



October 11, 2013

John Poole's **BACK POCKET**

A Thought for Today:

“If it were not for guests all houses would be graves.”

- Kahlil Gibran

Come to Our Open House!

Every fall we have the opportunity to welcome our families and community members to John Poole, and this year the designated day is Monday – Columbus Day. Because Columbus Day is a federal holiday, it is an opportunity for our many parents who work for the government to be away from the office. Of course this year, there's special meaning in that circumstance!

Come for part of the day or stay straight through with your child; we're delighted to have you here. If you want to see a particular class, check out the schedule at right so you can drop by when that class is in session.

You'll need to be careful about lunch. About half the school eats lunch right after period 4 and then goes to periods 5, 6, and 7 in order. The rest of us go to period 5 right after period 4 and lunch follows. 8th graders typically eat first lunch and 6th graders are typically in the second lunch. 7th graders are split between Lunch A and Lunch B. It's a good idea to check with your child to be sure which lunch is yours. We're all back on the same time table for periods 6 and 7.

Some parents really like to have lunch with their child on Visitors Day. You are more than welcome to do that, but please think about bringing your lunch with you. Many extra customers in the lunch line can slow down the process so that the last ones through are pressed for time.

When you arrive, please stop in the office first thing to sign in and get your visitor's sticker. Mrs. Ogden will dip your driver's license into the scanner to print the sticker, so please bring your ID in from the car. You will be able to pick up a map and a copy of your child's schedule in the main office if that's helpful.

At JPMS we don't put on a show for Open House – it's just a glimpse of everyday life in our school – but it's an opportunity to see school through your son or daughter's eyes. I hope you can make it! Have a wonderful (if soggy) weekend. - Charlotte Boucher

JPMS Bell Schedule

PERIOD	TIME
Period 1	7:35-8:25
Period 2	8:29-9:18
Announcements & Snack (Per 3)	9:22-9:27
Period 3	9:27-10:15
Period 4	10:19-11:08
LUNCH A 11:12-11:42	Period 5 11:12- 12:01
Period 5 11:46-12:35	LUNCH B 12:05-12:35
Period 6	12:39-1:28
Period 7	1:32-2:20

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!



