

Dr. Worthington Brock's Message

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This is the last issue of *Paw Prints* before I retire as of July 1, 2024. It has been my honor to serve you as Principal for the past 19 years. I have held Baker Middle School in the highest regard, committed to doing what is best for students and their families. With world-class Staff, we have prepared children for the rigors and joys of life. Middle school is only a three year period of time, but to me, those are the most precious years. Students enter into sixth grade as young children, and they leave us as eighth graders as young adults. I could not be more proud of the accomplishments Baker Middle School has achieved in the almost two decades I have been Principal. I am looking forward to retirement with my new husband, and our families together. Know that Damascus will always be in my heart.

8th Grade Promotion

The **Promotion Ceremony** for Baker's 8th Grade students is scheduled for **8:45-9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, June 12, 2024**. The ceremony will be held outside in front of the school, rain or shine. **Parents, guardians, siblings, and any other guests need to provide their own seating.**

If **6th and 7th grade siblings** would like to watch their 8th grade sibling's promotion ceremony they **must bring in a signed note from their parents/guardians no later than noon on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, requesting that they be released from other activities on promotion day. 6th and 7th grade siblings must be under the supervision of a parent/guardian or a designee of the parent/guardian during the Promotion Ceremony.** 6th and 7th grade siblings will be responsible for keeping track of time — no announcements or other reminders will be made.

An **8th Grade Post-Promotion Plan** Google form was sent to parents/guardians of 8th graders via ConnectEd on May 31. We ask that you take a few minutes to complete this form so that we can plan for lunches and coverages on that day.

Baker Middle School: End of the Year Parent/Family Survey

When you respond to each question, please consider your responses within the framework of this academic school year (2023-2024). https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfT3F4UhL_mvhb_2a5zZHDBKMGbz3nD8i7R-9saPDymZvLL8g/viewform?usp=sf_link

Update to Our School's Technology Plan

John T. Baker will return to the Chromebook Cart model for the coming 2024–2025 school year. All students must turn in their MCPS-assigned Chromebook and a charger prior to the end of the school year. 8th grade students will turn in their devices on Friday, June 7. 6th and 7th grade students will turn in their devices on Monday, June 10, and Tuesday, June 11. Any missing or damaged devices will result in a financial obligation.



Looking Ahead

Monday, June 10

6th/7th Gr. Chromebook/Charger turn-in
8th Grade Promotion Rehearsal and
8th Grade Locker Clean-Out

Emergency Virtual PTA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

[https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/93677883016?](https://mcpsmd.zoom.us/j/93677883016?pwd=d01Kc201WkVGSmdYYlJ1UVRWUDJJCQT09)

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ID 936 7788 3016 Code Bulldog

Phone 1-301-715-8592

Tuesday, June 11

8th Grade Field Trip to 4th Dimension
6th/7th Gr. Chromebook/Charger turn-in
6th and 7th Grade Locker Clean-Out

Wednesday, June 12

8th Grade Promotion Ceremony, 8:45 a.m.
6th Grade Field Day

Thursday, June 13

End of MP4 and Semester 2
Last day of school for students – Baker
dismisses at 12:30 p.m.



SEE Something → SAY Something
Maryland Safe School Hotline Number
1-833-MD-B-SAFE / 1-833-632-7233

SEE SOMETHING? HEAR SOMETHING? SAY SOMETHING!

A Message from the Health Room — Vision and Hearing Screenings

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Vision and Hearing screenings were held at your child's school on June 3rd-5th. All children enrolled in Grade 8 were screened for hearing and vision if they were in school on the screening days.

If you did not receive this referral form in the US Mail and your child was present on the screening day, then your child passed.

If your child did not pass the screening, a referral letter has been mailed to you via U.S. mail. The letter has screening results and information on follow-up.

School based vision screenings may not detect every vision problem. To learn more about possible vision problems and symptoms or health conditions that may require additional evaluation go to Montgomery County Government's website.

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS-Program/PHS/SchoolHealth/HearingVision.html>

Contact your school's nurse if you have questions about your child's screening.

Un mensaje desde la sala de salud: exámenes de visión y audición

Estimados Padres/Apoderados,

Completamos las evaluaciones de vista y audición en la escuela de su hijo(a) en las siguientes fechas Junio 3-5th.

Todos los estudiantes que asistieron a la escuela esos días y que están inscritos en el grado 8 fueron evaluados.

Si su hijo(a) no paso la evaluación, usted debe de haber recibido un formulario por medio del correo postal haciéndole saber que su hijo(a) no pasó y los resultados específicos de vista y audición de su hijo(a), como también que hacer con esa información.

