICE	Youth L	Adult S	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL
Gray JPMS T-Shirt	\$10.00	Not Available				
Royal Blue Mesh Shorts w/ JPMS logo	\$15.00	(Size 14- 16 6.5” Inseam)	(28-30 Waist 8” Inseam)	(32-34 Waist 8” Inseam)	(36-38 Waist 8” Inseam)	Not Available

Total # of items ordered _____ **Total Paid \$** _____ **Cash/Check #** _____

**Orders must be received by Friday, May 31st to be guaranteed
delivery the first week of school.**

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...

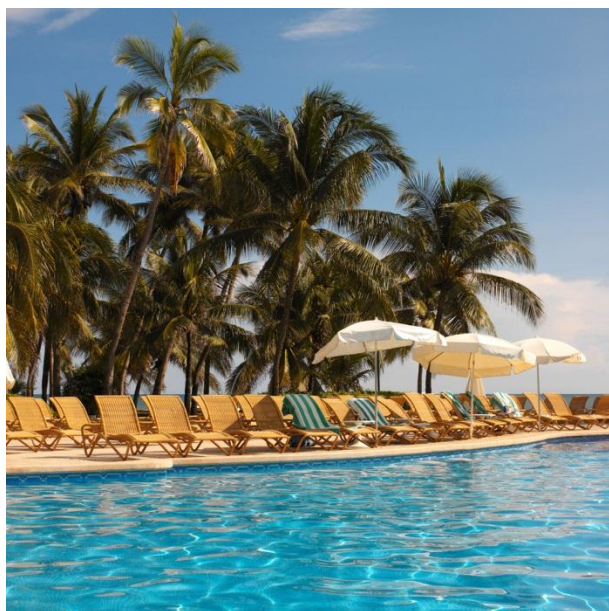
Stepping Up to Serve

We need officers and
committee chairs for
next year

Volunteer Your Time and Join the PTSA!

There will be no PTSA meeting in May. Our next and final meeting for the year will be held June 11 at 6:30 PM in the media center. See you there!

We are still looking for parents to head committees or serve as a PTSA officer next year. 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!



8th Grade "Island Adventure" Promotion Celebration

June 7

6:00 – 10:00 PM

**May we borrow a few items
to help make this event extra
special for our kids?**

Here's what we need for the dance:

- Strands of mini lights (Christmas lights) in white or solid colors. We need lots and lots of lights.
- Patio umbrellas with stands. We would like to have a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 8 umbrellas.
- Large (3 feet or higher) artificial tropical plants. We need lots of plants.
- We will pick up your contributions and deliver them back to you after the dance. Call or e-mail Charlotte Roberts at 301-349-5125 or robertsch@saic.com Thanks!

Getting Ready for Summer...

Thinking About Smart Phones?

Once school is out, family patterns change, child care can get more complicated, and regardless of when the birthday falls, kids generally feel a year older when the school year ends. These and other factors can make smart phone communication a bigger part of family life than it was while school was in session.

Perhaps this is a good time to have another conversation with your child about your expectations for him or her phone and social media use. Many families work out a contract that makes clear what the parents will and will not allow. If you like that idea, here are some details you might consider including:

- I will never give out personal details that would identify who I am, such as my name, address, phone number, school or photographs.
- I will tell a parent if I see any bad language or pictures on the Internet, or if anyone writes me anything I don't like.
- I will not reply to any messages or posts that are suggestive, obscene, aggressive, or distressing. I will show them to my parents.
- I will not use bad language online; neither will I take part in arguments or fights online.
- I will not text, post or email anything that I would not be comfortable saying in person.
- I will not accept any offers of money or presents, even free offers.
- I will never order anything online or give out credit card details.
- I will not visit websites or use social media that I have agreed with my parents are off-limits.
- I will keep all my passwords private, except from my parents.
- I will not open email from strangers, because I could be opening the door for harmful viruses or spyware.
- I will never share electronic pictures of myself or my friends that I would not want my parents to see.
- I will not use anonymous messaging to hide my identity. If I don't want to take responsibility for my actions, I shouldn't be doing them.