Thomas Behrens

Arianna Carr

Shirley Chen

Michael Fetchko

Justin Fisher

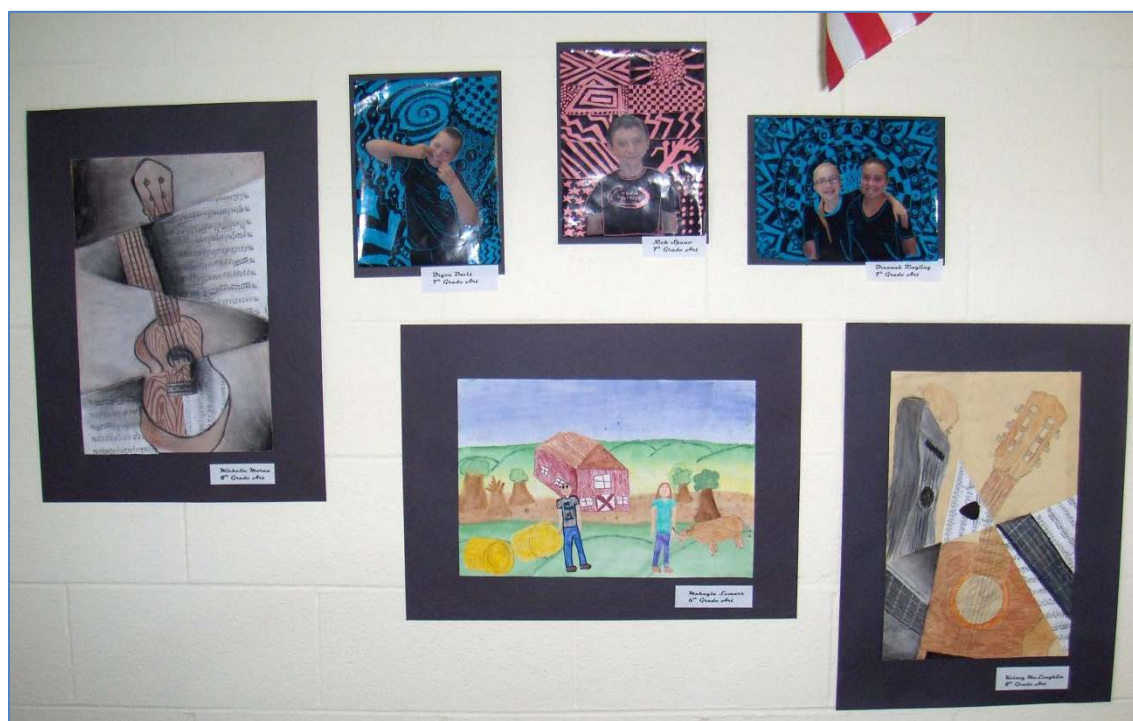
Jakeline Fuentes

Erin Green

Hannah Helfert

Amelia Williams

The Principal's Art Gallery



Check out the great student art work brightening my office wall this month! There's even a three-dimensional piece displayed on a nearby shelf because it couldn't be mounted on the wall!

Congratulations to Mr. Gemmell and the student artists who created such beautiful work!

- 8th graders **Michelle Moraa** and **Kelsey McLoughlin** chalked Cubist Guitars.
- 7th Grader **Ali Ranson** cast the Plaster Hand.
- 7th Graders **Nick Spano**, **Brennah Ringling** and **Bryce Davis** created Art Nouveau Self-portraits.
- 6th Grader **Makayla Demarr** made the Narrative Collage.
- Special Thanks to **Lita Fraley** for assisting with matting.

Drop by my office soon to be impressed with these beautiful pieces!



Student Advocates in Action

By Jennifer Jang

On October 7, a group of 8th graders from Mrs. Callaghan's science class presented information to the Town's Commissioners at the Town Hall to help them decide if they would give JPMS a grant for \$1000. The grant was requested to help pay for a brand new WeatherBug system for the school. **Michelle Moraa, Paris Copeland, and Morgan Bliss** presented the request. **Ryan Johnston and Dylan Drain** designed the presentation, and **Dylan** also manned the computer at the



Town Hall meeting. **Brooke Hamm** and **Amelia Williams** took photos. **Dalton Webber**, who helped to create the presentation, unfortunately couldn't make the meeting.

The WeatherBug is a system that records 27 different weather measurements at real time. This includes outdoor temperature, relative humidity, wind velocity, air pressure, and precipitation. The information would help the 8th graders when they record hurricane tracking data by solving the issue of repeatedly looking for the required data. The 8th graders study the weather and the correlations/relationships it has.

The WeatherBug system would benefit JPMS by enhancing STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) and the town of Poolesville, too. Currently, the nearest WeatherBug station is located in Germantown at the Montgomery County Department of Transportation Highway Services (15 miles or 20-30 minutes from Poolesville). This distance could make our weather forecasts unreliable, and could make severe weather conditions a surprise. If we have a WeatherBug in Poolesville (at JPMS), it will make our weather predictions more accurate and increase safety for the citizens of Poolesville. The system would also put Poolesville on the map.



Local weather stations would use our WeatherBug system at JPMS! How cool would that be? To have our school gain publicity would be amazing.

The JPMS PTSA has already raised about \$5,500 dollars. Including the grant from the Town, we would have about \$2000 dollars left to raise. The system would definitely benefit everyone in Poolesville. You can go to the WeatherBug website to learn more about the system.

www.Weatherbug.com



High Drama for the Running Timberwolves

The JPMS Cross Country Team travelled last week to take on a strong Kingsview Middle School team. **Ryan Lockett** had another convincing 1st place finish beating out Kingsview's fastest boy by a full minute, finishing in 8 minutes, 41 seconds. **Haley Harkins** treated the crowd to nothing less than a brave and heroic effort, stalking three of Kingsview's elite runners over the majority of the mile and a half course. She reeled in one with a quarter mile to go, and, in an incredible display of heart, outsprinted another in the final stretch, nipping second place for the girls.