Si usted no recibió el formulario con la referencia por medio del correo postal y su hijo(a) estuvo presente en la escuela el día del chequeo, **su hijo(a) pasó la evaluación.**

Es posible que las evaluaciones escolares de vista y audición no detecten todos los problemas de la vista. Para averiguar más sobre los posibles problemas de vista y síntomas, o condiciones de salud que pueden requerir de exámenes adicionales visite el sitio de web del Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos del Condado de Montgomery, en el siguiente enlace:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS-Program/PHS/SchoolHealth/HearingVision.html>

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de la evaluación de su hijo(a) por favor póngase en contacto con la enfermera escolar.

MCPS Back-to-School Fair

SAVE THE DATE!!!
All MCPS students and families are invited to
KICK OFF THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!

- » Learn about the school system, and county programs and services.
- » Enjoy free music, entertainment, giveaways and youth activities!
- » Free immunization clinic and more.

Free shuttle transportation available!

VISIT & BOOKMARK



Check for additional updates and details as they become available.

Mark YOUR Calendars!
We hope to see you there!

Saturday, August 24, 2024
10 a.m.-1 p.m. @ Westfield Wheaton

11160 Viers Mill Road, Wheaton, MD 20902

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/community-engagement/fair/

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SAVE THE DATE!!!
¡Todos los estudiantes y familias de MCPS están invitados a
CELEBRAR EL INICIO DEL CICLO ESCOLAR 2024-2025!

- » Aprendan sobre el sistema escolar y los programas y servicios del condado.
- » ¡Disfruten de música, entretenimiento, sorteos y actividades para jóvenes gratis!
- » Clínica de inmunización gratuita y más.

¡Transporte gratuito en autobús disponible!

VISITEN & GUARDEEN



Revisen para estar al tanto de actualizaciones y detalles adicionales a medida que estén disponibles.

¡Marquen SUS calendarios!
¡Esperamos verlos ahí!

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\$20 provides a student with a backpack and basic supplies.
All donors are recognized on the MCPS website.

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Escuela elemental **\$6,500** Grado **\$2,500** Clase **\$300** Estudiante **\$20**
\$20 provee a un estudiante con una mochila y útiles escolares básicos.
Todos los donantes recibirán reconocimiento en el sitio web de MCPS.

ENVÍE SU CHEQUE A: MCPS Educational Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 1007, Rockville, MD 20849-1007

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CAMPAMENTO DE CODIFICACIÓN DE COMPUTADORES DE VERANO GRATUITO PARA LOS ESTUDIANTES DE 6, 7 Y 8 GRADO



Campers in the program will learn to code with Swift, Apple's easy-to-understand programming language used by professional developers to create world class apps. Students will complete creative projects with an established curriculum to learn Swift from coding experts.

Montgomery Can Code is an annual free and fun summer camp held in July and August for any MCPS rising 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students.

Learn More [https://](https://https://forms.gle/)

REGISTER NOW

Sign up [here](https://forms.gle/) or contact your school counselor.

SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

In-Person from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm (full day) offered at all three (3) Montgomery College campuses (Germantown, Rockville, and Takoma Park)

Boot Camp 1 – Monday – Friday, July 15 – 19

Boot Camp 2 – Monday - Friday, July 22 – 26

Virtually on Zoom from 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm (half day)

Boot Camp 3 – Monday – Friday, July 29 – August 2



For more information, learn more at montgomerycancode.com or email montgomerycancode@mcpsmd.org



Los estudiantes aprenderán a codificar con Swift, el lenguaje de programación fácil de aprender de Apple. Durante el programa, los estudiantes completarán proyectos creativos con un plan de estudios establecido para aprender Swift.

Montgomery Can Code es un campamento de verano anual gratuito y divertido programado en Julio y Agosto para cualquier estudiante de MCPS que ingrese a los grados 6, 7 y 8.

Aprende Más [https://](https://https://forms.gle/)

REGISTRATE AHORA

Regístrate [aquí](https://forms.gle/) o contacta a tu consejero escolar.

HORARIO DEL CAMPAMENTO DE VERANO

En persona de 9:00 a.m. a 3:30 p.m. (día completo)

Campamento 1 – Lunes – Viernes, 15 – 19 de Julio

Campamento 2 – Lunes – Viernes, 22 – 26 de Julio

Ofrecido en las tres (3) localizaciones de Montgomery College (Germantown, Rockville y Takoma Park)

Virtualmente en Zoom de 1:00 p.m. a 3:30 p.m. (medio día)

Campamento 3 – Lunes – Viernes, 29 de Julio – 2 de Agosto



Para obtener más información, entre a: montgomerycancode.com o en español por correo electrónico a montgomerycancode@mcpsmd.org.





CLASSIC CAR CRUISE-IN

SATURDAY, JULY 6TH

10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
(in the Damascus Weis parking lot)

Brought to you by:

- Damascus Weis
- Heart of Maryland Classic Chevy Club
- Community Pantry of Montgomery UM Church

Including:

- Hot Dogs and Chips (donations to Community Pantry welcome)
- 50/50 Heart of Maryland Raffle & Tee shirt sale

Please bring donated canned goods to the Community Pantry trailer to be used to stock local food banks.