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October 20, 2024

Good evening, Burtonsville Families!

Mark your calendars...

10/23 - 5th Grade to Strathmore

10/25 - Mental Health/Wellness Day

10/25 - PTA Sponsored Trunk or Treat

10/28 - Red-Ribbon Week (details coming soon)

11/4 - Grading/Planning - no school for students

11/5 - Election Day - School is CLOSED

School and Community News...

★ October 21 - 25th is **Mental Health Awareness Week**. Burtonsville ES students and staff will engage in a week of wellness activities and invite you to join us on **Friday, October 25th** to lead or participate in a **Day of Wellness**. We are still looking for volunteers to help support different wellness stations. Use [this Sign-Up Genius link](#) to volunteer. [Read more about the county-sponsored fair below.](#)

★ Looking ahead... **Parent-teacher conferences** will be held at the end of November. If you have not signed up for a time to meet with your child's teacher, please contact them to do so. Read, "Preparing for Parent-Teacher Conferences" to get ready. [English](#) | [Español](#) / [中文](#) / [Français](#) / [tiếng Việt](#) / [한국어](#) / [ភាសាខ្មែរ](#) / [Portuguese](#)

Reminder: Union Church (located at Paint Branch High School on Sundays) wants to be a blessing to you and your family by kicking off the holiday season with everything you need to prepare a Thanksgiving dinner for the family. Complete this [form](#) to receive a Thanksgiving Meal Kit. The Thanksgiving Meal Kit would include mac & cheese, boxed mashed potatoes, canned yams/sweet potatoes, canned cranberry sauce, canned corn, canned green beans, corn muffins/cornbread, stuffing, gravy, and a \$25 Grocery Gift Card. **Deadline: October 29th**

A Message from our PTA...

BrainPOP Fundraiser is underway! Please submit your BrainPOP donations by November 1st. Donations of any amount are appreciated and can be submitted in the envelope that was provided or online at www.burtonsvillepta.org/brain-pop. Any class that raises \$100 or more will have a dance party. Don't forget, the highest fundraiser wins a PS5!

Trunk or Treat is on Friday, October 25, 2024, from 5:00 – 6:30 pm. Please consider decorating your vehicle, donating candy, or volunteering for this SPOOKtacular event! There will be free games, a moon bounce, and popcorn sponsored by KAH. Please register at www.burtonsvillepta.org/event-details/bes-trunk-or-treat-2024-2025 or email burtonsvillepta@gmail.com if you have any questions.

The **PTA urgently needs candy donations for Trunk or Treat**—any contribution is greatly appreciated! Candy can be sent in with your student (labeled PTA) or dropped off with a PTA member at parent drop-off or pick-up on Wednesday, October 23, 2024. If you have any questions, please email us at burtonsvillepta@gmail.com

The 2024-2025 yearbook is underway and we need your photos! **Please submit photos** from your child's first day of school and any photos from the Back to School Bash. You may upload photos at <https://plicbooks.com/go/348EF8>

MCPS News...

Things to know this week in MCPS... Fall Theatre & Dance Schedules, Mental Health Awareness Fair, Marking Remembrance and Reconciliation Month, and more! Read here: [Things to Know](#).

"Let's end the stigma. Let's talk about mental health" **Mental Health Awareness Week - October 21 - 26** - All community members are invited to a Mental Health Fair on Saturday, October 26th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The event is open to students, families, and staff and will include MCPS and community partners sharing information about mental health and wellness; as well as a student-led forum focusing on issues impacting Montgomery County youth. Students may earn Student Service Learning hours for participation in the Resource Fair. Get further details in the flier linked here → [English](#) | [español](#) | [中文](#) | [français](#) | [tiếng Việt](#) | [한국어](#) | [አማርኛ](#) | [Portuguese](#)

New - FALL 2024 Parent Academy TO GO! Student, Family, and School Services is very excited to provide "Parent Academy TO GO," a series of virtual presentations for families to participate and view at home. Learn more about the different workshops offered and how to register [here](#).

Reminder - Social Studies Curriculum Night: The Social Studies team is hosting a series of Curriculum Night webinars for families to learn more about how social studies is taught in MCPS and how its kindergarten through 11th-grade curricula incorporate the history of various ethnic and cultural groups. The webinars will be held from 6:30–7:30 p.m. Thursday, **October 24 webinar: [Arab History](#)**. Read [here](#) for more details and future webinar links to join.

MCPS is seeking input about the 2025–2026 school year calendar! Please take a moment to complete the [MCPS School Calendar Feedback Survey](#). Your input will be used to select the first and last day of school, as well as other important dates for the coming school year.

Looking for Tutoring? Registration for the George B. Thomas Sr. Learning Academy, Inc., also known as [Saturday School](#), is open for the 2024–2025 school year. Saturday School provides K–12 academic support programs in math and English/Language Arts.

Saturday School Scholarships are available - If you are a parent or guardian of a student enrolled at Burtonsville Elementary with a disability (SWD), who receives free and reduced meals (FARMS), and/or is an emergent multilingual learner (EML) you could qualify to receive one of the three allotted scholarships provided by the Learning Academy. Contact the school at 240-740-5700 or send a message of interest to your child’s teacher to be considered.

Regular registration for Saturday School, Grades 1–12 is [here](#) (English) and [here](#) (en Español). Kindergarten registration is [here](#) (English) and [here](#) (en Español). For an additional cost of \$150 for a five-week session, Saturday School also offers classes in [Coding and Robotics](#) (English) and [here](#) (en Español). Call 301-287-8980 for general information.

Transportation: [MCPS Department of Transportation](#)

- West Farm Upper Bus Depot: 240-740-7361 | Transportation Updates: [Route Status](#)
- Burtonsville ES Bus Routes: [Arrival](#) | [Departure](#)

Food & Nutrition: - [Division of Food & Nutrition Svcs](#) (DFNS)

Lunch Menu - [October](#)

Yours In Service,

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