Kelliann Lee also enjoyed a dramatic finish and **Ryan Johnston**, **Sean Lyons** and **Isaac Kasuske** all broke personal records. Despite the drama and effort, the Kingsview team beat our Running Timberwolves in the 90 degree heat. Next up, the final season meet at Rocky Hill Middle School on Tuesday. Good luck, Cross Country!

Girls Softball Rules

The Lady Timberwolves Softball Team had a great game Wednesday crushing Neelsville 17 to 1! All the girls played really well and had some good hits. **Brooke Hamm** hit a triple and **Kalie Terrango** pitched her first full game. Practice was canceled Thursday due to the weather.



Boys Softball Dominates

The JPMS boys Softball team rebounded from their 10 - 2 loss to Kingsview Middle School beating Neelsville Middle School 16 - 0.

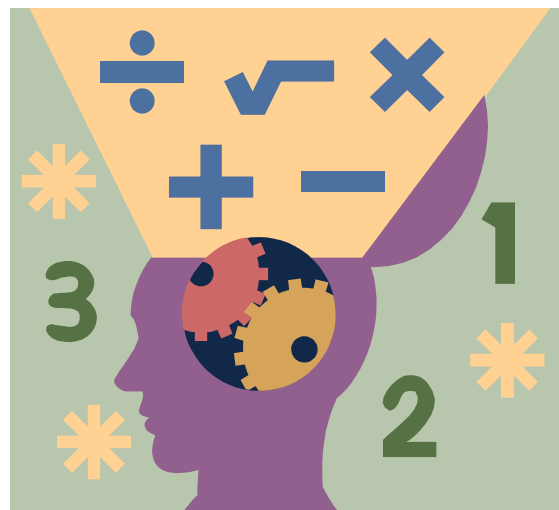
The boys bats woke up, tallying 21 hits. **Matthew Convers**, **Jimmy Dutton**, **Colin Metz** and **Ryan Haddaway** led the way with 4 hits each. **Johnny Thompson** had the biggest hit of the game with a Home Run.

Defensively the boys played errorless ball. Our next game will be against Rocky Hill Middle School On Tuesday, October 15th.

GO TIMBERWOLVES!

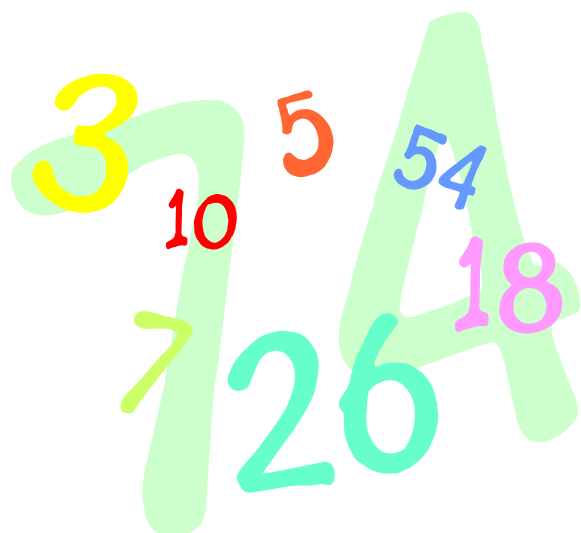
Could You Coach Our Mathletes?

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!

CTY Talent Search

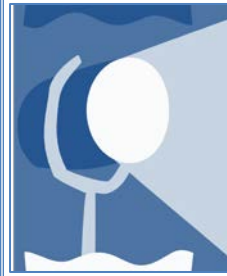
Johns Hopkins University is searching for students who have demonstrated superior academic performance. Through the CTY Talent Search Program, participants gain opportunities to develop their skills to the highest possible level.