We all know that independence and privacy are very important to young teens, but most kids still feel safer when you set clear limits. If you would like to read more about making decisions about your child's use of technology, here are some useful links:

<http://www.webwisekids.org/pdf/CellPhoneSafetyTipsforParentsTeens.pdf>

<http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/your-child-technology/10-tips-cell-phone-safety>

<http://www.common sense media.org/advice-for-parents/cell-phone-tips>

Of course, there are some wonderful apps, games and websites out there that can provide technology-related fun while kids are out of school. Here is a list of some options you might want to check out along with reviews of their content and the ages for which they are appropriate:

http://www.common sense media.org/guide/digital-fun-for-creative-kids?utm_source=052313_Parent&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=weekly



Noteworthy

Student Obligations in the Cafeteria

We have stopped loaning money and started collecting money owed to the cafeteria. The cashiers have already told students if they owe money, so the quickest way to find out if your child has a negative balance is to ask him or her. If you're still not sure, you can call our cafeteria at 301-407-1037 or email the cafeteria manager at Kelly_a_moreland@mcpsmd.org.

You may find that your child needs a little money to make it through to the end of the year, or you may find there's a small outstanding loan to take care of. Our goal is to end the year with every account having a zero balance. If there is still money in your child's account on June 15, however, it will transfer over for next year – even to the high school.

Thanks for helping us end the year with our finances in order!

Textbooks and Other Borrowed Materials Are Due

It's amazing what textbooks cost these days! Many of our books cost between \$50 and \$100 to replace. Don't get a bill at the end of school – help your child account for anything he or she borrowed from JPMS this year. Under the bed - in the trunk of the car – piled up with the winter boots – misplaced materials could turn up anywhere. The sooner they are located and returned, the better.

June 6 Is the Last Day for Backpacks

Backpacks are only used for bringing items to school from home and from school back home again. Because they are bulky, they are not allowed in classrooms and spend the entire day in student lockers. Now that the end of the year is here, students are turning in their books as they take their exams, and we are helping students clear their lockers. There really is nothing but lunch and exam materials to bring to school each day, so we ask students to **leave their back packs home after June 6**.

Summer Reading and Math Assignments Are Now Online

Visit the JPMS website to download a copy of the summer work in reading and math. It's front and center right on our home page.

The reading assignment is the same for all grades, but the math packets are marked for the class you will be entering in the fall. There are separate assignments for students going into Math 6, Math 7, IM, Algebra Prep, Algebra and Geometry. The work is the same for students in Math 7 and Math 7 Boost.

Teachers will send home hard copies of this work, and additional hard copies will be available in the JPMS main office during the summer, but you can always get your assignments online.

New Search Feature on School Websites

A new search feature will be launched on all MCPS school websites in the upcoming weeks. A search box will be located on the upper-right corner of our school's homepage and will help you quickly find important information on our website. If you have any questions or would like to provide feedback on this new search function, please email webmaster@mcpsmd.org.

Nueva función de búsqueda en sitios de la escuela

Una nueva función de búsqueda se pondrá en marcha en todos los sitios de internet de las escuelas de MCPS en las próximas semanas. En la esquina superior derecha de la página principal de nuestra escuela se encontrará un cuadro de búsqueda que le ayudará a encontrar rápidamente información importante sobre nuestro sitio de internet. Si usted tiene alguna pregunta o le gustaría enviarnos sus comentarios sobre esta nueva función de búsqueda, por favor envíenos un correo electrónico a webmaster@mcpsmd.org.

MCPS Give BACKpacks Campaign

The MCPS Give BACKpacks campaign is under way and needs your help to raise funds to purchase 50,000 backpacks filled with school supplies for MCPS students in need. The Give BACKpacks drive will support families that are struggling financially and cannot afford basic necessities like school supplies. A backpack filled with school supplies only costs \$10, and donors will have the option to sponsor an individual student, a classroom, a grade level or an entire school. Additional information will be posted at www.mcpsgivebackpacks.org in the coming weeks.



Campaña de Entrega de Mochilas de MCPS en Marcha

La campaña de entrega de mochilas de MCPS está en marcha y necesita su ayuda para recaudar fondos para comprar 50.000 mochilas llenas de útiles escolares para estudiantes de MCPS en necesidad. La campaña de entrega de mochilas apoyará a las familias que tienen dificultades financieras y no puede costear las necesidades básicas, como útiles escolares. Una mochila llena de útiles escolares sólo cuesta \$ 10, y los donantes tendrán la opción de patrocinar a un estudiante en particular, un aula, un nivel de grado o toda una escuela. Información adicional será publicada en www.mcpsgivebackpacks.org en las próximas semanas.

2013 MCPS Back-to-School Fair

Save the date! Plan to kick off the 2013-2014 school year at the MCPS Back-to-School Fair on Saturday, August 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Carver Educational Services Center, 850 Hungerford Drive in Rockville. The fair is a great way for families to learn about school system programs and services while enjoying entertainment, children's activities and much more. Free transportation will be provided from 12 locations throughout the county. Please note that this year, backpacks will not be given out at the fair, but will be sent to schools for distribution to students in need. Visit www.mcpsbacktoschoolfair.org over the summer for updates.