If interested, brochures are available in the Counseling Office or call 410-735-6278 or visit <http://cty.jhu.edu/2013/> for more information.

John Poole Middle School



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



Spotlight on...

Community Day

Meet Dr. Starr on Monday.
October 14 at Clarksburg HS.

He will hold a Town Hall meeting for parents
from 7:30 – 9:00 PM in the auditorium.

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>

It is not too late to join the JPMS PTSA. Membership provides a great way to get involved and to keep in touch.

Directories will be distributed soon. You haven't missed your chance to claim one.

It is very easy to join. All the information is found on the JPMS homepage under the parents tab. If you have any questions, please email Wendy Goflewski, membership coordinator, at goflewski@msn.com.

Order a Yearbook Now & Save

The yearbook is currently on sale for the lowest price of the year. The sale ends Sunday night!

John Poole Middle School does not accept any in-school yearbook payments at this time. You need to order your child's yearbook online at www.jostensyearbooks.com

The cost of the yearbook is \$35, but you can save \$7 if you order now. In addition, if you order personalization (regularly \$5) and your yearbook by October 13 (Sunday), you will receive 4 FREE icons valued at over \$13.

That is a SAVINGS of \$20!

NEW THIS YEAR: Make 3 monthly installment payments at www.jostensyearbooks.com . Just choose the installment option at checkout. Minimum purchase \$30.

Fall 2013 School-Based Flu Clinics



Nasal Spray Flu Vaccine will be offered at school clinics this fall!

November 1, 2013

John F. Kennedy High School

Richard Montgomery High School

Seneca Valley High School

for all students

9:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.

November 11 and 12, 2013

All Elementary Schools

for MCPS students enrolled at the school

For more information visit:

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/emergency/flu/>
www.montgomerycountymd.gov/flu



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 to the school-based SSL coordinator according to timelines. Mrs. Arnold is our SSL Coordinator.
- 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?

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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.




Noteworthy

National History Day.

Each year, JPMS sends several student projects to the National History Day competition, and many of our students have earned recognition for their work. All interested students are invited to a preliminary interest meeting after school on Wednesday, October 23. Amy Federman, one of the History Day judges, will give a presentation to students about History Day and answer questions. Participation in National History Day is a great resume item for students interested in one of the special programs at Poolesville High School. Mark your calendars for the 23rd and look for more information in next week's *Back Pocket*.

Thomas Edison High School of Technology Tours



TEHS in Silver Spring is pleased to announce the dates for our Middle School tours for 2013-14 school year! Every year we are pleased to host middle school 8th graders from around the county.

The “*Seeing Is Believing*” *Middle School Tours* provides an opportunity for Grade 8 students in Montgomery County to see **Edison's** eighteen different career and technical programs.

Grade 8 students will soon be mapping out their **Four Year Plans** for high school, and it is especially important for them to have a strong snapshot of the pathways **Edison** offers. These tours are designed to help your students see the big picture and how **Edison** can fit into their **Four Year Plans**.

Tour Dates: Wednesday, November 13, 2013; **Thursday**, November 14, 2013; or **Friday**, November 15, 2013. **Times:** Edison Session 1: 8:15 - 9:00 AM OR 9:15 – 10:00 AM; Edison Session 2: 11:20 – 12:05 PM OR 12:15 – 1:00 PM.

Contact the JPMS Counseling Office for additional information.

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.

“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

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

Sign Up for the 2013 Flu Vaccine Clinics

The Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will conduct free nasal spray flu vaccine (FluMist) clinics in November for children 18 and under at various Montgomery County public schools (MCPS).

On Friday, November 1, 2013, flu clinics will be held at John F. Kennedy, Richard Montgomery, and Seneca Valley high schools from 9:00 a.m. to noon. No classes will be held on that day because it is a professional day for teachers. These clinics will be open to any school-aged child.

All MCPS elementary schools will host a flu clinic on either Monday, November 11, or Tuesday, November 12, 2013, following early dismissal of students on those days.

**Monocacy Elementary School's clinic is scheduled for November 11;
Poolesville Elementary's clinic will be November 12.**

All clinics are free, but registration is required due to limited vaccine supplies.

For more information about the upcoming clinics and the FluMist, visit the following websites: <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/emergency/flu/>
<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/flu>

Both the injectable seasonal flu vaccine and nasal spray flu vaccine will be available, at no charge, at other DHHS flu clinics at various locations in the county, October through December. Visit <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/flu> or call 311 for county locations. The Flu vaccine also may be available from your health care provider.

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.



Running Club is coming!

The following dates are scheduled for this activity:

November 6, 13, and 20; December 4, 11, and 18; January 8, 15, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, 19, and 26; March 5

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).

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.

Magnet Dates

Event	Date	Time	Location
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		

See You Monday at Open House!



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Workforce Development & Continuing Education

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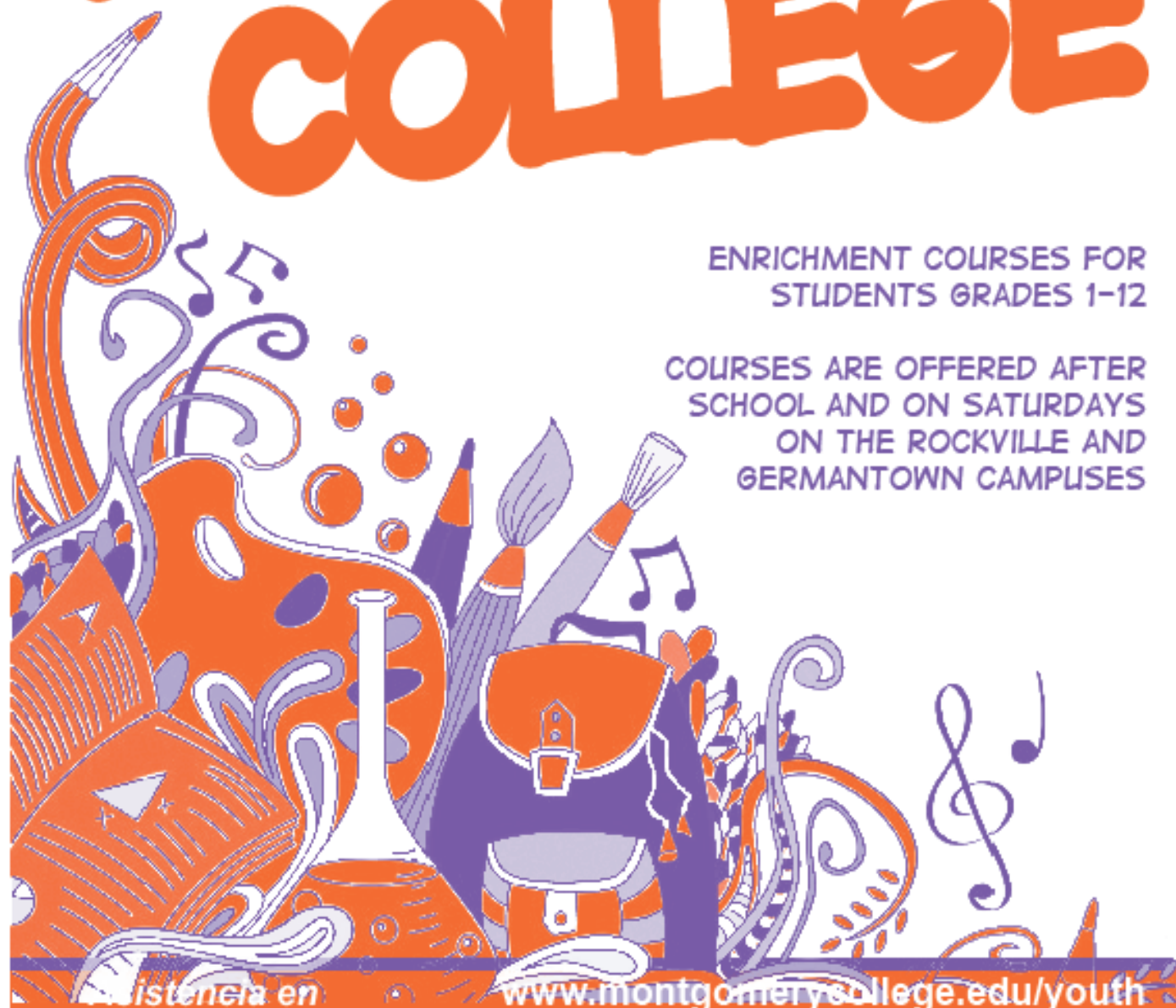
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ON THE ROCKVILLE AND
GERMANTOWN CAMPUSES