2013 Back-to-School Set Fair de 24 de agosto

Reserve la fecha! Planee dar inicio al año escolar 2013-2014 en la Feria de Regreso a la Escuela de MCPS el Sábado, 24 de agosto de 11 a.m. a 2 p.m. en el Centro de Servicios Educativos Carver, 850 Hungerford Drive, en Rockville. La feria es una gran manera para que las familias aprendan acerca de los programas y servicios del sistema escolar mientras disfruta de entretenimiento, actividades infantiles y mucho más. Se proporcionará transporte gratuito en 12 ubicaciones a lo largo del condado. Tenga en cuenta que este año, las mochilas no se entregarán en la feria, sino que se enviarán a las escuelas para su distribución a los estudiantes que más lo necesitan. Para actualizaciones durante el verano, visita www.mcpsbacktoschoolfair.org.



**Congratulations to our wonderful music students
on a great concert last night!**

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



Where: Poolesville Town Cleaners
19616B Fisher Ave Poolesville
301-349-9420

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

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

Save the Date!

Important events you won't want to miss!



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|---------|--|
| June 3 | Blue Ribbon Monday (Wear Blue) |
| June 4 | Incoming 6 th Grade Orientation (6:30 p.m.) |
| June 6 | Last Day for Backpacks |
| June 7 | Leader of the Pack (7:15 a.m.)
8 th Grade Dance (6:00-10:00 p.m.) |
| June 11 | PTSA Meeting (6:30 p.m. in the Media Center) |
| June 12 | Last Day for Drive for Supplies
Last Day to Access Lockers
8 th Grade Awards Ceremony in the Aux. Gym (12:45-2:00 p.m.)
Reading Banquet (5:30-7:00 p.m. in the APR) |
| June 13 | End of Year Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ 8th Grade – Hershey Park (Leave 7:30 a.m.; Return 7:30 p.m.)❖ 7th Grade – Smokey Glen (Leave 8:00 a.m.; Return 2:00 p.m.)❖ 6th Grade – Picnic Lunch / Movie (11:12 a.m. – 2:20 p.m.) |
| June 14 | Last Day of School for Students (dismissed at 11:50 a.m.)
8 th Graders will be at PHS |

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

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|----------------|--|
| June 6 | Review Day – Exams – all classes meet |
| June 7 | Exams – Periods 2 and 6 – periods 1 and 5 also meet |
| June 10 | Exams – Periods 1 and 5 – periods 4 and 7 also meet |
| June 11 | Exams – Periods 4 and 7 – periods 3 and 5 also meet |
| June 12 | Exams – Period 3 – all classes meet |
| June 13 | Final Exam Makeup Day |

Don't Forget to Register for Summer School

JPMS will be holding summer school classes to support students entering grades 6 and 7 with reading and math. Summer school will take place July 1 through 26 with July 4th being a holiday. Students can attend summer school during the morning and still have their afternoons for the pool or other summertime fun. The invitations for summer school have been mailed home to 5th and 6th grade students.

Registration forms are due to the JPMS Main Office on or before May 24, 2013. Space is limited so the registrations will be first come, first served.



PHS NEWS

Go Falcons!



POOLESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL POMPON TRYOUTS



2013 – 2014

PHS Pompons are a dedicated group of exceptional academic/athletic students who support and represent Poolsville High School's outstanding reputation.

CLINICS – PHS New Gym

Tuesday, June 4 – 3:30 to 5:00 PM

Wednesday, June 5 – 3:30 to 5:00 PM

Thursday, June 6 – 3:30 to 5:00 PM

TRYOUTS – PHS New Gym

Friday, June 7, 2012

3:30 to 6:00 PM

Tryouts begin at 4:00 PM....SHARP

You will need to read the Poms Tryout Packet and sign the last page. Tryout packets are posted on the PHS Athletics website, or you can pick one up in the Main Office:

<http://www.poolsvilleathletics.org>

Contact Coach Tanya Ventura with any questions:

Tventu1@students.towson.edu

**Congratulations to the
PHS Class of 2013**

Call John Poole!

Main Office 301-972-7979
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	- Mr. Grotenhuis
English IRT	- Mrs. Lindsay
Social Studies IRT	- Ms. Nachlas
Math IRT	- Mr. McKay
Science IRT	- Mrs. Callaghan
Special Education IRT	- Mrs. Turnbull
Counseling - (Ms. Kitts, Secretary)	Mrs. Arnold - Mrs. Hardy

JPMS
Timberwolves
live with
Purpose
Respect
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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**