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240-567-7917 or 240-567-7264

Save the Date!



Important events you won't want to miss!

October 14	Columbus Day – OPEN HOUSE
October 18	MSTA Conference – <u>No School for Students/Teachers</u>
October 24	Yearbook Portraits – Makeups
October 31	End of First Marking Period
November 1	Professional Day – <u>No School for Students and Teachers</u>
November 3	Daylight Savings Time Ends – Clocks Move Forward 1 Hour

Softball Schedule

Boys' Coach: Bill Cartwright

Girls' Coach: Jami Earle

October 15	Girls play Rocky Hill at JPMS (2:50 p.m.)
October 15	Boys play Rocky Hill at Rocky Hill (3:15 p.m.)

Coed Cross Country Schedule

Coach: Steven Schmidt

October 15	JPMS at Rocky Hill (3:15 p.m.)
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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 pronunciara 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.

PHS NEWS

Go Falcons!



PSAT - Wednesday, October 16 for grades 9 - 11 This is the Merit Scholarship qualifying test for Juniors.

- Testing will be followed by an abbreviated class schedule, beginning with lunch at 10:50 a.m. and continuing with periods 6 through 8 and extended day.
- Buses will run at their regularly scheduled times.
- **Only 12th grade students** have the option of a **delayed opening** that morning.

Food Drive October 23 - 31

Dig Pink Campaign Volleyball Game and Fundraiser Monday, October 21, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

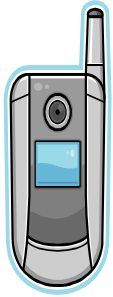
Come promote Breast Cancer awareness and family support. Wear something pink!

Athletic Schedule (partial)

Boys Varsity Football:	10/18/2013	6:30 PM (H)	PHS vs. Brunswick
	10/25/13	6:30 PM (A)	PHS vs. Wheaton (game played at Blair HS)
	11/1/13	6:30 PM (H)	PHS vs. Boonesboro
	11/8/13	6:30 PM (A)	PHS vs. Rockville
Girls Varsity Soccer:	10/12/2013	12:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Wheaton
	10/15/2012	5:00 PM (H)	PHS vs. Seneca Valley
	10/17/2013	5:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Rockville
	10/22/2013	5:00 PM (H)	PHS vs. Churchill
Boys Varsity Soccer:	10/12/2013	10:00 AM (A)	PHS vs. Wheaton
	10/15/2012	7:00 PM (H)	PHS vs. Seneca Valley
	10/17/2013	7:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Rockville
	10/22/2013	7:00 PM (H)	PHS vs. Churchill
Girls Varsity Volleyball:	10/16/2013	6:30 PM (H)	PHS vs. Einstein
	10/18/2013	6:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Wootton
	10/21/2013	6:30 PM (H)	PHS vs. BCC
	10/23/2013	6:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Springbrook
	10/25/2013	6:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Richard Montgomery
Field Hockey Varsity:	10/14/2013	7:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Rockville
	10/16/2013	7:00 PM (A)	PHS vs. Quince Orchard

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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**

